



"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"

NEWS FROM MR. CUNNINGHAM

Welcome to the third term of the 2018-2019 school year at St Peter's. As usual, the weather often leads us to thinking that summer is just around the corner, but there is always a huge amount to be achieved in the summer term. Pupils in Year 6 will be working especially hard to prepare for their SATs, with the knowledge that they are putting themselves in the best possible position to flourish in Key Stage 3 come September at the start of their secondary school years. Year 2 and Year 1 pupils will also take part in statutory assessments in May and June, with school staff making sure that these remain low key and not stressful for the children taking part. Over the course of this term, teachers in other year groups will also conduct summative assessments to measure progress and identify areas for development, as well as writing reports for families to keep you informed on how well your children are doing at school.

There are a variety of celebrations to be had during the summer time, so please check the dates in this newsletter to support the Friends of St Peter's with their fundraising events. Sports day is a popular event, taking place this year on the morning of Friday 14 June (please note this is a re-arranged date). Of great importance to the St Peter's community is our worship; look out for the dates and times of in-school liturgies for Years R, 1 and 2; year group Masses for Years 3 and 4, and then Years 5 and 6, both at Sacred Heart and St Peter the Apostle Church in Waterloooville. And finally the Year 6 Leavers mass here in school at 1:30pm on Friday 19th July followed by cream tea is a great way to round off Key Stage 2 for those pupils bidding farewell. As usual, families are warmly invited to join us in school or at church to celebrate with us.

Mr. R. Cunningham, Headteacher

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Thank you for your continued support around attendance and punctuality. Whole school attendance is currently at 97.3% which is very good, and only just slightly under our ambitious target of 97.5%. In the half term before Easter, 274 pupils (63%), achieved 100% attendance and were awarded special stickers. This is an improvement from last year's 252 pupils.

For the Spring Term, each year group achieved the following attendance:

Year R	96.2%
Year 1	97.8%
Year 2	97.4%
Year 3	97.6%
Year 4	97.7%
Year 5	97.3%
Year 6	97.3%

Every year group achieved well above the national average of 95%, and above the Government expectation of 96%. Congratulations to Year 1 who achieved the highest attendance for last term, and to Years 1, 3 and 4 who achieved higher than our whole school target of 97.5%.

Since we have been focussing on punctuality there has been a significant improvement over the last term. In Spring 1 half-term, 111 pupils clocked up 272 lates between them. In Spring 2 before Easter, this dropped to 84 pupils and 211 lates registered. Thank you to everyone for making a big effort to improve this and giving your child the very best start to their day. We are working hard to reduce these lates to 0!

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OTHER NEWS FROM MRS. PELLING

Family Support

The wonderful season of exams/tests is upon us again! Many parents, carers and staff will have older children sitting exams this season. This can be a stressful time at home and this tension can have an impact on everyone in the family, including younger siblings at St Peter's.

Young Minds Charity have made some helpful suggestions on how to support your children through this important time. <https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/parents-guide-to-support-a-z/parents-guide-to-support-exam-time/>

Some children can cope with lots of stress, whilst others need a little bit of help. Author Kelly Roper suggests some ideas that can help children to cope and become more resilient. Please see the Child and Family Support Blog on the school website for more information about deep breathing, muscle relaxation and toe tensing!

Adult Skills Workshops

Havant Family Support Service are offering the following FREE workshops for parents and young adults (19 years+): Confidence Building, Employability Skills, Managing Anxiety and 1st Aid for Parents. If you are interested in any of these then please contact me for further information.

Well-Being

Havant and East Hants Mind are launching a "Safe Haven" for young people aged 11 to 17 within Havant Borough. The Safe Haven will provide a safe and confidential space for young people experiencing difficulty with their mental health or well-being. The service will open Tuesday the 30th of April 2019. Please see the poster below for further details.



GOVERNOR NEWS

Welcome to all staff, pupils and families as we return after a Holy and Happy Easter.

Governors, towards the end of last term, saw children sing at school Mass and one was pleased to be asked to judge the poetry competition. These occasions were lovely and our children showed their confidence. Thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The Governing Body wish the best to all children in Year 2 and Year 6 taking their SATS this final term of the year.

Imelda Howell, Foundation Governor

COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD CARNIVAL – 21ST JUNE

To support our whole school learning about different countries and cultures of the world, we will be concluding the topic with a carnival on Friday 21st June.

Each year group will focus on a nominated country. In the carnival, we will invite children to dress in customary clothing from their country. They will be performing dances, demonstrating music, and showcasing their understanding of their country.

The carnival will take place from 2pm, on the field (weather permitting). Parents are invited to come and watch this sensational carnival; please remember that there will be no parking onsite unless you are a pass holder.

Mrs. N. Edge, Year 5 team

NEW WATER BOTTLES IN STOCK

We have just taken delivery of newly designed St Peter's logo water bottles, which are available from the office for £1 each. Replacement lids will remain at 20p each.

The water bottles can be named using an indelible pen and are top-rack dishwasher safe. Please ensure all water bottles are named - the office has a pen available if required. We make every effort to re-unite named lost bottles with their owner!

School Office

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL

There is currently no School Crossing Patrol officer on Stakes Hill Road (near the Fox and Hounds pub), near to the junction with Phillip Road. Please take care when crossing this busy road.

The Hampshire County Council School Crossing Patrol Service has a large team of dedicated community-minded men and women carrying out the important role of ensuring the safety of children on their way to and from school.

They currently have a vacancy on Stakes Hill Road, Waterlooville. They would be keen to hear from parents, grandparents and members of the local community who can demonstrate traffic awareness, a sense of responsibility and are keen to show dedication and commitment in carrying out this important role to make the roads of Hampshire safer for children travelling to and from School.

