



APRIL 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone in the St Peter's community who did so much to work towards the three principle works of Lent; prayer, fasting and charity. Even though we are now well into the liturgical season of Easter, the process of counting up our Lenten fundraising is on-going. Our running total is over £480, and families can still add to that by bringing in any CAFOD collection pyramids full of coins. St Peter's school hopes that through prayer, and charity via the work of CAFOD, our pupils can benefit the lives of people around the world that they will never meet.

Plans for the summer term are well underway by the Friends of St Peter's group, and there are details within this newsletter giving dates and requesting volunteers over the coming weeks. Anything that can be done to help them helps the school, and so helps our children, so the benefits are plentiful and close to home.

The recent hint of summer was, sadly, just that, and there is a lot to do before the end of the school year. One thing I learnt during my first year at St Peter's was that the pupil's learning and hard work goes on in every year group right up until the very last day of term. There is no down time in a packed school curriculum, so every school day remains important right up until Thursday, 20th July 2018. Though the temptations of a much cheaper family holiday during term time are great, I would encourage families please to resist such options for the benefit and continuity of their children's education.

Mr R Cunningham
Headteacher

Attendance

Whole School Attendance Target for 2017-18 = 97.5%

Our whole school attendance is currently 96.7%. Please aim for **100% attendance and 100% punctuality** as far as possible until the end of the term.

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 95.4 %
Year 1 – up at 96.2 %
Year 2 – down at 96.7 %
Year 3 – up at 97.5 %
Year 4 – up at 97.4 %
Year 5 – same at 96.2 %
Year 6 – down at 97.6 %

Well done to Years 1, 3 & 4 who both improved their attendance this month. Year 6 still have the highest attendance in the school and are the only year group to exceed our whole school target of 97.5 %.

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Attendance continued...

Please collect your child promptly at the end of the school day at 3.15pm. 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, as stated in the school Attendance Policy. Thank you to all parents and carers who work hard to ensure that their children are in school regularly and on time.

Chinwag Coffee Mornings

Drop in to the school library between 9.00-10.00 a.m., come and meet others and find out something new from our special guest. Our next dates are;

Wed 2nd May Guest: School Nurse - **fussy eaters**

Wed 13th June Guest: School Nurse - **anxiety and well-being**

Wed 11th July Guest: TBA

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, 5th 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 a.m. and 6 p.m. Please make arrangements for childcare, as this is an adult only workshop due to the sensitive nature. There will be a letter to follow shortly to sign up for a session.

Tricia Pelling, Child and Family Support Worker

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Would you like to help with our Willow Dome?

Our willow dome on the playing fields is in need of a tidy up. The growing willows need weaving in and a little light pruning is also required - no great skill is needed to do the job. Are you able to help make this a lovely place for our children to use? Please contact Mrs Phillips in the school office if you can help. Thank you.

Vacancies for Parent Governors

St Peter's currently has vacancies for **two** parent governors. Please consider taking on this vital role for the school. Application forms should be returned by 12 noon on Tuesday 8th May. If you would like further information please ask Mrs Phillips in the school office.

LIBRARY NEWS:

Year 4 & 5 book review challenge

We have just started a book review challenge for all year 4 and year 5 children. All they have to do is complete 3, 6 or 12 book reviews and at each stage, they will receive a certificate and a reward. The competition will run until Monday, 18th June. The children will need to borrow a book from the SCHOOL LIBRARY and can then complete a review booklet available from Mrs D.

Hampshire Picture Book Awards

Year 1 children have been taking part in the HPBA. They have spent 6 weeks looking at 4 short listed picture books and voted for their favourite. This year's winner was Danny Mcgee Drinks the Sea written by Andy Stanton.

Hampshire Information Book Awards

Year 4 children have been taking part in the HInBA. They spent 6 weeks looking at 5 short listed information books and voted for their favourite. This year's winner was Oceans and Seas written by Steve Parker.

Mrs S Domblides, School Librarian

Clear Plastic Bottles and Fabric:

Can you help please? We are in need of EMPTY clear plastic 2 litre drinks bottles and 500 ml EMPTY clear plastic drinks bottles. If you have any of these at home you have finished with could you please bring them into school.

