



The Pilgrim Post



January Issue 1 – Monday 25th January

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the new look newsletter! From now on, you will receive a newsletter every two weeks, so that I can keep you up to date about all the exciting events taking place both in and out of school. The Pilgrim Post will come out fortnightly on a Friday from now on so please look out for it.

It has certainly been a busy start to 2016 with Miss Dale's class providing us with a superb class assembly last week, sharing their learning about Dinosaurs and the fossil collector Mary Anning. The children spoke confidently and made us all proud. Our Year 1 classes launched Term 3 with a trip to the Theatre Royal where they enjoyed a fantastic (and very interactive!) production of The Three Little Pigs. Year 1 also have had a couple of new members arrive in their classes last week... see below for more details...

I've really enjoyed the start of my new role as Head Teacher of Pilgrim Primary. It has been great getting to know your children and meeting some of you on the playground. Many thanks for the warm welcome!

Mrs Meek

New additions to Year 1

Our Year 1 classes have taken a trip to Build a Bear to choose their new class mates! Meet Tim and Oreo who will be joining Seahorse and Sea Stars classes. They will be taking turn to come home with the children to help them with their speaking, listening and writing learning. I hope they are well behaved...



Parent Workshop events

Mrs Harris, our PSA, has arranged a series of enjoyable workshops for parents and carers which take place on **Thursdays in school between 9.00 and 11.00**. This week it was great to see a packed room full of eager (and creative) parents learning how to paint on glass. Although this workshop is now full, there are several more workshops in the pipeline for the rest of the year so please look out for information about them in the coming weeks. Thank you to Mrs Harris.

Fundraising News

The school was very busy fundraising last month. Here are some of the totals raised:

Christmas Disco Money - £252.46

Christmas Market Stall - £780.23

Save the Children - £117.85 (Christmas Jumper Day)

Carol Singing - £173.56

Raffle Money - £92.60



Thank you so much for your continued support with our various events!



Dates for your Diary...



After School Clubs

Monday	EAL Group 1	Mrs Stephenson	3.15 - 4.15
Tuesday	EAL Group 2	Mrs Stephenson	3.15 - 4.15
	Dance Y3 & 4	Miss Soole	3.15 - 4.30
Wednesday	Multi-skills Y2,3 & 4	Mr Hall	3.15 - 4.15
	Athletics Y5 & 6	Mr Manning	3.15 - 4.30
Thursday	Dance Y4, 5 & 6	Miss Soole	3.15 - 4.30

Class Assemblies

These are held on **Fridays in the school hall at 9.15**. Please try to come along to your child's assembly to help us celebrate their learning.

Friday 22 January - YR 2 Miss Dale
Friday 29 January - YR 3 Mr Pryce
Friday 5 February - YR 1 Miss Bourne



Other Dates

Monday 1 February	Story Telling Week starts
Tuesday 2 February 4.15	Governing Body Meeting
Friday 26 February Time to follow	Life Education Caravan (for Parent/Carers)
Wednesday 2 March & 9 March Times to follow	Spring Term Parents' Evenings

Half Term Dates

We have a staff training day on Friday 12th February (NO PUPILS)
HALF TERM is Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February

So the last day at school is Thursday 11th February and back to school on Monday 22nd February

Attendance - Our Target is 96.3 %

Week Ending 22nd January 2016	Whole School Attendance	Best Class Attendance	Best Class Punctuality
Last Week	96.8%	Yr 5 100%	Yr 5 (1 late)
Year to Date	96.2%	Yr 5 98.2%	Yr 5 (11 lates)

Help! We need you...

We currently have vacancies for **Parent Governors**. Governors play a valuable role in the running of our school and assisting the school's leadership with important decisions. If you can offer enthusiasm and commitment and would like to find out more details, please contact the school office (252318) or pop in to speak to Mrs Meek about the role. No previous experience necessary!

