



# St Peter's C of E (A) Primary School

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Dear Parents

What a fantastic and busy start to the year with 2 trips and a great year 3 & 4 residential. Well done to all our pupils for their behaviour during these, other adults praised our school for their good listening and manners—lovely to hear.

Can I also just make a couple of requests to all parents to please **name all of your child's clothes**. This means they can be returned if lost, we already have a large amount of lost property in some classes which is very costly for families. Many thanks for your support in this.

Alison Banks  
Head Teacher

## ATTENDANCE

Each week we like to say well done to the class with the best Attendance – What a fantastic start to the term lets try and keep it up.

W/C	Class	Percentage
30/8	Dolphins & Turtles	100%
2/9	Tigers & Polar Bears	100%

## DROP IN SESSION FOR PARENTS MONDAY 23RD (YEARS 1—6 NOT EYFS)

As part of our continual drive to improve parent and school communication we would like to invite all parents to an open evening on Monday 23rd September from 3.30-5.00 PM. This is an opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher and ask any settling in questions or have any queries answered. In addition you will be able to see your child's English and new maths books. Children are welcome to accompany you, show off their first pieces of work and explain what they are learning about.

We hope that all parents will support us with this event and very much look forward to meeting with you. Please also collect your child's data sheet from their class teacher and check we hold all the correct information for you.

## FITNESS IN SCHOOL

This is a sponsored event which will take place in school in aid of LOROS on Thursday 26th September. Your child should of brought a sponsor form home yesterday.

## CHANGE TO MAY BANK HOLIDAY

Please note instead of the usual Bank holiday Monday at the beginning of May 2020 this will now be Friday 8th May.

## COMMUNICATION

As mentioned in previous newsletters the majority of communication will be via email including messages to say your child is taking part in assembly. This is due to the ever decreasing school budget. Text messages will only be used if a club has to be cancelled at short notice.

## INFANT SHARING ASSEMBLIES

This year we have decided to celebrate infant birthdays in class and not in sharing assembly. This is due to the time taken to celebrate all their other achievements.

## September

Monday 23rd	Parents Evening Drop in session
Thursday 26th	Finns Fitness (Info to follow)
Friday 27th	Wasps film night 7.00 PM
Monday 30th	Parents Forum 2.45 pm

## October

Tuesday 1st	School photos
Tuesday 1st	WASPs AGM—7.00 pm All welcome
Monday 7th	EYFS Phonics meetings
Tuesday 8th	KS1/2 English Parents open morning session

## ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL

We are thrilled with how all of KS1 AND 2 children have returned to school, they come into their class quickly to settle to their morning tasks. We respectfully request that parents don't come into school in the mornings. Should you need to speak to your child's teacher please let the member of staff on the door know and they will arrange this for you.

## SHINING STARS

DEADLINE FOR BOOKING FORMS

WEDNESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

WE CANNOT GUARANTEE PLACES IF  
BOOKING FORMS ARE RECIEVED  
LATE.

## Academic Year 2019/2020

<b>Autumn Term 2019</b>	
School Opens	Thursday 29th August
Half Term Break	Monday 14th October— Friday 18th October
School Closes	Friday 20th December
<b>Spring Term 2020</b>	
School Opens	Tuesday 7th January 2020
Half Term Break	Monday 17th February— Friday 21st February
School close	Friday 3rd April
<b>Summer Term 2020</b>	
Schools Open	Monday 20th April
May Bank Holiday	Friday 8th May
Half Term Break	Monday 25th May— Friday 29th May
School Closes	Friday 10th July

### **Year 5 & 6 VISIT COSBY VICTORY SHOW**

On 6th September Year 5 and 6 visited Cosby's Victory Show as part of our learning about World War II. When we arrived on the bus we were met by a man dressed as a WWII General who boarded the bus and shouted orders at us. He even made Mr. Bolstridge perform ten press-ups for not leaving the bus quickly enough! There were lots of army tents set up with men (and one woman) dressed as soldiers who gave us information about the war and how life was like at the time. Walking through the wood, we endured a barrage of gun shots to simulate a battlefield, and were able to handle guns and even fire a machine gun (gas powered only). We sat on an army jeep and then watched a WWII aircraft take off, only to break the clouds which then made it rain very heavily. Despite our soaking, we had a thoroughly enjoyable day.

By Mollie Lakin and Joshua Roberts



### **YEAR 3 & 4 TRIP TO TRINITY PARK**

Last week, Years 3 and 4 visited Trinity Park to investigate how forces work in action. They had great fun seeing how gravity helped the slide and skateboard ramp to work; how they had to push and pull to make the swings and roundabout go and then waiting for friction to work to slow them down (and hope they weren't too dizzy afterwards!). We have now followed this up in class by investigating how a seesaw works with its fulcrum and how we can improve the speed of a slide. The children were really well behaved and we even had lovely comments from some members of the public walking through the park - well done!

Mrs Cook and Miss George.

### **Dear Friends**

September is a month of change. Often we find ourselves in new surroundings, doing new and perhaps unfamiliar tasks, with new friends to make. This is the experience of many of the children in the School at the moment, especially for those starting school in EYFS and we pray for them that they may flourish in this big new step in their lives.

Of course some people love routine and things being the same. Others can't wait for a change and something new. Most of us are a bit of both. Jesus said he had not come to abolish the law, or the ancient customs of his people, given by God, but he also said new wine needs new wineskins.

But whatever our preference, God does call us to face the future and all that it will bring. September, the start of a new school year is when we have new procedures, new ideas, and hopefully, new reserves of energy, so that we can breathe new life into everything we have inherited from those who have gone before us.

Let's keep the best of the old traditions, and use them as foundations for the future as the school faces new challenges and new successes this year.

Your friend and Vicar

Chris

### **WASPS NEWS**

We hope you all had a lovely summer and are excited for our events this year! We start with our first meeting (AGM) On the 1st October 7pm in school. If you would like to join us, you are more than welcome, we would love more members! Please email me at [meltham@st-peters-whetstone.leics.sch.uk](mailto:meltham@st-peters-whetstone.leics.sch.uk)

Our first Film Night will be on 27th Sept and we will be showing 'Small Foot'. Flyer was sent out Thursday pm.

*Crisp packets recycling scheme*

We've counted 4,934 crisp packets since we started collecting in March! We sent all 14kg of them to walkers in the holidays which altogether has raised £28.72 for our school! All of the crisps packets will be made into watering cans, plant pots etc.

Thank you for eating and collecting!

### **MR B'S BOOKS OF THE WEEK**

EYFS - Atlas of Amazing Birds - Mat Sewell

KS1 - Royal Rabbits of London: The Hunt For The Golden Carrot - Santa Montefiore

LKS2 - The Girl Who Speaks Bear - Sophie Anderson

UKS2 - Plastic Sucks - Dougie Poynter

