

Park and St Peter's Post

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'Let Your Light Shine' Matthew 5.16



Let your light shine BRIGHT....!

Over the last few months there has been some songwriting at St Peters. Our young people have been busily writing songs with a really serious theme-Anti-Bullying! The songs have taken on all forms, from a slow ballad to some really upbeat pop hits. The themes have ranged from supporting each other on the playground, world peace. Empathy and understanding. It has been quite the adventure!

These wonderful songs were entered into the Notivate Northamptonshire Antibullying Songwriting competition.

The Notivate charity has been in existence for a number of years in Northamptonshire.

The Notivate Trust exists to inspire, support and encourage children and young people through music, by providing them with teachers, resources and opportunities that enable them to explore, develop and achieve their God-given potential in a suitable environment with people they can trust.



Songs have been written all over the county for the competition, which culminated in a star-studded and exciting live final at the Spinney Theatre, Northampton-in front of 300 family and guest!



Our young people were lucky enough to have four songs selected to perform at the final. We were the only school to have multiple finalists-out of the ten selected songs-St Peter's provided 4 wonderful songs!



Alice's song asked for Peace for the World. Monster by Tamara and Bella Yr 4 (sung by Rosie, Isabelle, Indie, Megan, Bella and Tamara) was all about a monster on the playground-and how they were going to change it by loving it! Hey You by Alissia and Willow was an inspired song showing empathy and support for those going through bullying. Don't be a bully by Darci, Lillie, Harlow & Willow told us how to stand up proud against bullying. They are all great songs-all brilliantly written with a great message.



The young songwriters performed brilliantly on the night-really bringing their songs to life-performing with a brilliant band of professional musicians-just a wonderful experience for everyone.

I am sure the parents and families who came along to support the girls were as blown away and proud of our stars as the staff who were there to share in the moment.

The winning song was performed by the Redwell Primary School choir-a really lovely school song-well performed with a great message.



Our girls were incredible, we are so proud of them and we know that they will be inspired to keep writing songs and to keep performing-who knows, maybe next year one of our young people will write the winning song?!

Thank you to those parents, families and staff members that gave up their Friday night to come and watch and support-we could not be prouder of our stars, who really let their light shine!



Mental health week....



At the end of the last term, both schools engaged fully in Children’s Mental Health Week. The work from this was vital, putting the mental health needs of everyone at the heart of what we do. Both schools used this week’s theme to explore how we can look after each other and ourselves, this included strategies we could use to manage our own mental health, ideas for supporting others and how to stay safe online.



It was such a powerful week and the children really had a week of self-learning. The outcomes of this can be seen in both schools. Both schools developed floor books capturing the evidence of the learning and Park went even further by changing the displays around the school-showing the learning journey our youngest learners have been on. The children worked hard and the staff have worked really hard to get the work up on the walls recording this very important week.

Help...



The Local Committee of Park and St Peters (often known as the governors) is a small group of people who support the schools by going in regularly, talking to children and getting to know how the schools work and operate. We desperately need a couple more people to join us? Would you be able to? No

experience necessary, just an interest and willingness to make Park and St Peter's the best schools they can possibly be.

If you think you might have a few hours every term please drop me an email and we can talk a bit more about the role.

Thank you
Julie Barke Chair of the Local
Committee
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Parents evenings...

A reminder.....

This term's Parents Evening Bookings are open! Please book your slots now! The schools will be operating two nights of parents evenings-week beginning 18th March! Please see the email communications from both schools and please book your parents evening slots now!

New term, new values...

This week, both schools adopt their new values for the term.....

Curiosity

Raunds Park Infants will be learning all about being curious. Curiosity and interest in the world around them, being the best person they can be and being curious about people we meet and places we can go!

Forgiveness

St Peter's will be learning all about the Christian value of forgiveness and how it can be used to live a happy and fulfilling life. There are many examples in the Bible where forgiveness is demonstrated, and we will be learning how to be more forgiving and understanding of others this term.

Any help you can give with pre-teaching these values with your children would be really beneficial and I hope this enables

you to have some brilliant family conversations at home too!

Athletes shine their light...



St Peter's have some exceptional athletes! Last week, they had the opportunity to compete against schools from across the county!

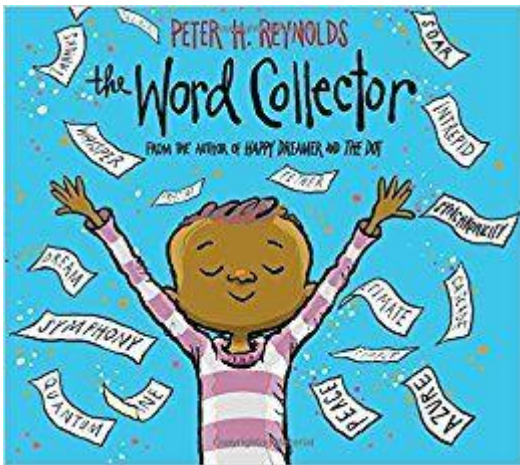
What a brilliant morning the athletics team have had. They performed so wonderfully well and showed such passion and teamwork. They finished 6th out of the entire county. 🙌

They should be very proud of themselves. 😊

World Book Day...

World Book Day is an annual event that we love to celebrate in school. The 7th of March is fast approaching and we are busy planning exciting activities for your children to take part in. There is sometimes a pressure put on parents and families as they try to think of outfits for children, so the idea behind this is to make it as simple and easy for you to organise something for the children to wear.





