



MARCH 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term has had a bit of everything in it in the three months between Christmas and Easter; plenty of rain, suggestions of spring, and a light mauling by the Beast from the East! All of this weather, however, is not just part and parcel of the current season, but also necessary for preparing nature for the full bloom of spring and the richness of summer that is to come. The children of St Peter's have also experienced this sense of preparation in the second half of the term, as they have engaged in the Lenten works of prayer, charity and fasting. It has not been easy for them to resist the temptations put before them, and the children have done exceptionally well to stick with the Roses chocolate challenge for a full 6 weeks. A temporary blip in the challenge in the penultimate week of the term (*for which the children of the school were **not** responsible!*) was overcome by the pupils, and I am pleased to report that their strength of spirit led to a meaningful contribution to CAFOD. That was added to the whole school fundraising for CAFOD, and a total donation amount will be shared when it is all counted.

The change of term also brings a small change to staffing; we say thank you and goodbye to Mrs Sumba, and welcome back from maternity leave Mrs Stewart.

Please do check school e-mails for information on Easter church services in our local parishes, and may I wish you all a restful and joyful Easter.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school at the normal time on **Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018**.

Mr R Cunningham  
Headteacher

**Attendance:**

**Whole School Attendance Target for 2017-18 = 97.5%**

Our whole school attendance is currently 96.8% and so we have some work to do if we are to hit our target by the end of the academic year. If we aim for **100% attendance and 100% punctuality** between now and the end of the summer term, we can provide our children with the best chance of success. Well done to the 283 pupils who have celebrated 100% attendance this half-term.

We understand that it is not always possible to achieve 100% attendance due to illness, medical conditions and unforeseen circumstances. Hampshire County Council have produced a helpful leaflet for parents, including a table to show different illnesses and what action to take;

<http://documents.hants.gov.uk/childrens-services/HIAS/Everydaycounts.pdf>

Below shows the attendance for each year group from the start of the academic year to date, compared with last month:

Year R – down at 95.5 %  
Year 1 – down at 96.1 %  
Year 2 – up at 96.9 %  
Year 3 – up at 97.4 %  
Year 4 – down at 97.2 %  
Year 5 – same at 96.2 %  
Year 6 – same at 97.8 %

***Continued...***

### **Attendance continued...**

Congratulations to Years 2 & 3 who both improved their attendance this month but it still was not enough to knock Year 6 off the top spot! They are still the only year group to exceed our whole school target of 97.5 %. Well done Year 6 but watch out, Year 3 is hot on your heels!

### **Punctuality:**

There has been a rise in lateness both in the mornings and on picking up children after school. Please note the following, taken from St Peter's Attendance Policy;

- Any child who arrives late (after registration at 8.50 a.m.) but before the close of registers at 9.10 a.m., will be marked as present but will be recorded as late on their individual record (L code).
- Any child arriving after the close of registers at 9.10 a.m. will be marked as on site but not counted as present; this will mean they have an unauthorised absence (U code).
- Please collect your child promptly at the end of the school day at 3.15 p.m. If your child is taking part in an after-school club please be aware of the different pick-up time and ensure that they are picked up promptly.
- If there is space available, the school will place a non-collected child into the after-school club and provide the parent/carer with the bill.
- Where late collection is persistent and/or significantly late, the school is obliged to take any uncollected pupil to a place of safety and share concerns, as necessary, with other agencies.

Please look at the Attendance Policy on the school website for further information. If you do not have access to the internet, please pop in to the school office and ask for a printed copy. Thank you to all those parents who work hard to get their children to school and collect them on time. Of course we will always do our best to help with those one-off, unexpected occasions.

### **Free School Meals:**

Calling **all** parents and carers!

Please check to see if your child is eligible for free school meals by following the link;

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/caterers/hc3S/freeschoolmeals.htm>

*"My child already has universal free school meals."* If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they do receive free school meals, you are right. However, if you sign up and they are eligible, they will continue to receive them automatically as they move in to Year 3, 4 etc. The school will also receive vital funding (pupil premium grant) to help your child and others attain their best in school.