Can you also please help us by donating any remnants of fabric that you no longer need at home so that we can make bunting from it.

These items are required for two art projects which will be starting in school shortly. Thank you.

Second Hand Uniform:

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

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 News:

8 children from Year 3 took part in a Tennis Tournament, which was held at Denmead Tennis Club. There was a great turn out of schools who attended this event and it was a good opportunity for the children to meet children from other schools. Our team did extremely well and came third out of all teams.

SPORTS EVENTS COMING UP THIS TERM

21st May - Year 4 & Year 5 Quadkids

6th June - Year R & Year 1 Quadkids

11th June - Year 2 Tri Golf

18th June - Orienteering

Mrs J Spicer

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.

FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S:

Welcome back to the summer term, and I hope you all had a fabulous Easter Break. Let's talk about the events that are coming up for you all.

Father's Day Sale

Tuesday, 12th and Wednesday, 13th June 2018

After receiving a lot of requests from the children for a Father's Day Sale, we have decided to hold one this year and hope that it is as successful as the Mother's Day one.

All gifts will cost £3.00 and all you have to do is provide your child/children with the money on the correct day allocated to your child's class. A flyer will be going out in your child's book bag in the next few weeks explaining everything you need to know. All gifts will come pre-wrapped, so all the children have to do is hide their present until Father's Day. We have Volunteers out shopping finding those gifts that we know all fathers want/need.

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FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S continued ...

Summer Fest

Friday, 29th June 5.30 p.m. – 8.00 p.m.

This year the theme for the Summer Fest is Beach Party. We have lots of attractions booked already for this event, which I think the children are going to love, for example SeaWorld Obstacle Course, Wooden Train Ride, and a Cup & Saucer Ride. As always we will have the BBQ there selling burgers, hotdogs and chips, the beer tent will be with us selling beer, Pimm's and cold drinks, plus we have candy-floss and ice-creams for sell. We have lots of other stalls there, bottle stall, sweets, toys, Hook a Duck, and Tin Can Alley. This is always a great night for all of the family to come along and spend time together having fun. Tickets will cost £5.00 per person pre-booked and £6.00 on the night at the gate. Flyers will be in the book bags nearer the time, where you will be able to pre-book your tickets.

Bring a Bottle Non-Uniform day

Friday, 22nd June 2018

The "bring a bottle" day, for those of you who have not been involved in one of these before at St Peter's, is about all children bringing a bottle of anything – wine, beer, soft drinks, whatever you can afford, so long as it is in date and has not been opened, into school on this date, and your child/children may come into school in non-uniform. Mr Cunningham has given Friends of St Peters permission to allow the children to attend school in non-uniform if they bring in a bottle. These bottles will then be used at the Summer Fest on the bottle stall where you can purchase a ticket or two and for every ticket you purchase there will be a prize. It's a **Win Win** for everybody. All monies that are raised at the Summer Fest will go back into the school.

There will be Volunteers in school on the morning of Friday, 22nd to collect the bottles from the children. If your child goes to breakfast club then there will be boxes placed in the hall for your child to place their bottles in.

If you have more than one child at the school, we are more than happy for you to send in just one bottle to cover the whole family, please do not feel that you must send in a bottle for each child.

Thank you for taking the time to read this Newsletter.

Friends of St Peters, Chair Angela McLaughlin
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GOVERNOR NEWS:

Governors have recently enjoyed meeting as many parents as possible at the March parents evenings. Thank you so much to you kind people for giving up your time to fill in our parent questionnaire, it is a fantastic help in allowing us to see the school from your perspective.

Thank you also to all those who made comments about the proposed new building. During our April governors meeting we discussed these plans in further detail. We are excited to watch as more progress is made towards what will certainly be a great asset to the school.

Governors continue to closely scrutinise the school's budget and ask questions about the school improvement plan. We visit the school where ever possible to meet pupils, staff and leaders, and share in the religious life of the community.

