



## FEBRUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

### NEWS FROM MR. CUNNINGHAM

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring term at St Peter's. We now find ourselves with more of the academic year behind us than ahead of us in the 2018-2019 school calendar, so it is an opportune time to recommit to learning goals for the next term and a half.

In the first week of March the school will host Parent Consultation evenings, providing a chance for you to meet with your child's teacher to discuss progress made and next steps ahead. An important part of securing good progress is to dedicate some time each day to home learning, so that children can embed the basics through personal practice. The best areas to focus on for home learning are spellings, times tables and reading. Learning spellings helps not just in remembering words on a set list, but also the rules that apply to similar word types which will be presented in a subsequent spelling test. Times table revision helps with number confidence and arithmetic ability, meaning that when back in school pupils are able to apply mathematical facts with ease when dealing with complex reasoning questions. Reading on a daily basis helps children to become better writers as they experience new styles and genres of text, as well as stimulating the imagination, feeding knowledge about the world and offering a period of relaxation in reading for pleasure. Supporting your child with home learning can be supported by using their home spelling books and referring to the multiplication tables printed in homework diaries, and there are a range of on-line resources which can help with spelling and arithmetic without the need to plan lessons and mark papers yourselves at home! I am pleased to be able to count on your continued support for our hard work in securing the best possible learning and progress for the children at St Peter's over the coming 5 months.

*Mr. R. Cunningham, Headteacher*

### PARENT'S CONSULTATION MEETINGS

Our Spring term parent's consultation meetings at St Peter's will be on Tuesday 5th March from 4pm to 7pm and Wednesday 6th March from 3.45 to 6.15 pm.

Booking is via our Scopay online system so please ensure that you have a Scopay login. The last date for online bookings is Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019.

*School Office*

*"To walk hand in hand with God, loving Him, loving each other and loving ourselves, doing our best with the gifts He gave us to make the world a better place"*

### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

The attendance target for the whole school is **97.5%**. Our attendance is currently below this target at **97.3%**, due to illness and also an increased number of unauthorised term time holidays.

Congratulations to the Year 1 classes who have had the best attendance so far since the start of the year, and who have also been the most punctual this half term.

There are still a number of children arriving late to school. Please note that registers are taken promptly at 8.50 am. The school is open from 8.00am for Breakfast Club and the school gates are open at 8.30am. It is very unsettling for a child to walk into their classroom late, disrupting the learning of others as well as missing out on their own learning.

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### GOVERNOR NEWS

We hope you have all had a restful holiday and are looking forward to the lighter evenings and school events of the Lenten half term.

It was with excitement and thankful prayer that some of the governors were able to witness the delivery of our much anticipated new building.

If you have followed the progress of the build on your journey to and from school, or through your children excitedly telling you the latest update of what is happening in the North playground you will be happy to see the building is now in place. As we eagerly await the final part of the project and the opening of the building we would like to thank you for your continued patience and support whilst the contractors are working on site and look forward to the future learning journeys that will take place here for our staff and pupils. Information and updates on the building work will be communicated through the school newsletters.

*Tonya Freeman, Foundation Governor*

## FRIENDS OF ST. PETER'S

Hello! We have been busy working behind the scenes planning the Mother's Day Sale and the St. Peter's Summer Fest:

### **Mother's Day Sale** - 26<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> March

There will be lots of gifts on sale, ranging between £1 - £5, for the children to purchase. Children can bring in money, up to a maximum value of £5. Please ensure children have their money available ready for the 26<sup>th</sup> March, for whichever date their class attends the sale. The gifts will be wrapped... so, no peeking!

### **St. Peter's Summer Fest** – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June.

This year's St. Peter's Summer Fest will have a "Country and Western" theme. Any offers of help, donations or ideas - please get in touch!

The next Friends of St. Peter's meeting is on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 3.30pm for those who can attend - everyone is welcome.

We have an email address:

**friendsofstpeters2019@outlook.com**

If you wish to get involved, receive updates or to even contact us, please drop us a line.

Thank you for your continued support.

*Charmaine Bennett (Chairperson)*

## NEW PARENT LITE APP COMING SOON

We will be rolling out the new Parent Lite App very soon. This is a convenient way for parents to electronically review and update their children's details (address, contact information, medical and dietary requirements etc.) via their phone, tablet, pc or laptop.

Further information will be sent by parent mail when we are ready to go live with the system.

*School Office*

## PLAY KITCHEN REQUEST

The Early Years team are on the lookout for any unwanted play kitchens that could be donated to the school for them to use. If you have a play kitchen that is no longer required, that you would like to donate to the school, please contact the School Office. Thank you in advance.