*"My child has a packed lunch and doesn't want school dinners."* No problem but still see if they qualify anyway, as any extra funding that the school receives will help support your child in school. You could be saving yourself a substantial amount of money each year, not making packed lunches, if you encourage your child to try school dinners.

There is more information under the 'Parents' tab on the school website. You can also call Sue Martin at Hampshire County Council Catering Services (HC3S), on 023 80627738 to ask any questions. The Government's website also has information about who is eligible for free school meals, as well as more information on how to apply; <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>.

### **Chinwag Coffee Mornings:**

All are welcome to our coffee mornings for parents and carers of St Peter's, linking school with home and the community. Drop in to the school library between 9.00 a.m. - 10.00 a.m., come and meet others and find out something new from our special guest. Our next dates are;

Wed. 2<sup>nd</sup> May Guest: School Nurse - fussy eaters

Wed. 13<sup>th</sup> June Guest: School Nurse - anxiety and well-being

***Continued...***

*Continued...*

**On-Line Safety Talk for Parents and Carers – A date for your diaries:**

PCSO Lee Haywood will be visiting St Peter's to deliver an on-line safety talk for parents and carers on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> June. We are very lucky to secure this opportunity due to his informative presentation being available for a limited time only. There will be two opportunities on the day to attend; 9.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. Please make arrangements for childcare, as this is an adult only workshop due to the sensitive nature.

Keep an eye on the Child and Family Support Blog on the website for interesting articles and activities in the area. Please feel free to contact me if there is anything that you would like to discuss further, or need any help with.

Tricia Pelling, Child and Family Support Worker  
[p.pelling@stpeterswaterlooville.hants.sch.uk](mailto:p.pelling@stpeterswaterlooville.hants.sch.uk)  
Tel: 02392 262599 work mobile: 07474692736

**POETRY COMPETITION:**

Congratulations to all of our finalists in our recent Performance Poetry competition. A fantastic afternoon of poetry was had by the whole school on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March. An extra well done to our overall winners for each phase: Nicolas Baker who performed 'Blast Off'; James Riggs who performed 'Alligator' by Grace Nichols and Saoirse Lehane who performed 'The Pig' by Roald Dahl.

**Encouraging children to eat their vegetables:**

There has been a big focus on children eating their vegetables at lunchtime and, as a result, lots more children are now eating and enjoying them. We wanted to let you know so that if your child doesn't normally like their veggies at home, you may want to try them again.

Mrs B Gray, Catering Manager

**Lost Property:**

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD'S UNIFORM IS CLEARLY LABELLED. There is a lot of lost property not being claimed. If it is named, the office staff will take it down to your child's classroom. If your child inadvertently brings home an item which does not belong to them please return this to the school office. We know this can easily happen when the children are all changing together but would appreciate the items being returned, particularly if they are named as we can then ensure they are returned to the correct child. We know it can be very frustrating for parents who have done all they can to ensure their child does not lose their belongings. Please check the Lost Property area near the school office. **All items unclaimed by Easter will be disposed of.**

**Second Hand Uniform:**

There will be a sale of second hand uniform run by the Friends of St Peter's in school on **Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> April** from 2.45 p.m. until 4.00 p.m.

**Parking:**

If your child is entering school via the North Playground gate you should use the **drop off point** via the left hand lane, **NOT** the central visitors' car park - this is for parents who need to walk their Key Stage 1 child to the South Playground. If using the drop off please have your children ready to leave the car **quickly and safely**. Children can exit from any of the cars which are in the **drop off** zone, you do not need to wait until you are at the front, that way we can prevent a tailback of cars onto Stakes Hill Road. KS1 parents using the car park should make sure that they do not block the entrance and exit, even "just for a minute". Cars should be able to move through at all times. *(If the gate is **not** open, **please do not park at the drop off point** waiting for the gate to be opened).*

Anyone walking or coming to school on a scooter should use the pedestrian path through the playing fields. We would be grateful if parents could leave the site by this route too so we can keep pedestrians and cars separate.

