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Saint Pierre School's Newsletter



It's A Record!

At Saint Pierre School, we are delighted to announce that we now have a record amount of pupils attending, and more and more people are hearing about the fantastic standard of education that we offer. A very special cake was made to celebrate reaching the milestone of 123 pupils, and before we could even cut the first slice another four children had joined the Saint Pierre family!

Having so many children across the Nursery and main school is a huge achievement to be proud of, but at the same time we are maintaining ideal class sizes with no more than 16 pupils in each year group. A very special version of our school song has just been recorded to commemorate reaching this landmark, and it will be available on our Facebook page and website soon.







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Have Your Say...

Cadbury's Crème Eggs are a popular treat at this time of year, but some people have been grumbling recently about an 'improved' recipe. Is it all a storm in an egg cup?



Une Journée Française

Our French-themed day was a big success, with pupils enjoying a traditional French lunch with freshly-baked baguettes. Breaktime snacks had a touch of French flair also. Pupils enjoyed competing in our first-ever 'French Counting Bee' - this was an opportunity to learn French numbers and compete in the style of a US Spelling Bee. The competition was a big success and we will definitely run it again in the future.

Pupils at Saint Pierre School have regular lessons in both French and Mandarin as part of the curriculum. Yr 5 and 6 pupils are looking forward to their annual day trip to France - more details soon. If only China was close enough for a day trip too!





Refugee Appeal -

Unfortunately, the plight of refugees who are fleeing Syria and Iraq never seems to be far away from news bulletins at the moment. Two of our pupils (Reuben and Gabriel Andrews) have been helping with a local appeal to collect essential food, clothing and other items that are distributed to Calais where the situation is quickly getting worse.

To help them with their fantastic efforts so far, we have a request for our own parents, their friends and wider members of the Saint Pierre School family. Please take a look at the list of items below that are desperately needed, and if there is anything that you can donate they would be delighted to receive these at school at hometime on Tuesday 15th March. Anything that you can donate will be very greatly received, and we wish Gabriel, Reuben and their parents good luck with the rest of the appeal! For more details please visit **facebook.com/whatwecandoLOS.**

FOOD ITEMS NEEDED: Oil - Rice - Sugar - Tinned Fish - Biscuit Packets - Tinned Goods - Tea and Coffee - Salt - Tinned Fruit & Veg - Stock Cubes - UHT Milk - Onions - Garlic.

OTHER SUPPLIES: Blankets - Duvets - Sleeping Bags - Waterproof Coats - Waterproof Trousers - Tarpaulins - Camp Mats - Firewood - Fire Extinguishers - Wind-up/Solar Torches and Lanterns.

CLOTHING: Waterproof Walking Boots or Trainers - Trousers/Tracksuit Bottoms - Jumpers Long-sleeved Tops - Hoodies - Bras - Jeans - Underwear - Hats, Gloves and Scarves .

HYGIENE ITEMS: Toilet Rolls - Deodorant - Baby Wipes - Shampoo - Conditioner - Moisturiser - Shaving Cream - Tissues.

Year 1 Out and About



Our Year 1 pupils have been very busy recently with trips to Marsh Farm and Waitrose in Southend. They have been studying farms recently, learning about where our food comes from, and they enjoyed seeing two different areas of the food supply chain. Other than a few encounters with some over-friendly goats, the day at the farm was a great experience for everyone.

At Waitrose, they were taken for a 'behind the scenes tour,' before spending time in their demo kitchen and making a delicious fruit crumble which was taken home to grateful parents.



NEW PUPILS



You may have already seen our record-breaking news on the front cover, and so we are delighted to welcome eight new pupils to the Saint Pierre Family. As always, they are all settling in really well, and this is due to the helpful and mature attitude of our existing pupils - they take a great picture as well! In fact, they have already won certificates for their amazing efforts to get involved in a number of activities.



Our Roving Reporter

This Friday we had a Big Breakfast to raise money for cancer research. Mike, the Chef, made us an appetizing breakfast including: scrambled eggs, toast, veggie sausages, sausages, bacon and baked beans. Each child had to bring along £5 each and optional extra money to donate. The breakfast ran from 8am to 9am. We had a large amount of children attending the event. Saint Pierre is very grateful for everybody's donations. We raised over £300 for Cancer Research. Thank you!

By Lujain Khan & Sophia Croft - Year 6





In The Clink

Years 5 & 6 went to London for the day to visit The Clink and The Ragged Museum. The Clink gave them a fascinating insight into how prisons have changed over the course of history, and in The Ragged Museum the pupils were treated to a Victorian-style classroom lesson - very harsh and strict! Miss Perkins was fearsome! Should we adopt the technique of banging a board rubber on the desk, or, as was the case, throwing it at the inattentive children?







Police Visit

Sgt John Woodley is one of the most prominent police officers in the area for online safety and crime issues. We were delighted when he took some time out of his busy schedule to come to speak to our Year 5 pupils about a range of subjects that included chatting in mobile games, YouTube safety and much more.

Before he left, he remarked that he was impressed with the intelligent and informed questions that came from our children, and the morning complemented our E-Safety work perfectly.

Thanks PTA!

We are incredibly fortunate to have a PTA at Saint Pierre School with a real flair for raising lots of money and throwing fantastic and memorable events - our recent Valentine's Ball raised an amazing £3100 for the school with dinner, dancing and a sports memorabilia auction. Once again, THANK YOU:)



Forthcoming Events

11th -21st Mar - Easter Egg Design Competition
Wed 16th Mar - Inter-House Cross Country
Fri 18th Mar - Sport Relief
22nd Mar - Charlie & The Chocolate Factory
Thu 24th Mar - Break up for Easter Holidays