*School Office*

## LIBRARY NEWS

### **World Book Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

This year the theme for World Book Day is "Share a Story". We have decided to mark this year's theme by filming our very own series of bedtime stories, Each evening, from Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March through Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, we will post a video onto our school blog page of a member of staff sharing a story of their choice. Separate blogs for Key Stage One and Key Stage Two pupils will be available on our website and all your child has to do is click on the relevant blog page and watch the nightly video just before they head off to bed. We hope as many pupils as possible get involved and enjoy a bedtime story, read to them by a member of staff from St. Peter's.

As well as our exciting Bedtime Stories project, to celebrate World Book Day, every child will receive a £1 book token. When you get your book token, all you need to do is to take it to your local bookseller and swap it for one of the TEN (exclusive, new and completely FREE) World Book Day books. Or, if you'd prefer, your child can use their book token to get £1 off any full price book instead.

There will also be storytelling activities throughout the day and competitions in the library, as we celebrate the fabulous world of books and stories.

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, children and teachers are invited to dress up as a characters from their favourite book.

Happy World Book Day!

*Mrs. Porter, Librarian*

## INNER SECURITY DOOR – RECEPTION OFFICE

Could we please ask all our parents to remind their children that they should **not** reach up and release the switch for the inner security door and let themselves out in the main reception area. The security door is there to ensure the safety of **all** the children in school. School staff cannot be responsible for your child's safety if they are unaware that a child has let themselves out through the security door. Please reinforce this message with your child, reminding them that they should only leave the safety of the school building if they have spoken to a member of the school staff and that person knows they are leaving the building. If you need to look at lost property, please go via the reception office. Do not cut through from the playground.

*School Office*

## MORNING DROP OFF AND 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. The central visitor's car park is for parents who need to walk their Key Stage 1 child to the South Playground. When 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; there is a clearly marked pedestrian walkway along the low wall for this. 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. 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).*

Key Stage 1 parents using the car park should make sure that they do **not** block the entrance and exit, even "just for a minute". If there is no room you may need to go around the circuit one more time. The staff car parks are strictly for staff cars only. **The best way for a calm start to the school day is to park offsite and walk in.**

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

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.

In addition, we would like to remind all parents when picking up children from after school activities to park in a safe manner on the school site. Please do **not** join a queue of cars that will cause it to extend out onto the main road at the end of day and cause a danger to other road users. If there is a queue forming, please park off-site and walk into the school to pick up your child.

**Please park on local roads considerately and responsibly. Thank you for your co-operation.**

*Mr R Cunningham, Headteacher*

## WATER BOTTLES

Please ensure your child has their named water bottle in school at all times, especially as the weather gets warmer. We are trying to reduce the number of plastic cups being used in school, so encouraging children to use reusable bottles at all times.

*School Office*

## GOLDEN KEYS

### Week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019

<b>RD</b>	Maisie Hillier	<b>RJ</b>	Fia Panamchickal
<b>1L</b>	Isla Roberts	<b>1S</b>	Eva Underdown
<b>2A</b>	Julia Tomala	<b>2OK</b>	Mariarose Joshy
<b>3SS</b>	Sophia Gardner	<b>3H</b>	Aiden Downie
<b>4B</b>	Charlie Wright	<b>4S</b>	Joshua Hill
<b>5E</b>	Islwyn Mainwaring	<b>5CW</b>	Toby Collins
<b>6P</b>	Lily Rushton	<b>6L</b>	Kafui Djokey

### Week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019

<b>RD</b>	Catherine Cope	<b>RJ</b>	Amelia Knight
<b>1L</b>	Grace Joynson	<b>1S</b>	Ella Hope
<b>2A</b>	Daniel Dawson	<b>2OK</b>	Bella Barber-Ford
<b>3SS</b>	Joshua Houghton	<b>3H</b>	Emma Hirmiz
<b>4B</b>	Hollie King	<b>4S</b>	James Watson
<b>5E</b>	Max Perdu	<b>5CW</b>	Kian Marples
<b>6P</b>	Isla Gray	<b>6L</b>	Vincent Inman

### Week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019

<b>RD</b>	Rose Glasby	<b>RJ</b>	Ralph Jackson
<b>1L</b>	Neva Binu	<b>1S</b>	Olivia Durbin
<b>2A</b>	Aimee Best	<b>2OK</b>	Lucy-Jane Meadows
<b>3SS</b>	Calin Stan	<b>3H</b>	Olivia Jordan
<b>4B</b>	Lily Gozukucuk	<b>4S</b>	Chloe Hunter
<b>5E</b>	Eniola Akintunde	<b>5CW</b>	Tyris Asante
<b>6P</b>	Kyle Gardner	<b>6L</b>	Madeleine Heard-Laureote