**Please do NOT drop off or park on the mini roundabout near the main entrance to school during the morning drop off.**

Thank you for helping us to keep St Peter's safe for our families.

Mrs K Phillips, School Business Manager

School email: [adminoffice@stpeterswaterlooville.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@stpeterswaterlooville.hants.sch.uk)

Tel: 023 92262 599

### **Travelling Books:**

Thank you to all who came and supported our Travelling Book Fair. We raised an amazing, record breaking, £537.22. Mrs Domblides and the children from Story Club had the lovely job of choosing new books for the Library to the value of £262.00. Thank you also to the Friends of St Peter's who ran the Book Fair for me last Friday and at the Easter Eggstravaganza.

Mrs L Moore

### **LIBRARY NEWS:**

#### **Extreme Reading Photos**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our lovely display board which is now full of extreme reading pictures. The display will stay up for a while so please feel free to come and have a look on Mondays and Thursdays between 3.15 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.

#### **World Book Day Winners**

Thank you to all of the children who entered the competitions for World Book Day and congratulations to all of the winners who received a Roald Dahl pencil and pencil topper. There's a folder in the Library with all of the winning entries.

#### **Year 2 Book Review Challenge**

The Year 2 book review challenge has finished and I am delighted to tell you that we have had a record number of children participating. Congratulations to all of the children who took part and completed either 3, 6 or 12 book reviews. Special congratulations go to the following children for continuing and completing more than 12 book reviews: Nethania Eldo (14 reviews), Amelia Durbin (15 reviews), Diyona Biju (16 reviews), Calin Stan (27 reviews) and Sophie Woodings (27 reviews).

In total, 45 children took part and they wrote a massive 287 book reviews between them. **WELL DONE!**

#### **Waterlooville Library Events**

Waterlooville Library will be hosting some events over the Easter Half Term. They have a Book Bugs Club: Story Time and Nature Activity on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. at Billy's Lake, Waterlooville. They also have a Bee Keeping Activity on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> April between 10.00 a.m. and 12 noon. Both of these activities are free. For more information please contact Waterlooville Library.

#### **Travelling Book Fair**

A huge thank you to Mrs Moore for organising and running the travelling book fair and for raising a massive £262 to spend on books for the School Library. Thank you also to the children of book club for helping choose some of our new books.

Mrs S Domblides, School Librarian

#### **Cleaner Needed:**

Our contract cleaners, Alliance UK, are currently recruiting a new cleaner for St Peter's. The hours offered are after school for 10-12 hours per week. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please ask them to call Alliance on 02392 265824 for further information.

#### **Spaces in current Year 3:**

At St Peter's, when children move from KS1 to KS2, the Governors decided some years ago to increase the number of pupils on roll from 60 to 64 in the year group. This year we are in the exceptional position of being able to offer vacancies in our current Year 3 classes. If you know of any family who may like to enquire about a place in Year 3 for their child, please contact Mrs J Synyer on 023 92262599 or email to [j.synyer@stpeterswaterlooville.hants.sch.uk](mailto:j.synyer@stpeterswaterlooville.hants.sch.uk).

#### **SPARE CLOTHING:**

Can you help please? We are in urgent need of spare pairs of pants and grey tights for our younger girls in KS1 – ages 4 up to 7. If you have any at home that you no longer require, could you please bring them into school. We would be most grateful. Thank you.

### **Sports:**

March has been a great month for sports events.

6 children from Year 1 went to Horndean Technology College and took part in a Racket Skills Festival. The idea behind the festival is to provide the children with an experience of a number of racket focused sports. It involves a number of sports including: Tennis, Table Tennis, Badminton and Squash. The children did really well and came first, each child received a GOLD medal and a certificate.

