

# ST PETER'S BRAFFERTON CE (VA) PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Helperbees Preschool

*Aspiring, Believing and Achieving together*

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021

Dear Parents,

We've had a fantastic week! There is a busy buzz around school- our preschoolers are currently making learning lots of new language such as 'stride' and 'stomp', based on their Harry and the dinosaurs Christmas book; Class 1 are using laptops and iPads to create nativity pictures using their fabulous computing skills; Class 2 are thinking of new exciting vocabulary to add to their recount writing and Class 3 are number crunching with multiplication, division and BIDMAS!! We are very proud of our children at St Peter's!

A big thank you to our PTA and to you, our parents, who contributed to our Cinderella pantomime this week. The children in Reception to Year 6 enjoyed a trip to Harrogate Theatre. There was fun, laughter, singing and dancing had by all! We are all feeling in the festive mood!

## Tag rugby Y3-6

Well done to our children in Year 3-6 who attended the Tag Rugby competition this week. Year 3/4 came first place out of 7 teams and Year 5/6 came 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall out of 10 teams! We will celebrate our sporting success in next week's Collective Worship!

## We love reading!

Year 2, 3 and 4 enjoyed an author virtual author visit from Alex T. Smith this week- we were amazed he could write and illustrate stories! Polly said "We learnt how to draw Mr Penguin and met Mr Bongo the dog." Elodie said "We thought it was spectacular- everyone showed their pictures!" Mr Smith answered our class question about why his main character was a penguin.

Next week, we will have the Scholastic book fair Tuesday – Friday 3.15pm – 4pm. Children and parents can come and browse (please refrain from picking up lots of books) the selection books, make themselves a wish list and payments can be made at home online (we will not be handling any cash). The link to pay for books is <https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay>. Once purchased, please bring proof of payment and books will be made available the next day. To ensure we keep Covid safe, please use the hall door to enter the book fair, sanitise your hands on arrival, and numbers will be limited in the hall.

Yours faithfully,



## Headteacher Awards!

Leon Furlong for amazing independence skills – what a superstar you are Leon  
Miles Simoes for settling so beautifully at Helperbees – we are all so proud of you Miles.  
Maverick - For super listening and taking turns with his friends.  
Austin. S - Brilliant enthusiasm in phonics and for making amazing construction models.  
Annabel Topps for her superb efforts in maths this week adding 2 digit numbers.  
Austin Muir for his amazing attitude to all his learning - he is focused, trying hard and succeeding!  
Fin Abbott – for excellent respect and care at the tag rugby tournament.  
Miss Price- for making learning fun.

## Dates for your diary

Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Scholastic book fair at school this week!
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Helperbees to visit St Peter's Church
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Class 1 & Helperbees Christmas Performance 'Whoops a Daisy Angel' 9.30am and 5pm.
Weds 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas lunch Class Christmas parties (each child to bring £1 towards party treats)
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christingle making
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle service @ St Peter's Brafferton Church 2pm. Families welcome. No BASE <b>Break up for Christmas</b>
	<b>Holiday club</b> <b>29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> December – places available</b> <b>Email bookings to base@st-peters-brafferton.n-yorks.sch.uk</b>

# PTA News

## Clothing Bank

Our clothing bank is a real fundraising success as well as ensuring we're all doing what we can to recycle textiles and reduce landfill waste. In 2021 it's raised us £525...an average of £40 each time it's emptied. Please continue to donate any bagged textiles, shoes and belts (no bedding)...it will all convert to school chrome books in the end!!!

## School Uniform

Help the environment, donate preloved school uniform and purchase items you need from the second hand shop - £1 per item, or donation via our Amazon wishlist.  
Currently in stock...

### **Age 4-5**

Navy poloshirt x 3  
Jumper x 3  
Cardigan x 3  
Dress x 7  
Skirt x 2  
PE shorts (girls) x 1

### **Age 5-6**

Dress x 4  
Skirt x 4  
Summer dress x 1  
Cardigan x 1  
Jumper x 1

### **Age 6-7**

Navy poloshirt x 3  
Dress x 2  
Trousers x 1

### **Age 7-8**

Cardigan x 2  
Trousers x 2  
Navy poloshirt x 1

### **Age 9-10**

Fleece with logo x 2  
Trousers (girls) brand new x 2

### **Age 10**

Summer dress x 2  
Culottes (girls) x 2

### **Age 11-12**

Jumper x 3  
PE shorts (girls) x 1

### **Age 13-14**

Cardigan x 2  
White poloshirt with logo brand new x 1

Thank you as always from the PTA.

## Amazon

The staff and PTA have created an Amazon wish list which varies from books to fairy gardens to gardening tools! Thank you so much to those that have already bought from our wish list! We have had over 20 items!

Here is the link for anyone who would like to purchase any items for school.

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/NG3CYT6O5NMA?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/NG3CYT6O5NMA?ref=wl_share)



# Church News!

Village is raising funds for the church bells  
Raffle tickets can be bought from the Butchers or 2 High Farm Cottages  
£1.00 a ticket– Prize is a hamper

**The Nativity is Back! Mrs East** has kindly agreed to put on our brilliant Nativity at 3.30 on Christmas Eve with the able assistants of Mrs Van Leyan and Mrs Moorey! Watch this space for likely arrangements but save 2pm on 12 and 19 December for rehearsals! Fours and over will be needed!

**Table Tennis in Church:** would any parents or year fives/sixes be interested in playing table tennis in church in the winter? If so contact Jennie;jenniemwade@me.com.

## Dates for diary - events in church

**17 December 2pm: School Christingle**

**24 December 3.30pm: Nativity**

**25 December 10.30 Christmas day service with Rev Lotte Cranfield**