



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

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back after the half term break, I hope that everyone enjoyed some relaxing family time.


A huge thank you to all our parents who felt able to make a voluntary contribution to support enrichment activities. This was really appreciated and will help us make a difference for all St Peter's children.

This half term, following feedback, we are going to trial sending this newsletter as a paper copy to families as well as via e-mail. I **urge all parents** to read it and then save it somewhere safe eg pinned on a noticeboard or fridge so that you are aware of important school dates and events. We are happy to receive your feedback after this trial and hope that this change will help you be more aware of all that is going on in school.

Mrs Banks.

## ATTENDANCE

Each week we like to say well done to the class with the best Attendance.

W/C	Class	Percentage
7/10	Polar Bears	99.20%
21/10	Dolphins Elephants Polar Bears	<b>WOW</b> <b>100%</b> 

## PARENT PAY—SCHOOL DINNERS

If you would like your child to have juice (KS1) or hot dinners/juice (KS2), It is your responsibility to ensure there is always credit on your child's account. It takes a lot of admin time chasing payment. Please help us by regularly checking and topping up parent pay. We would really appreciate your support in this matter. If you have any queries please refer to the school dinner debt policy. Thank you to all those parents who are already doing this.

## A SAD GOODBYE TO SHINING STARS MANAGER—MRS GIBSON

In November we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Gibson as she has decided to retire. She has been a big part of St Peter's running the before/ afterschool club, Shining Stars, for a number of years and we will all miss her. We wish her a long and happy retirement

### **SHINING STARS**

**DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT WAS**

**THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER**

**ALL PAYMENT FOR THE WHOLE MONTHS**

**BOOKINGS SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE BY THIS DATE.**

**IF THIS IS PROVING DIFFICULT PLEASE DO SPEAK TO THE OFFICE**

**Booking forms are available for the rest of the year on the school website.**

**DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER BOOKING FORMS TO BE RETURNED IS 18TH NOVEMBER. THESE WILL BE SENT OUT SHORTLY.**

## November

Thursday 7th	Infants Disco 6.00—7.00
	Juniors Disco 7.15—8.15
w/c 11th	Anti Bullying Week
Friday 15th	Newsletter
Friday 29th	WASPs non uniform day
	Newsletter

## December

Monday 2nd	Parents Evening 3.30—7.00
Thursday 5th	Parents Evening 3.30—6.00
Friday 6th	Flu Vaccines
Saturday 7th	WASPs Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 11th	Infant Nativity 9.30 am 2.00 pm
Thursday 12th	Infant Nativity 2.00 pm
Friday 13th	Newsletter
Sunday 15th	Year 4 Christingle Service
	St Peter's : 4.00 pm
Thursday 19th	Christmas Lunch

## PARENT PAY—COMING SOON

Within the next couple of weeks under the parent section on our school website you will be able to find useful documents to help you when using parent pay.

## QUESTIONS RE SCHOOL

Polite reminder if anyone has any questions relating to any thing to do with school. Please contact school who will direct you to the most knowledgeable person. Please do not approach members of the staff privately.

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

### **RE: FIRST TIME SCHOOL ADMISSIONS**

Parents of children who will be four years old before 1st September 2020 will need to apply for their first school place at an infant or primary school.

First time admissions to school, and infant to junior school transfers, are not automatic. All parents need to apply – even for their child to attend the catchment area school for their home address. The closing date for applications is 15th January 2020. Applications received after this date will be considered as late and may not be offered a place at any of their preferred schools. To apply for your child's place apply online: [www.leicestershire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/admissions) or for further information contact School Admissions on 0116 305 6684 or email: [admissions@leics.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@leics.gov.uk)

### **SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS**

**Deadline for return of school photo orders is Wednesday 6th November.** Unfortunately kidshoot are unable to accept any late orders for whatever reason.

### **YEAR 3 BRING A BOOK TO LIFE**

On Monday morning, the children trekked across the frosty school field and discovered a tent and footprints. They then discussed what it would be like to sleep in the tent and the noises in which they could hear.

This activity was for the Year 3's English cold write, to gain experience for their new book, The Abominables.



### **SUPERSTAR SPORTS**

Unfortunately Leon had to cancel Zumba which was due to run on a Monday morning through lack of interest. However after cancelling a few children signed up which meant it could have ran. Leon politely requests that if you are intending sending your child please send a text indicating this as early as possible. Payment is due before the session takes place.

### **POPPIES**

Poppies will be on sale from Monday with a suggested donation of 50p. Thank you for supporting this worthwhile cause.

#### **SAFE GUARDING**

If you have any concerns re the well being or care of a child. Please speak to the school office and they will put you in touch with the schools safeguarding lead.

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

If you are interested in coming into school on a regular basis to hear our pupils read, we are always really grateful of this support.

Please contact the school office in the first instance with your contact details and availability.

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

- EYFS - Firecrackers - Zoro Weil
- KS1 - Zippel: The Little Keyhole Ghost - Alex Ruhle
- LKS2 - Eagle Warrior - Gill Lewis
- UKS2 - Squirm - Carl Hiaasen

