

St Peter's Catholic Academy



**Together,
One Family, One Community
in Christ**

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**January
Newsletter**



Welcome Back

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy new year to you all!

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school and to see them return for the new term full of enthusiasm for learning and kindness for their friends – I am sure we have a very special term ahead.

Last week, we wished a fond farewell to Mrs. Kelsall who is taking up an exciting new position at St. Margaret Ward – we are all very pleased for her and wish her the best of luck in her new role, as well as thanking her for her hard work and dedication over her years at St. Peter's.

We also wish a warm welcome to our new safeguarding and family support officer, Mrs. Taylor, who joins us from another primary school in the city with a wealth of experience – I am sure we will all make her feel very welcome.

Mrs. Hackney has now taken up her position as Acting Vice Principal and has already been a tremendous support as I settle in.

Finally, I would like to take the opportunity to say thank you to you, your children and the whole community for making me feel so welcome. It is a pleasure to be part of such an amazing school with such respectful children and I am very much looking forward to the future.

All the best and God bless,

Mr. Hodgson
Principal

Mastering Number Workshops

Thank you to all of the parents in Reception, Year One and Year Two who came into school for the Mastering Number workshops and had the opportunity to see how Maths is taught in school, as well as how best to support their children with homework.

Homework is an essential part of children's learning. Studies show that children who complete homework achieve higher, so thank you to all parents for your continued support with your children's home learning.



African Dance Workshop



We are very excited to welcome back Mrs. Pattison to St. Peter's, who is currently running an amazing African Dance Workshop after school on Thursdays (3:00 – 4:15) this term.

The children will be learning a variety of traditional dances and will get the chance to perform their

final dance the New Vic theatre – an amazing opportunity. Having seen what they have been able to learn after just one week, I can't wait to see their final performance. Keep it up guys!

Super Science News!

Year 6 investigate fossils:

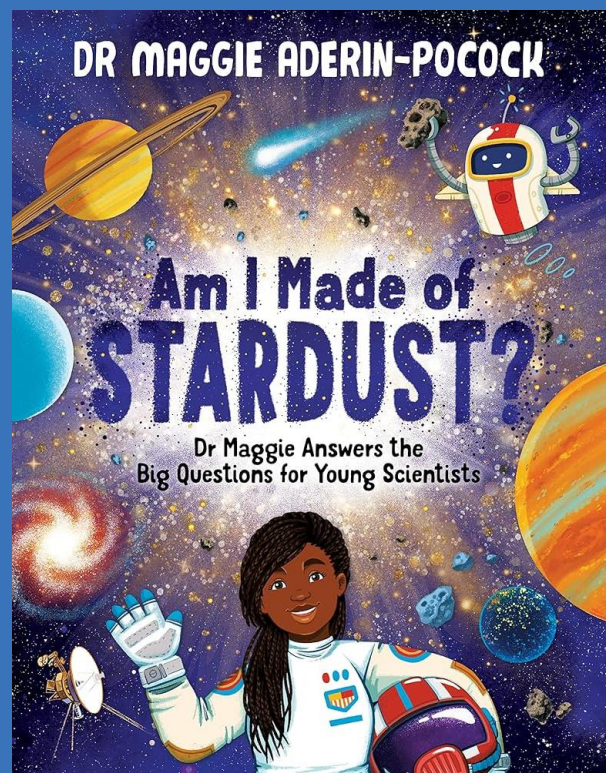
Year 6 have been investigating real fossils from Staffordshire as part of their science unit. They used research and close observation to develop their own ideas about the fossils and what information they provide.



Year 6 Royal Society Science Book Club

Mariana has reviewed the book 'Am I Made of Stardust?' as part of the Year 6 science book club.

Mariana said "The book is interesting and makes me want to explore more about our Solar System". Mariana gave the book a rating of 18/20!





Key Dates



Monday 29th January	Year 6 Trip to St. Chad's Cathedral
Wednesday 31st January	School disco! EYFS 3-4pm / KS1 & KS2 4-6pm
Friday 9th February	Mental Health Week - Coffee Morning, 9am
Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February	School closed for half term
Monday 19th February	School reopens for all, 8:30am
Week of 19th February	Parent consultation meetings

Young Voices

Earlier this month, children from Key Stage 2 travelled to Birmingham to take part in the 'Young Voices' production.

The Young Voices experience is not simply a children's choir concert - these are the largest children's choir concerts in the world.

Our children sang their hearts out and their behaviour was exceptional - they certainly did the school very proud.

Well done to everyone involved!





Year	Star Award	Handwriting Award	Learning Behaviours	Goldfinch Award	TT Rockstars
N	Micah Owusu Arisa Ali Tazwar Tamir		Asya Ceylan Ismail Adnaan	Aleena Hussain Enrico Cervenak Henry Stubbs	
R	Samira Choudhury Dania Mustafa Aisha Eshan	Sheikha Nishad	Afiyah Imran Nicholas Lupu Haider Chaudry	Amaan Kayani Amara Ali Lois-Ann Marfo	
Y1	Shayan Islam Alaia Akhtar Zedan Hussain	Zaina Choudary Tamjid Leeton Kaashif Khalid	Janelle Asubiojo Edward Turcitu Chiedozie Nwanguma	Imaan Ali Ammara Uddin Hasan Saber	
Y2	Hardeep Singh Anayah Irfan Pela Qasm	Humayra Choudhury Musa Adeel Ruby Rahman	Aaziz Ismail Ruby Rahman Adam Yahya	Jannah Hussain Anaya Asiedu Kinza Ishtiaq	
Y3	Matin Amin Huwainaa-Nur Aqeeb Ebunoluwa Oyelade	Aron Mariwan Ibrahim Uddin Isaac Dwumfour	Ismail Haque Yahya Mazahir Wafaa Fayyaz	Amelia Ali Prince Barter-Eneje Aron Mariwan	Ebun Oyelade Bawan Ibrahim Isaac Dwumfour
Y4	Whole class Ayaana Uddin Abubakr Imran	Lily Moges Ernest Obeng-Boafo Mia Mofina	Naziha Islam Amaaz Mehmood Farid Bukhari	Abdul Raheem Waseem Naziha Islam Monira Choudhury	Oscar Stubbs Owais Ahmed
Y5	Faryal Yousaf Laaibah Ahmed Amir Ali	Aland Amin Laibah Khanum Halima Ahmed	Ife Oyelade Amir Ali Inaaya Haque	Ruqayah Ahmed Inaaya Haque Ayaan Ali	Abdullah Ishtiaq Ayaan Ali Christian Balogh
Y6	Manha Kamran, Madina-Noor Hamid Azaan Kayani	Nazgul Ahmed Taybah Shakil Maryam Rahman	Hammad Ashfaq Maryam Rahman Daniel Trocewicz	Mobeen Khaliq Noa Sveger-Targus Lewend Guli	Nazgul Ahmed Bakur Majid Oscar Maoloud