



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

25th September 2020

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Dear Parents,

School life continues to be both busy and productive with all of our children settled back into their class and beginning to catch up on any key skills missed. We are really pleased to share with you this week information on how you can be more involved in your child's school life during these Covid times. Class DoJo - our new learning platform - is up and running for pupil reward points and homework in year 1-6 will be sent via this from this Friday. Please do ensure that you download the app as all parents in these year groups will need access in the event of "bubble" closure. I am sure that you will really enjoy this new innovation.

Mrs Banks

ATTENDANCE

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

W/C	Class	Percentage
7/9	Tigers	99.25
14/9	Hedgehogs	100 %

Dear Friends

It's been a real joy to be part of the St. Peter's School community for the past nine and a half years. The school, basing itself on the Christian values consequent upon its Foundation, has been serving the community for over 150 years, and it was a privilege to be part of that mission. I had the pleasure of working with three different Headteachers and their staff and I have learnt a great deal from each one about the huge amount of organisation and detail that has to be mastered in order to run a modern school. But it's not just about running a school; it's about being a caring and dependable place which will serve the children of the area and their families. I have been able to meet successive cohorts of pupils over the years through assemblies and Governor visits and when the whole school has come into St Peter's Church at the beginning and end of each term. Recently, it has been wonderful that various year groups and their teachers and parents have joined the congregation for a Sunday service, for instance, for Christingle or on Mothering Sunday. So now I thank you all for the part I have been able to play in this great enterprise.

So I pray for all of God's blessings for the whole School Community and indeed those who will follow in future years, as you continue to be a beacon of learning, truth and the values of God's kingdom now, and in succeeding generations.

Your friend and Vicar,

Chris

COVID

IN THE EVENT OF YOUR CHILD TESTING POSITIVE FOR COVID PLEASE ENSURE YOU INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY .

IF YOU GET THE RESULTS OUT OF OFFICE HOURS PLEASE EMAIL THE SCHOOL ON : office@st-peters-whetstone.leics.sch.uk.

Please name the e-mail - positive covid test

You must include vital information

- Date when symptom's started
- Date of test and result.

Emails will be checked at regular times over the weekend and evenings

SHINING STARS

DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT FOR OCTOBER BOOKINGS

30TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Should you wish to contact Shining Stars the phone is on from 7.15 am—6.00 pm every weekday during term time.

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

Tax- Free Childcare

For those parents who use our Shining Stars Before & After School Club, please check to see if you qualify for tax-free childcare. As a childcare provider we're all signed up so you could save £2 for every £10 in fees paid by registering. As payment cannot be made via ParentPay, please advise the office if you register so we can amend our records.

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

SCHOOL DINNER & JUICE MONEY

If your child has school dinners or juice please ensure your account is always in credit for the week ahead. It takes valuable office time to chase money owed. Many thanks.

Academic Year	2020—2021
Autumn Term 2020	
School Opens	Thursday 27th August
August Bank Holiday	Monday 31st August
Half Term	Monday 19th to Friday 23rd October
School Closes	Friday 18th December 2020
Spring Term 2021	
School Opens	Tuesday 5th January 2021
Half Term	Monday 15th — Friday 19th February
School Closes	Friday 26th March
Summer Term 2021	
School Opens	Monday 12th April
May Day	Monday 3rd May
Half Term	Monday 31st May— Friday 4th June
School closes	Friday 9th July

Dates for your Diary

October

Thursday 1st

Special School Dinner Menu for Census Day (look out for email early next week)

November

Tuesday 3rd

Seasonal Flu Vaccination—whole school

WELLBEING

Please copy the link below to find some useful resources while we are all going through these unusual times

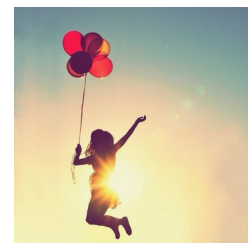
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Rebuild and recover resources : Mentally Healthy Schools

Mentally Healthy Schools was originally developed in partnership between the Anna Freud Centre, Young Minds, Place2Be and The Royal Foundation as a legacy project of the Heads Together campaign.

www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk



NEW SCHOOL MENU FROM 28TH SEPTEMBER

This was emailed to all parents on Wednesday and is available to view on the school website.

Reminder of class Times

Headlice

A gentle reminder the only way we can eradicate nits or for every family to check and treat on a regular basis. Lets do it this weekend and beat them. Thank you for your help in this matter.



Group	Start time	Finish Time	PE day Please wear PE kit to school on this day.
Tigers Class	8.50	3.00 pm	Thursday
Hedgehog & Polar Bear Class	8.40	3.10 pm	Tuesday
Otters and Penguins Class	8.50	3.10 pm	Friday
Puma and Turtle Class	8.40	3.20 pm	Wednesday

SPOTLIGHT ON EXCELLENCE - Positive Relationships

Since returning to school, I have been delighted to see so many of our children re-establishing their friendships, and very quickly our classrooms and playgrounds were filled with the happy sounds of children getting along. Although things might be a little different, it is amazing how fast children adapt to new routines, and lunchtimes are already times of fun conversations and new and interesting variations of games. I have also been pleased to see so many children returning to school with a great attitude to learning and showing consideration and respect for others. Like all of us, St Peter's children have been keen to get back into as normal a pattern as possible and being back with friends and teachers is a big part of that. Forming a positive relationship between children and all adults in school right from the start is vital in helping children be successful and achieving as much as they can in their time with us, something which is very important now more than ever.

Mr Bolstridge



MR B'S BOOKS OF THE WEEK

EYFS - Super Milly and The Super School Day - Stephanie Clarkson

KS1 - The Pirate Captain's Cat - Phillip Ardagh

LKS2 - The Invasion of Crooked Oak - Dan Smith

UKS2 - Boy Giant - Michael Morpurgo