PARK:

We would love it if the children could dress up as a word eg: colourful, sparkly, sporty, amazing, or even as their favourite food. You can be as creative as you like! I am sure there will be many ideas online to support this thinking as we are not the only school to consider dressing up as a word!

We can then share our words as a class and extend our reading vocabulary, ensuring World Book Day has a real impact! If our children to come to school with the most interesting word and definition they can find-we all benefit! Realistically this does give our families a lot of room for creativity and children can come in their favourite outfit-as long as they can say the word that they represent!

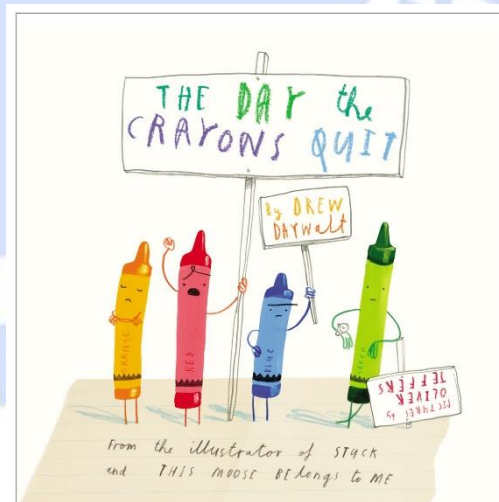
Our children don't have to dress up! They can just have it written down or they can be creative and make it into a poster or picture.

Here are some ideas...

Word	Outfit
Sleepy	Pyjamas and a teddy
Sporty	Sports kit
Stripey	Stripes
Dotty	Spots
Happy	Lots of yellows and happy faces!

Mysterious/scary	Black outfit with scary face!
Funny/crazy	Mash up of silly clashing outfits
Colourful	Lots of colours
Adventurous /heroic	Dress up as a character from a film/book
Furry/fluffy	Furry animal costume
Musical	A favourite song or artist
Arty	As a painter with a smock and paint all over them

So, for World Book Day-please can you child come dressed as a word!



St Peter's:

We encourage children to dress up on the day and represent their favourite book character whilst bringing their favourite book into school to share with the class and their friends. This year we would also like to give the children the opportunity – if they are struggling to

come up with a character – to come dressed in a colour to represent one of the crayons in the story, The Day the Crayons Quit, that way everyone has the opportunity to take part if they wish to.

Book tokens will be given out to the children in school and are redeemable at a number of places including Asda.

Next week's dates...

W/B 4.3.24

Monday:

Parent evening bookings open!

St Peter's: Collective worship

Park: 3.15-4.30 Multi skills club

Tuesday:

St Peter's: Experience Easter at the church!

Park: 1.00pm dental health check for the identified children

Wednesday:

St Peter's: Experience Easter at the church!

St Peter's: Piano lessons

Park: 3.15-4.30 Multi skills club

Thursday:

BOTH SCHOOLS-WORLD BOOK DAY!!!

St Peter's Diocese visit

Park: Morning Assembly

Friday:

Park Values VIP Assembly,

St Peter's Swimming for year 5

St Peter's: Celebration Collective Worship

Attendance...

(National average is 94%)

<i>Park</i>	
All students	93.5%
Eagles	93.9%
Kingfishers	95.7%
Sparrows	96.2%
Puffins	88.5%
Red Kites	95.9%
Robins	92.8%
<i>St Peter's</i>	
All Students	95.7%
St George	95.7%
St Christopher	96.7%
St Martha	96.4%
St Andrew	91.4%
St Mary	92.3%
St Cecilia	88.6%
St David	93.2%
St Patrick	92.9%

This week's messages....

Join us for the



Saturday 30th March 2024
 Meet at the Saxon Hall at 10am
 For more information email info@raunds-tc.gov.uk
 or call 01933 622087









HOLIDAY ACTIVITY FUND

Easter Programme

What is HAF?

The Holiday Activity Fund (HAF) is a funded opportunity for children to access fun, creative and active holiday camps for FREE this Easter, with lunch provided!

Children who are eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) can attend the camps for FREE with a code from their school. Children who are not eligible for FSM can also access the camps for £20 a day. To book your child's place, please scan the QR code.

Week One

Dates: Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th April
 Times: 9am to 3pm
 Venue 1: Sixfields Stadium, NN5 5QA
 Venue 2: Kingswood Children's Centre, NN18 9HU

Week Two

Dates: Monday 8th to Thursday 11th April
 Times: 9am to 3pm
 Venue 1: Sixfields Stadium, NN5 5QA
 Venue 2: Kingswood Children's Centre, NN18 9HU





St Peter's Church, Raunds

Our next Messy Church will be
Saturday 2nd March
3pm – 5pm

Crafts

Worship



Games

Food

Family Fun



FREE TO ATTEND

Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

WE ARE BACK!

Sunday 10th March 2024 - Celebrating International Women's Day



NORTHAMPTON TOWN WOMEN

VS

SPORTING KHALSA WOMEN



2pm / Sixfields Stadium / FA Women's National League Division One Midlands



Over 18s - £5 (online), £7 (on day)
 8-17 year olds - £3 (online), £4 (on day)
 Under 7s - FREE
 NTFC Women Season Ticket Holders - FREE
 NTFC Men Season Ticket Holders - HALF-PRICE



Tickets are available at ntfdirect.co.uk and the ticket office.

