



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

10th February 2023

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Dear Parents,

Many thanks to so many of you for your kind words and messages on learning of my forthcoming retirement in the summer. They have really been appreciated. St Peter's pupils and families have certainly been one of the highlights of my time as headteacher and I have sincerely enjoyed working with you all.

I look forward to this continuing and welcoming you into school for our English morning on Monday.

Mrs Banks

IMPORTANT REMINDER

PHONE DAILY TO REPORT A CHILD'S ABSENCE BEFORE 9.00AM—Thank you

Please help the office who are responsible for ensuring we have a reason for your child's absence. Please phone daily by 9.00 am the answer machine is always on. As per our attendance policy there is an expectation parents phone daily. It helps immensely if the office don't have to make phone calls chasing reasons.

Spotlight on Parent Support

All the staff at St Peter's are incredibly appreciative of the support we have from parents. This support comes in many different forms, such as attending our Open Mornings, generous offers to help transport children and items and kind donations that help our school and, most importantly, our children.

These are just some examples, and there are many more besides. I would just like to say that we are really grateful, and I believe that the relationship that exists between parents and the school is what gives St Peter's that warm, community feeling. Long may it continue.

Mr B



WASP s Event 17th February –Wear What You Love Day

We are approaching our first event of the new year – **Wear What You Love Day** on Friday 17th February 2023, send your children in to school wearing something they love together with a £1 donation to kick start our fundraising for 2023. Hard work has already started in organising the

Summer Fair in June and we hope it will be bigger and better than last year's fabulous event, see our Facebook pages for details of the great stalls already booked to attend. Please continue to support us in our efforts to raise £10,000 for the Library renovation, we are over ½ way there but still have a long way to go. If anyone is interested in joining the PTA please let the school know and they will pass on your details to the team.

Regards

Jo Hurst

HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2022—2023

February

Monday 20th—Friday 24th—Half Term Break

April

Monday 3rd—Friday 14th—Easter Break

Monday 17th April—school Opens

May

Monday 1st May—Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May—Kings Coronation

Monday 29th—Friday 2nd June—Half Term

July

School closes Thursday 13th July

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February

Monday 13th English Open Morning

March

Friday 3rd World Book Day

Monday 6th Author Visit (WASPS)

Tuesday 14th Maths Parent Morning

Thurs 16th Theatre performance

Friday 17th Fire service visit

Thursday 30th Sponsored Bunny Run (WASPS)

June

Saturday 10th Summer Fayre

July

Tuesday 11th Leavers Disco

ATTENDANCE

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

23/01/23	97.41%	Tigers
30/01/23	97.14 %	Orangutans

Mr B's Wellbeing Books of the Week

EYFS - **The Worrying Worries: Rachel Rooney**

KS1 - **The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The**

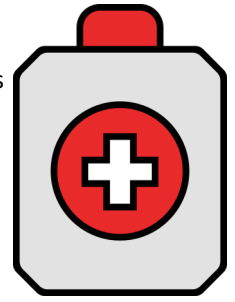
Horse: Charlie Mackstay

LKS2 - **You Can: Alexandra Strick**

UKS2 - **Break the Mould: Sinead Burke**

Donation of Medicine

We were overwhelmed with the kind donations of medicine when we last put a request out. Because of this generosity we were able to administer medicine to children during the school day if they developed headaches or tummy ache. We will always phone and gain permission to administer medicine. However, funds are low in school and we prioritise learning and the medicine donated is running low. We would be really grateful if any parent could donate a bottle of children's calpol.



Year 6 - Proud of work

As part of our topic Darwin's Dragon, we have learnt about Inheritance, Natural Selection and Artificial Selection - all of which are determined by DNA. To make this come alive, we worked scientifically following a method to extract DNA from a banana! Using simple ingredients (salt, washing-up liquid and surgical spirit) we managed to see and touch strands of DNA. We discovered that we share 50% of our DNA with a banana (!); 99.1% of our DNA with a chimpanzee and 99.9% of our DNA with all other humans. It is the 0.01% of our DNA which makes us all unique.

