

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm writing this whilst drying off and warming up after a chilly couple of days. Although the sun is now shining and the snowmen have melted.

Next Friday is Red Nose Day

All children are invited to wear home clothes or Red Nose Day (RND) merchandise for a small donation on the day. The School Council will be on the gate in the morning with buckets. Please don't panic if your child doesn't have anything specifically RND, they can just wear their normal clothes. School uniforms are fine too! The children will be doing RND activities in classes during the day. We won't be selling any RND products in school but I'm informed that this year, recyclable, plastic-free noses are available through Amazon.

Nursery News

This week in nursery we have been following one child's deep interest in recycling by setting up Sunnylands' Recycling Center. Amid much discussion of what and how we can achieve this the children have worked together to identify and sort paper, card, plastic and clothes into different bins and then find out what happens next at the recycling plant. Using recycled card from cereal boxes the children have created beautiful pictures of the earth using icing sugar and pipette painting. The unexpected snow prompted lots of in the moment planning. This is when children engage in activities they have chosen for themselves, they become highly involved and then deep learning can take place. In order to support this we try to follow the children's interests as much as possible. The children enjoyed rolling, shaping and patting the snow to construct snowmen and snowballs; making, counting and comparing the size of footprints, and discussing how snow feels: cold, wet, soft. Exploring the snow continued indoors when we filled the water tray with snow and used the pipettes to add drops of different colours. The children were immersed in their play as they experimented with mixing colours and discussed how the snow changes state from solid to liquid as it warms up!

Snow Days & Winter Wear

Everyone in school had lots of fun on Thursday when the whole school was covered in a blanket of white. The sound of children rolling snowballs and building snowmen could be heard from afar. It also recreated traditional scenes from years gone by, with socks drying on radiators and coats dripping dry in the changing rooms - what precious memories were made.

PTA Mother's Day Scavenger Hunt

Next Friday is the PTA scavenger hunt. Similar to last year, families can explore the grounds on a hunt for clues against the clock. We hope you can join us at some point after school.

St P's Umbrellas

The weather is certainly unreliable, but the new St Peter's school umbrellas are both storm-proof and reliable. These are available from the School Office or through ParentMail. They are a quality, large umbrella in school colours, with a hardwood handle - perfect for wet fixtures, Games afternoons or waiting at school pick-up.

Battle of the Bard

Upper School pupils are performing Shakespeare at the Toller Church. Tickets are selling fast. Make sure you get yours! This is a family-friendly show on Thursday 23rd March and Friday 24th March at the Toller Church in the town centre. Bring your friends. The Upper School children will stay after school both nights and we'll transport them to the theatre and give them a picnic tea. The show will finish between 7.15pm and 7.30pm and all children will

need to be collected from the theatre if you're not in the audience. We won't be bringing them back to school! For those who have seen previous St P's performances you'll know just how incredible our talent is.

Have a lovely weekend everyone. Bonne chance à l'Angleterre dans le rugby.

Regards,

Mr Thomas

Headteacher

Here is next week's menu: www.st-peters.org.uk/menu