Year 6 entered two teams in the Y6 Tag Rugby Festival on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> at Havant College. The teams were the Warriors and the Lions. They had been devoted to practising after school with their Coach, Mr Crozier, our Deputy Headteacher, which paid off on the day. They showed real team work, the teams were in different Leagues so were able to support each other when they weren't playing a match. The Warriors had 7 games to play: won 5, drew 1 and lost 1. They came joint SILVER with Queens Enclosure School so had to have a re-match, it was a close call but Queens Enclosure won the SILVER which meant the Warriors did extremely well and came back to school with the BRONZE medal from their League. The Lions played 5 games: won 4 and drew 1. They also played amazingly well and came back with the SILVER medal from their League.

10 children from Year 2 also went to a Tag Rugby Festival at Havant College. This was an opportunity to have an introduction to Tag Rugby. The children learnt various ball skills and had short matches. The children had an amazing experience. They came second and came back to school with SILVER medals.

We have more exciting sports events coming up next term.

Mrs J Spicer

### **Do you have a digital camera you no longer use?:**

If you have a palm-sized digital camera with charging lead that you no longer require, would you consider donating it to the school? We recommend you remove the memory card so you have your photos for safe keeping but any new or cleared cards would be welcome too - just hand in to the school office.

### **GOVERNOR NEWS:**

This month, the full governing body has been delighted by the fantastic whole school events that have taken place at St Peter's, to enable the children to enjoy a broad and engaging school curriculum.

In the recent KS1 and KS2 poetry competitions, for example, the governors enjoyed forming part of an adjudicating panel alongside the senior leadership team. The panel witnessed an impressive range of talent and performance skills across each year group. It was clear to see that the children had considered the origin and style of their poems. As a community, parents, teachers and governors were able to collectively celebrate pupils' achievements and successes. Likewise, World Book day enabled all of the children and staff at St. Peter's to share their love of reading and creative costumes! Many children have now been inspired to read books by different authors, from this month's Travelling Book Fair.

The governing body is committed to ensuring that St. Peter's delivers the best education and care for its pupils, through an all-encompassing spiritual ethos where pupils feel safe and happy. We look forward to updating you on St. Peter's continuing progress, in April.

Daisy Honeywell, School Governor

## **FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S:**

I am sure you like me, are looking forward to the end of term holidays. Our children have all been very busy and are now very tired and ready for this long Easter break.

We had a really great Mother's Day Sale and a very good Easter Egg Hunt. All the children had a fabulous day, and I think a lot of the parents had a fun day too. For those of you who couldn't make it due to family commitments and missed the Second Hand Uniform Sale that we held, we are organizing another one next term. This will be held on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2.45 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Parents/Carers, let's not forget the Grandparents too, who helped out at both of these events, without you we would not be able to hold these events for our children. St Peter's School are very lucky to be able to say that we have a very active PTA team in our school, and this is only possible with all the volunteers who help out.

So, let's talk about what's coming up for the rest of the year.

### **Father's Day Sale**

After a huge request from a lot of the parents and children, Friends of St Peter's will be holding a Father's Day Sale. A date has not yet been agreed with the school for availability of the school hall, but watch this space as a date will be advertised at the beginning of next term, and as always, a flyer will go out in the book bags giving full details.

### **Bring A Bottle Day**

This is a day where we ask all Parent/Carers to help support Friends of St Peter's by bringing to school a bottle of wine, whisky, well anything so long as it has not been opened and is in date. All the bottle donations will go into the Bottle Stall at the Summer Fest to help raise money for our school. More information will be given nearer the time when the date has been confirmed with the school.

### **Summer Fest**

This year the Summer Fest is being held on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> June 5.30 p.m. – 8.00 p.m.

Pre-booked tickets will cost £5.00 and tickets on the night will cost £6.00. The theme this year is a Beach Party, so dig out those shorts and sunglasses. Yes Dads this is the event that you can wear that loud shirt as anything goes, Mum's dig out the flip flops, get the Prosecco chilled. I have ordered the sunshine this year, so slip on a hat and slap on the sun cream, it's Party Time.

