



Dear Parents and Carers,

We survived the week with Blue Monday and I hope some of you noticed a random act of kindness I challenged the children to complete at home! We're definitely back in the swing of things and it's been a very busy week in school. The footballers campaigned at county finals, the archers learnt a new skill and the hockey team faced tough opposition. We've lots to look forward to next week and some exciting news! Continue reading to find out more...

### **Nursery News**

We've continued enjoying the story of The Snow Queen this week and have made some paper chain reindeer. We've also enjoyed the story of the Gruffalo's Child and created our own characters out of playdoh, buttons, pipe cleaners and our unique creativity. We've used our hands to make white polar bears and have enjoyed looking at the children's 'Winter' items in their treasure boxes. In Nursery we enjoy learning about different countries and cultures and this week we've started thinking about Australia, and thinking about the clothing we need for hot and cold countries. The children enjoyed making Koalas this week in our cooking session, using rice cakes, cutting a circle shape out of bread and thinking about where their eyes, ears, nose, arms and feet would go!

### **RHE Parent Meetings**

Mrs Butler and I will be hosting two sessions next week on Wednesday morning (*8.45am in the Cedar Hub*) and in the afternoon (*4.30pm in the School Hall*) for any parent (*Year 1 to Year 6*) that would like to know more about our Relationships and Health Curriculum. All of our policies and overviews have been shared with you already and we're happy to send these and more information to you if you can't make the meetings and you're interested in finding out more. The meetings will be an opportunity for you to ask questions and to see what and how we deliver this statutory part of the curriculum. I'd like to remind everyone that we do not teach Sex Education in primary school. This is RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) and is taught at secondary schools but optional for primary schools.

### **We're Going On Tour!**

Breaking news! All Year 3 to Year 6 pupils will be performing for two nights at the Masque Theatre, a musical extravaganza for your delight. More information will be coming out soon, including how to purchase tickets. Put the dates in your diary as it's sure to be a sellout - Thursday 24th and Friday 25th March. The children will find out in the next week about the show,



their parts, and be given CDs and scripts to practise. Please help them with this at home as we don't have long. This will be such a valuable experience for the children. Performing promotes literacy skills, teamwork, creativity and confidence. The first lesson will be being grateful if you get the part you want and congratulating your friends when the parts are announced. We're all really excited to get started with auditions and rehearsals. Lower School and Nursery families are encouraged to get their tickets too as it will be a family friendly show. If anyone out there happens to be a seamstress, make-up artist or set painter, please get in touch!

### **Farewell and Good Luck Mrs Jordan**

Next week, we will be saying a fond farewell to Mrs Jordan in Nursery. She has worked in Sunnylands for many years and she will be missed. She is pursuing a slightly different path, still caring for others, starting a new role at Kettering Hospital.

Next week is all about Netball as our girls face Brooke Priory and our mixed team head to Bishop for a district tournament. Good luck! We also send our best wishes to two Year 5 pupils who are racing at the County Cross Country finals tomorrow morning at Abington Park. Race well runners! Have a wonderful weekend everyone.

Regards,

**Mr Thomas**

Headteacher

Here is next week's menu: <https://www.st-peters.org.uk/page/?title=Weekly+Menus&pid=112>