



ST PETER'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Term 3 – Newsletter 15

5th January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all! I do hope that you all had a good Christmas with your families and avoided the many sickness and flu bugs that seem to be circulating at the moment.

After the excitement of Christmas we have all settled back into calm classrooms with purposeful learning going on. We are very pleased to welcome Mrs Clarke, who is teaching in Oak Class on a Thursday and Friday, and Mrs Partridge who is supporting in that class in the mornings.

Mrs Millward

Mrs Carpenter

Next Friday is Mrs Carpenter's last day – she will be leaving us to take up a position with the Safeguarding Team for the Oxford Diocese. She has worked as our Administrator here at St Peter's for six years and has been vital to the efficient running of the school. If you would like to donate to her leaving monies then please give any contributions to Mrs Lemaire (Emily) as soon as possible.

Mrs Lemaire

Mrs Lemaire is working with Mrs Carpenter at the moment and is therefore not so accessible to parents as she has been. After Mrs Carpenter leaves she will be very busy so I would ask parents to be considerate of her time. Please only contact her if there is an urgent need which cannot wait. Certainly do not contact her out of school hours as she will need her rest times!

We will certainly be more rigorous about deadlines for ordering dinners. You will find that if you have not completed your order by the deadline you will receive a letter asking you to provide a packed lunch for your child for the following week.

Save the Children

We were able to send £67.15 to Save the Children raised from our Christmas Jumper Day!

Clubs

There will be no Keyboard Club on Tuesday 9th January. All other clubs will start next week.

School Nurse

Parents of children in Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 children, if your child missed the flu vaccinations at school and you would still like them to receive the flu vaccination we are holding a catchup clinic at Witney Hospital on Saturday 6 January 2018, 10.00am-12 noon. It is a drop in clinic but if you would like to attend please could you call us on 01865 901295 so we have an idea of numbers.

Star of the Week



If your child is named as 'Star of the Week' you are invited to join us for our Celebration Assembly next Friday at 9 o'clock in the school hall:

Apple Class

Euan Judd ~ Ffion Jones

Oak Class

Elliott Miller ~ Mae Oliver

Maple Class

Charlie Cook ~ Alice Armitage

Willow Class

Kate Lees ~ Tomi Homoki

Just in case the prediction of more snow comes true.....

In the event of a school closure due to bad weather, please note the Headteacher will make a decision by 8.15am at the latest and arrange for details to be communicated via the school website and the school Facebook page. If there is nothing posted then please presume the school is open.

If a school closure is decided during the school day we will send you a message via text, email and again the school Facebook page. Please ensure the school has your correct contact details.

After School Care

I have had a few enquiries about whether we will be able to run after school care in September 2018 or sooner. We have had 7 replies with 5 children on Monday and Thursday, 6 children on Wednesday and 3 on Friday. To make it viable, and cover the costs of two members of staff, we would need at least 8 children per session paying £5 per hour (£15 per session).

If you haven't replied and would genuinely be interested in taking up a place at the after school club next September please let us know. When we tried to set this up last year many parents said they wanted to take up places and then decided not to at the last minute. If we can get the numbers to 8 per day I will take this forward. Deadline for letting us know will be **19th January 2018.**

Key Found

Have you lost a key – with pink fob?

Lifeguards... It may seem too early to be thinking of the swimming pool but the date is now set to train as a "Lifeguard".

We constantly need new helpers to keep our pool open, if you are at all interested have a chat with me or one of the other lifeguards. You do need to have at least some availability at 3pm and if possible a free afternoon in the week to help cover school lessons.

It's a weekend course if you are new to it. You don't need any previous knowledge or experience, and you only need to be able to swim a length. The course is paid for by the spsa, so it's only your time and enthusiasm we need.

The date for the training is 24th/25th March. Thanks Clare (Thomas and Abi's mum)

New Uniform Supplier – F & F Tesco

Please visit the following site to check out our new supplier of school uniform: www.ff-ues.com

Just type in (St Peters Cassington) our school should pop up. You will receive club card rewards on any purchases you make and the school will receive some commission too.



Term Dates

Term dates for 2018-2019 are now on the school website. Use the search button to locate them.

Dates for your diaries: Please also check the school calendar on our website:
www.st-peters.oxon.sch.uk

New Term begins – Thursday 4th January 2018

Monday 8th January – Year 6 to IMP's Witney Community Hospital

Friday 26th January - EY Apple Tree Class play & stay 2pm – 3pm

Friday 23rd February - EY Apple Tree Class play & stay 2pm – 3pm

Friday 23rd March - EY Apple Tree Class play & stay 2pm – 3pm

Consultation for Bartholomew Admissions arrangements

Please go to our school website using the EPA link

Re: Consultation on Admissions Arrangements for entry in September 2019

Dear parents, carers and other stakeholders,

The governors of St Peter's CE Primary School are pleased to submit for consultation the draft admissions policy covering entry in September 2019. It is attached, and is available for download from the school website at <http://www.st-peters.oxon.sch.uk/> or as a hard copy by written request to the school office.

The consultation is open from Wednesday 15th November 2017 for 7 weeks, finishing on Wednesday 17th January and we would welcome your responses to the proposed changes as well as your comments on the current arrangements.

Please send your responses by email to office.3651@st-peters.oxon.sch.uk or in writing for the attention of the governing body at the school address.

Regards,

Annette Wade

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Chair of Governors