We have an Assault Course, Bouncy Castle, Tea Cup and Saucer ride, train rides, BBQ and a Beer Tent. As always we will have the Bottle Stall, the Big Raffle of the Year with lots of prizes for you to win and lots more. Tickets will be going on sale in May so keep an eye out in the book bags for the flyer and don't forget that you are more than welcome to bring your own picnic and alcohol or just let us do the cooking and just sit back and relax while the children run about having fun. Siblings are more than welcome to come along even if they do not attend St Peter's School, but you will have to purchase tickets for them, (pre-school children are free).

Can I just take this opportunity to thank everybody who comes along to these events to support us, by purchasing your tickets it enables us to arrange these fabulous events for our children.

Friends of St Peters, Chair Angela McLaughlin  
[salonak@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:salonak@hotmail.co.uk)

#### **400 Club: JANUARY 2018**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> prize</b>	<b>£59.25</b>	<b>No. 120</b>	<b>Mrs S Alexander</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> prize</b>	<b>£35.55</b>	<b>No. 234</b>	<b>Mrs N Cunningham</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> prize</b>	<b>£11.85</b>	<b>No. 148</b>	<b>Mrs S Agathangelou</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> prize</b>	<b>£11.85</b>	<b>No. 454</b>	<b>Mrs Mr J Gray</b>

**400 Club      FEBRUARY 2018**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> prize</b>	<b>£58.50</b>	<b>No. 382</b>	<b>Mrs Garvey</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> prize</b>	<b>£35.10</b>	<b>No. 377</b>	<b>Mrs Garvey</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> prize</b>	<b>£11.70</b>	<b>No. 199</b>	<b>Mrs Parker</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> prize</b>	<b>£11.70</b>	<b>No. 396</b>	<b>Mrs Baines</b>

**GOLDEN LEAVES – week beginning 26.02.18**

<b>RM Cieran Nunez</b>	<b>RJ Jonathan John</b>
<b>1L Abigail Penwarden</b>	<b>1S Evan Gray</b>
<b>2A Jocelyn Shijo</b>	<b>2OK Brayden Dewane</b>
<b>3CL Alfie Wingrove-Cross</b>	<b>3H Hanna Halas</b>
<b>4F Sophie Lictaoa</b>	<b>4HA Marissa Moreton-Pedrosa</b>
<b>5E Orla Carey</b>	<b>5T Yohan Jossy</b>
<b>6P Ashleigh Blofield</b>	<b>6S Isabelle Kosoko</b>

**GOLDEN LEAVES – week beginning 05.03.18**

<b>RM Luke Williams</b>	<b>RJ Laura Carpenter</b>
<b>1L Julia Tomala</b>	<b>1S George Burrige</b>
<b>2A Nethania Eldo</b>	<b>2OK Amelia Durbin</b>
<b>3CL Savannah Gardner</b>	<b>3H Jacob Chapman</b>
<b>4F Evelyn Moseley</b>	<b>4HA Eniola Akintunde</b>
<b>5E Ethan Baker</b>	<b>5T Lily Tan</b>
<b>6P Hannah Oliver</b>	<b>6S Joshua Tony</b>

**GOLDEN LEAVES – week beginning 12.03.18**

<b>RM no Golden Leaf this week</b>	<b>RJ no Golden Leaf this week</b>
<b>1L Joshua Watson</b>	<b>1S Pheobe Howes</b>
<b>2A Callum Redshaw</b>	<b>2OK Cody Barber-Ford</b>
<b>3CL Taylor Bryden</b>	<b>3H Aston Lewendon</b>
<b>4F Ansley-John Noblefranca</b>	<b>4HA Tilly Groves</b>
<b>5E no Golden Leaf this week</b>	<b>5T no Golden Leaf this week</b>
<b>6P Samuel Clarke</b>	<b>6S Mia Wilson</b>