Experience is not necessary as full training will be provided, more important are your personal qualities and commitment to provide a safe crossing environment for children travelling between home and school during term time.

Additional information you may require:

- Patrol working hours are up to 1 hour in the morning and up to 1 hour in the afternoon during school term-time
- A uniform is provided to protect you against the elements
- Starting salary is £9.36 per hour plus a payment in lieu of holidays
- The post is subject to an Enhanced DBS check

If you think you may be interested in the role and would like further information then please see the careers page - <http://www.hants.gov.uk/schoolcrossingpatrolcareers> using reference HCC10797. Alternatively contact 01962 846200.

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VACANCY: LUNCHTIME ASSISTANT

We are currently looking for a lunchtime assistant to join our happy team, looking after the children in the lunch hall and playground. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Phillips our School Business Manager for further details.

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FRIENDS OF ST. PETER'S

KS2 Silent Disco - Friday 3rd May

Years 3 and 4: 4.45 till 6.15pm

Years 5 and 6: 6.30 till 8pm

There will be drinks and confectionery for sale on the night, as well as glitter tattoos and glow sticks. Remember to bring your pocket money! (all proceeds go to the school, thank you for your continued support).

Next Friends of St. Peter's Meeting

The next meeting will be next Thursday, 2nd May, after school. All support appreciated, please come along and support us.

On behalf of Friends of St. Peter's

YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY w/c 24th JUNE

We are fortunate to be able to offer this training free of charge. Forms for participation will be sent home in a couple of weeks but now is a good time to check equipment:

Children require a bike which is roadworthy and the correct size for them. A roadworthy bike must have the following: 2 fully inflated tyres, with good tread, 2 working brakes, secure handle bars, with correctly fitting secure grips. Children also need a cycle helmet that is the right size and a good fit.

Bikeability participants can now get a free bike check and 10% off bikes and accessories at Halfords. To take advantage of this offer please log on to <https://bikeability.org.uk/participants-hub/> and register.

To take part in this course, your child should be able to confidently ride a bike. Unfortunately, we are not able to teach children who cannot yet ride a bike on this course, so now is a good time to get your child riding if they cannot already do so. Children enjoy cycling and, of course, it brings many health benefits such as being good for the heart, muscles, immune system and waistline. Cycling is also good for coordination and mental health and can help you live longer!

If you would like your child to take up cycle training but need to arrange for use of a bike and/or helmet, it may be possible to borrow these from the Bikeability team – just indicate this when you return the form.

School Office

GOLDEN KEYS

Week beginning 1st April 2019

RD	Eve Jordan	RJ	Ema Bolocan
1L	James Elrick	1S	Chloe Dougherty
2A	Finlay McHugh	2OK	Ellen Deal
3SS	Georgia McDowell	3H	Isaac Gill
4B	Taylor Bryden	4S	Maddison Gissing
5E	Noah Bignell	5CW	Amelia Ingram
6P	Lilli Zaczek	6L	Liam Tomkins

400 CLUB WINNERS

JANUARY 2019		FEBRUARY 2019	
1 st prize - £49.25	A B Hobby (60)	1 st prize - £49.25	Martha Burrows (254)
2 nd prize - £29.55	Benia Townsin (140)	2 nd prize - £29.55	Jo Garvey (380)
3 rd prize - £9.85	Helen Hogg (49)	3 rd prize - £9.85	Colette Sammut (69)
4 th prize - £9.85	Sandra Johnson (332)	4 th prize - £9.85	Julia Veal (44)

400 Club

The Friends of St Peter's support the children, staff, and parents of St Peter's throughout the year. They organize a number of fundraising events that generate funds to purchase much needed equipment, to update school resources and to supplement learning experiences for the children. The vast majority of these fundraising events are designed to offer the children an experience filled with enjoyment and fun.

One way you can contribute towards supporting these fundraising initiatives is by joining our monthly lottery ("400 Club"). Each month that you participate, you have a chance to win a cash prize. The 400 Club is a game of lucky numbers and each number is available at £1/monthly. Each month, 50% of the 400 Club income is given back to the school for their fundraising initiatives. The other 50% of the income is distributed to participants in the 400 Club by way of a cash prize. There are 4 prizes each month ranging from 5% to 25% of the income.

If you would like to join the 400 Club, please pick up a form from the school reception area, or speak to a member of the School Office team for more information. Thank you for supporting St. Peter's.

School Office

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

MAY 2019

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

JUNE 2019

3 rd	School re-opens for pupils at 8.50am
4 th	Year 2 Liturgy (10 - 10.30am)
11 th & 12 th	Father's Day Sale
11 th	Years 5 and 6 - Mass (at Church)
14 th	Sports Day
18 th	Year 1 Liturgy (10 - 10.30am)
21 st	"Countries of the World" Carnival – 2pm on the school field
24 th to 28 th	Year 6 Bikeability
25 th	Year R Liturgy (10 - 10.30am)
28 th	St. Peter's Summer Fest (5.30 – 8pm)

JULY 2019

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

SEPTEMBER 2019

- 4th **INSET DAY** - School closed to pupils
5th School re-opens for pupils at 8.50am
27th **INSET DAY** - School closed to pupils

OCTOBER 2019

- 28th to 1st Nov **AUTUMN HALF TERM** – School closed for pupils

NOVEMBER 2019

- 4th School re-opens for pupils at 8.50am

DECEMBER 2019

- 20th **INSET DAY** - School closed to pupils

INSET days 2020: Friday 14th February 2020 and Wednesday 22nd 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>