Jennifer North, Foundation Governor

400 Club: JANUARY 2018

1st prize	£57.25	No. 7	Mrs A Kelly
2nd prize	£34.35	No. 401	Mrs J Heathcote
3rd prize	£11.45	No. 242	Mr J Stewart
4th prize	£11.45	No. 212	Mrs Persiano-Hardie

GOLDEN LEAVES – week beginning 26.03.18

RM Evie Nicholls	RJ Maksym Plizga
1L Sophie Kurowska	1S Harriet Caizley
2A Leo Duthie	2OK Amelia Jino
3CL Leo Veal	3H Filip Machedon
4F Joshua Renji	4HA Benita Byju
5E Vinnie Inman	5T Joshua Hunter
6P Kieran Whittamore	6S Matthew Evans

GOLDEN LEAVES – week beginning 16.04.18

RM Tommy Dognini	RJ Christopher Boateng
1L Jonah Kettell	1S Connie Bignell
2A Caleb Dunaway	2OK Tommy Cook
3CL Taylor Bryden	3H Hanna Halas
4F Ben Hamilton	4HA Amelia Morris
5E Nathan Jose	5T Emma Mpario
6P Liam Benn	6S Samuel Ford

GOLDEN LEAVES – week beginning 23.04.18

RM Henry Bonnington	RJ Grace Joynson
1L Aimee Best	1S Jessica Jupp
2A Natalia Hardingham	2OK Brayden Dewane
3CL Faith Martin	3H Poppy Taylor-Sayers
4F Evie Moseley	4HA Sihanua Sumba
5E Joseph Tyler	5T Millie Worrall
6P Hannah Oliver	6S Gabriel Ryan

DIARY DATES:

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

MAY

1 May	Y3 & 4 Mass at Church 10.20 a.m.
1 May	YR to Tuppeny Barn 9.30 a.m. – 2.30 p.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
21 May	8 x Y5 Quadkids to Havant Academy 1.00 p.m.
22 May	Class Photographs 9.00 a.m. in School Hall
24 May	Class 4HA to Staunton Farm
25 May	Class 4F to Staunton Farm
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.
5 June	On-line Safety session for Parents 9.00 am. and 6 p.m.
6 June	10 x YR Quadkids to Sharps Copse School 9.30 a.m.
6 June	10 x Y1 Quadkids to Sharps Copse School 1.00 p.m.
6 June	NEW YR Welcome Meeting 1 - 6.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.
8 June	1.00 p.m. Drama Workshop
11 June	10 x Y2 Tri Golf to St James's Primary School 10.00 a.m.
12 June	YR Liturgy at 10.20 a.m.
12 June	Father's Day Gift Sale 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.
13 June	Chinwag Coffee Morning 9.00 a.m. in School Library
13 June	Father's Day Gift Sale 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.
14 June	School Nurse visiting summer born Reception pupils 9.00 a.m.
15 June	Y4 visit to Mary Rose
18 June	5 x Y4 Orienteering at Staunton Farm 1.00 p.m.
19 June	Y5 & 6 Mass at Church 10.20 a.m.
20 June	SPORTS DAY
21 June	Annual School Mass at Portsmouth Cathedral
22 June	Bring a Bottle Day and Non-uniform
22 June	1.00 p.m. Drama Workshop
25 June	8 x Y6 Gifted and Talented to Havant Academy 12.30 p.m.
25-29 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

2 – 6 July	NEW YR Taster Lunches
2 July	NEW YR Stay and Play 9.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.
3 July	Y2 Liturgy at 10.20 a.m.
4 July	Reserve SPORTS DAY
6 July	NEW YR Stay and Play 9.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.
6 July	Transition Morning 9.15 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.
6 July	1.00 p.m. Drama Workshop
6 July	Year 4 Camping on School Field
9 July	NEW YR Stay and Play 9.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.
9 July	Transition Afternoon 1.15 p.m. – 2.45 p.m.
9 July	NEW YR Welcome Meeting 2 - 6.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.
10 July	Classes RM, RJ, 1L, 1S and 2A Drama Workshop in Hall
10 July	Class 2OK Drama Workshop in classroom 11.30 a.m.
11 July	Chinwag Coffee Morning 9.00 a.m. in School Library
11 July	Y6 Show 1.30 p.m. – PUPILS ONLY
11 July	Y6 Show 6.30 – 8.30 p.m.
13 July	Whole school Transition Day 9.30 a.m. – 3.15 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.