

CHAPLAINCY – REPORT TO GOVERNORS SUMMER TERM 2023

LUNCH TIME PRAYER GROUPS

- Prayer groups continue to meet weekly at lunchtimes with positive feedback from students. In the month of May we are focusing on The Rosary – along with praying we are getting crafty and making our own Rosaries!
- Youth Alpha continues to be popular with students. The course has now come to an end, but the PACE team will continue to join us Monday lunchtimes for more relaxed fun sessions where students can share ideas of faith and life with this group of young adult Christians.
- Monthly Friday lunchtime Mass (dedicated to specific Year groups) continue. Last Friday Mass was offered for all Sixth Form students and next month we will be praying for all Teachers and TA's.

LASSALIAN LEADERS

- On 12th May F our Lasallian Leaders took part in an online Founder's Day celebration on Zoom which brought together schools from across our region of Great Britain, Ireland and Malta. It was wonderful to come together as part of the worldwide Lasallian community and gather, reflect and pray, as one.
- Ten of our students who completed their Bronze Lasallian Award were particularly keen to hear the results of the regional prize draw that they were all entered in to and although no one from St Peter's won the regional top prize it was wonderful to be able to offer them the chance of winning an Amazon voucher in the St Peter's Award draw – congratulations to Beth in Year 7 who won! Everyone who completed their Award received an Award certificate which was presented by Mr Doyle and Governor, Mr Allen; they will also be receiving a coveted lapel badge soon. We look forward to more students being able to do Lassallian Awards next year.
- A group of students will be attending this year's Lasallian Camp at Kintbury in July – with the chance to meet students from other Lasallian schools. They are planning fundraising ideas to help towards the cost of camp.
- Chaplaincy along with our Lasallian Leaders will launch their new initiative 'Got A Minute' to support student wellbeing. Simple conversation Starters and questions created by students, will be placed in weather-proof frames and strategically positioned around school in areas students congregate. They hope to encourage students to talk to each other, prompt conversations and sharing of ideas.

RETREATS

The second half of term will be busy with day retreats for a number of different year groups

- Y6 Retreats. Each class spends a day with us in the Chapel. A day of activities, prayer, reflection and workshops, giving children the opportunity to reflect on their journey through St Peter's School and beyond.
- Y4 Retreats. Each class spends a day with us in the Chapel. Based on the theme 'Psalm 139 -You are Wonderfully Made'. A day to think about our relationship with God, have fun and share our faith together.
- Y9 24hour Retreats to Kintbury offered to all Y9 students. This year we are encouraging all Y9 students to attend.

END OF TERM LITURGIES

- Secondary Liturgies for Y7 – Y12 will take place in school chapel during last weeks of term.
- For Primary Phase term will finish with a Y6 Celebration Mass on the last day of term.

PRIMARY MASSES

- Over the past few months, Chaplaincy have organised individual class Masses for each year group in Primary phase. The last of these with Reception and Year 1 classes have taken place over the last few weeks.
- We will be celebrating all Primary pupils who have taken their First Holy Communion with a special celebration Mass for pupils and parents at Primary in June

RAINBOWS

- The 14-week Rainbows program is drawing to a close at both Primary and Secondary with our Wrap up day celebrations.
- Juliette is currently running one to one Rainbows sessions with two primary pupils as it was recommended by Pastoral Team that they would benefit from more personal sessions.

PATRONAL FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

- Mass for all pupils and staff will be celebrated on 29th June (The feast of SS Peter and Paul). Mass will be said by Msg. John Nelson and local clergy will be invited to con celebrate with us.

OTHER EVENTS

During the second half of term Chaplaincy will also be involved in the following

- Transfer Day
- Y11 Leavers
- Ethos Day
- End of term liturgies
- Adoration and reflection with RE classes