**GOLDEN LEAVES – week beginning 19.03.18**

<b>RM Joshua Smith</b>	<b>RJ Jay Tomkins</b>
<b>1L Dexter Challis</b>	<b>1S Edward Hobby</b>
<b>2A Georgia Macdowell</b>	<b>2OK Emelia Pereira</b>
<b>3CL Promise Mndzebele</b>	<b>3H Oliver Cook</b>
<b>4F Emily Scarborough</b>	<b>4HA Cameron McIntyre</b>
<b>5E Orla Carey</b>	<b>5T Kristopher Baker</b>
<b>6P Blake Morgan</b>	<b>6S Charlie Dognini</b>

## **DIARY DATES:**

30 Mar

Good Friday - School closed for pupils

### **APRIL**

2 – 13 April

Easter Holiday – School closed for pupils

16 Apr

Summer Term starts - school re-opens for pupils at 8.50 a.m.

20 Apr

Growth Mindset and 6C Day

27 Apr

1.00 p.m. Drama Workshop

27 Apr

Second Hand Uniform Sale 2.45 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

### **MAY**

1 May

Y5 & 6 Mass at Church 10.20 a.m.

2 May

Chinwag Coffee Morning 9.00 a.m. in School Library

7 May

Early May Bank Holiday - School closed for pupils

8 May

Y1 Liturgy at 10.20 a.m.

11 May

1.00 p.m. Drama Workshop

14 May

KS2 SATs Week

22 May

Class Photographs 9.00 a.m. in School Hall

25 May

1.00 p.m. Drama Workshop

28 May – 1 June

Summer Half term

### **JUNE**

4 June

School re-opens for pupils at 8.50 a.m.

8 June

1.00 p.m. Drama Workshop

12 June

YR Liturgy at 10.20 a.m.

13 June

Chinwag Coffee Morning 9.00 a.m. in School Library

19 June

Y3 & 4 Mass at Church 10.20 a.m.

20 June

SPORTS DAY

22 June

1.00 p.m. Drama Workshop

25 June

Y6 Bikeability all week

29 June

St Peter & St Paul Mass at 10.20 a.m.

29 June

Summer Fest 5.30 p.m. 8.00 p.m.

### **JULY**

3 July

Y2 Liturgy at 10.20 a.m.

4 July

Reserve SPORTS DAY

6 July

1.00 p.m. Drama Workshop

6 July

Year 4 Camping on School Field

11 July

Y6 Show 6.30 – 8.30 p.m.

13 July

Y6 to Oaklands for Y7 Induction Day

17 July

Leavers' Mass at 1.30 p.m.

18 July

Y6 Fun Day

19 July

Last day of summer term for pupils – school finishes at 3.15 p.m.

20 July

INSET DAY – School closed for pupils

## DIARY DATES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/2019

### SEPT 2018

3 Sept INSET DAY – School closed for pupils  
4 Sept Autumn Term - School Opens for pupils at 8.50 a.m.  
28 Sept INSET DAY – School closed for pupils

### OCT 2018

22 - 26 Oct Autumn Half term – School closed for pupils  
29 Oct School re-opens for pupils at 8.50 a.m.

### NOV 2018

30 Nov INSET DAY – School closed for pupils

### DEC 2018

20 Dec Last day of Autumn term for pupils – school finishes at 3.15 p.m.  
21 Dec INSET DAY – School closed for pupils  
24 Dec – 4 Jan Christmas holidays – School closed for pupils

### JAN 2019

7 Jan Spring Term - School re-opens for pupils at 8.50 a.m.

### FEB 2019

18 - 22 Feb Spring Half term – School closed for pupils  
25 Feb School re-opens for pupils at 8.50 a.m.

### APRIL 2019

5 April Inset day - School closed to pupils  
8 – 19 April Easter holidays – School closed for pupils  
22 April Easter Monday – Bank Holiday - school closed to pupils  
23 April Summer term - School re-opens for pupils at 8.50 a.m.

### MAY 2019

6 May May Bank Holiday – School closed for pupils  
27 May- 31 May 2019 Summer half term – School closed for pupils

### JUNE 2019

3 June School re-opens for pupils at 8.50 a.m.

### JULY 2019

23 July Last day of summer term for pupils – school finishes at 3.15 p.m.