## 400 CLUB WINNERS

NOVEMBER 2018		DECEMBER 2018	
1 <sup>st</sup> prize - <b>£49.25</b>	Imelda Howell (427)	1 <sup>st</sup> prize - <b>£48.00</b>	Sandra Johnson (331)
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize - <b>£29.55</b>	Angela Andrews (76)	2 <sup>nd</sup> prize - <b>£28.80</b>	Nicola Cunningham (33)
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize - <b>£9.85</b>	Julia Veal (43)	3 <sup>rd</sup> prize - <b>£9.60</b>	Anna Boden (91)
4 <sup>th</sup> prize - <b>£9.85</b>	Jo Garvey (382)	4 <sup>th</sup> prize - <b>£9.60</b>	Sandra Johnson (332)

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (newly added dates shown with \*\*\*)**

### **FEBRUARY 2019**

**28<sup>th</sup>** Year 5/ 5E Swimming Lessons commence (for 6 weeks to 4<sup>th</sup> April)

### **MARCH 2019**

**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>** Parental Consultation Meetings  
**6<sup>th</sup>** Ash Wednesday Service (Years 2 to 6, pupils only) – 2pm  
**7<sup>th</sup>** \*\*\* World Book Day  
**12<sup>th</sup>** Year 2 Liturgy (10 - 10.30am)  
**19<sup>th</sup>** Perform for Schools KS1 Drama Workshop for Pupils  
**26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>** Mothers' Day Sale  
**27<sup>th</sup>** Year 1 Phonics Workshop for Parents (10.30-11.30am)

### **APRIL 2019**

**2<sup>nd</sup>** Stations of the Cross (Years R, 1 and 2) – 1.30pm  
**3<sup>rd</sup>** Stations of the Cross (Year 3) – 1pm at Oaklands Chapel  
**3<sup>rd</sup>** Stations of the Cross (Year 4) – 2pm at Oaklands Chapel  
**4<sup>th</sup>** Stations of the Cross (Year 5) – 1pm at Oaklands Chapel  
**4<sup>th</sup>** Stations of the Cross (Year 6) – 2pm at Oaklands Chapel  
**5<sup>th</sup>** **INSET DAY** - School closed to pupils  
**8-19<sup>th</sup>** **EASTER HOLIDAYS** – School closed for pupils  
**22<sup>nd</sup>** **Easter Monday** – Bank Holiday - school closed to pupils  
**23<sup>rd</sup>** Summer term - School re-opens for pupils at 8.50am

### **MAY 2019**

**6<sup>th</sup>** **May Bank Holiday** – School closed for pupils  
**7<sup>th</sup>** Year R Trip to Queen Elizabeth Country Park  
**w/c 13<sup>th</sup>** KS2 SATS week  
**21<sup>st</sup>** Years 3 and 4 - Mass (at Church)  
**21<sup>st</sup>** Hampshire Fire and Rescue visiting Year 1  
**23<sup>rd</sup>** School reports issued for Years 1, 3, 4 and 5  
**23<sup>rd</sup>** Class Photos  
**27-31<sup>st</sup>** **SUMMER HALF TERM** – School closed for pupils

## JUNE 2019

3 <sup>rd</sup>	School re-opens for pupils at 8.50am
4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Liturgy (10 - 10.30am)
10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup>	Father's Day Sale (1 – 2pm)
11 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 and 6 - Mass (at Church)
12 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day
18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Liturgy (10 - 10.30am)
24 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Bikeability
25 <sup>th</sup>	Year R Liturgy (10 - 10.30am)
28 <sup>th</sup>	St. Peter's Summer Fest (5.30 – 8pm)

## JULY 2019

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Whole School Feast Day Mass (10.30 – 11.30am) – pupils only
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
3 <sup>rd</sup>	School reports issued for Year 2
5 <sup>th</sup>	Transition Morning (9.30 – 11.30am)
5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Camping (on school field after school / overnight)
12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Transition Day (Oaklands)
15 <sup>th</sup>	Oaklands new Year 7 Induction Evening
16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Show (6.30 – 8pm)
17 <sup>th</sup>	School reports issued for Years R and 6
19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Mass and Tea (1 – 3.30pm)
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Last day of summer term for pupils – school finishes at 3.15pm

## SEPTEMBER 2019

4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>INSET DAY</b> - School closed to pupils
5 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens for pupils at 8.50am
27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>INSET DAY</b> - School closed to pupils

## OCTOBER 2019

28th to 1<sup>st</sup> Nov **AUTUMN HALF TERM** – School closed for pupils

## NOVEMBER 2019

4 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens for pupils at 8.50am
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## DECEMBER 2019

20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>INSET DAY</b> - School closed to pupils
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**INSET** days 2020: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020 and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2020

Further dates for 2019/2020 term can be found on the School Website:

<https://www.stpeterswaterlooville.co.uk/index.php/key-information/term-dates>