

St Peter's Primary

Parent Council

Head Teacher's Report

13th March 2018

Staffing

Mr McMullan, P.4B teacher, who left before the February holiday, has been replaced by Mrs Johnstone on Monday – Thursday and Mrs Burns on Friday. Mrs Pia will continue Sacramental preparation and Spanish with the class on Tuesday afternoons.

Our PGDE students in P.4A and P.5B have completed their placements.

We welcome Theresa Tober and Helene Piralli, Austrian student teachers, who will spend approximately 3 weeks in P.7A and P.7B, as part of their training, at St Peter's

Miss Clark has started as our new Early Years Practitioner in the Nursery.

Care Inspection

On Tuesday, 6th March, the Nursery was inspected by the Care Inspectorate. As is normal practice, the visit was unannounced. Once the report has been finalised, it will be published on the Care Inspectorate website.

Tanzanian visit to partner school, St Ursula's

Miss Kennedy and Mrs McCabe visited St Ursula's over the February holiday. Report from Miss Kennedy.

Draft Equality, Diversity and Anti-Bullying Policy and Procedures

Our school policy is reviewed every four years. Parent Council given copy of the draft policy for comment.

Twitter

Very positive feedback. Delighted with the number of additional tweets added by parents and other organisations. It proved particularly beneficial when the school was closed due to the snow.

STEM Careers Carousel

STEM Fortnight organised by the Partnership Schools group has included visits from parents to various classes, exploring sound, finding out about blood, working with the Maths Circle team from Edinburgh University and the STEM carousel afternoon detailed below. Our pupils have also taken part in an investigation in the STEM lab in the Dining Hall and considered the various types of scientists and their work at an assembly led by Mrs Dines. Classes have been busy with other Science investigations with their class teachers. We will have the use of a box of problem solving ideas from Edinburgh University for the next 10 days.

Monday 12th March, 1-3pm – STEM Carousel for P.7 in the school hall

Speaker	Company	Focus
Eleanore Glendinning	Met. Office	Renewable Energy
Will Hinckley	Prosper Social Finance	Social Media/ Finance
Sandy Lobban	Noise Me Up	Virtual Reality Software/ Equipment
Dorothy Tse	Edinburgh University (Neuroscience)	Studying the Mind

Rosalind Love	Helen Lucas Architects	Engineering/ Maths/ Design
Nicola Hall	Lee Boyd Architects	Engineering/ Maths/ Design
Matjaz Vidmar	Royal Observatory	Astronomy, Satellite/ Spacecraft (engineering)
Claudia Freigang	Hearing Diagnostics Ltd.	Hearing Tests
Shona McAdam	n/a	Sensory Analysis
Jemma Craig	Meraki Concept	Marketing – Communications/ media
Yiyu Chen	Morgan Stanley	Technology and Information Risk
DYW (Marketing Contact)		Marketing
Marcus Mueller	n/a	Energy (table top models)