



# St Peter's Newsletter

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Dear Parents,

Our Year 6 did us proud as they completed six weeks of learning and transition work together. They enjoyed their send off last week which included a reflection assembly and a final Leavers' assembly. We were able to film this occasion so that the parents can enjoy the assembly too and this link was sent out this week. We are pleased to have welcomed Year 5 back this week and they settled quickly. We hope the children have enjoyed their picnics and seeing their friends for an afternoon. We are busy making safety and learning plans for September and below is a summary of the key things you as parents need to know. If we do have a period of lockdown in the future, then we shall be prepared to provide whatever is necessary. We wish you all a restful Summer and thank you again for your close working relationship with us during lockdown/partial opening.

## **September**

We are looking forward to running the school as close to normal as possible in September. The Government expects all children to return. Here is a summary of what will and won't be happening:

## **Plans**

- Full classes being taught and the two classes being viewed as a 'Team' (bubble).
- Children will be sat side by side and forward facing in rows
- We are providing a pencil case and equipment for every child so they don't have to share
- Extra handwashing and gel throughout the day will continue as it is at the moment
- Playground space will be divided for the Teams
- BASE provision continues with their own social distancing measures in place
- CM sport for every class will continue
- External providers for extracurricular activities on site with their own social distancing and bubble arrangements
- Video assembly once a week watched in class to discuss the school's theme/value
- Full curriculum being delivered including music lessons

## **Not possible yet – to be reviewed at October half term or alternative plans will made**

- No parents on site
- BASE drop off and pick up: this will be from the nursery gates. A member of staff will meet your child/ren and take them to their BASE room – please phone or email queries to the office on 01252 714115 or [office@stpeters-farnham.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@stpeters-farnham.surrey.sch.uk)
- Clubs run by school members or staff
- Parents' evening face to face
- Gatherings eg assembly, visits to the church
- No inter-school sports or events until further notice

## **Drop Offs and Pick Ups**

Standing on the opposite side – please make sure that you speak to your child about waiting for you to cross the road. We do not want to encourage young children to cross on their own.

## **Staff emails**

Due to the fact that we are all returning to school in September there should be no need for parents to contact teachers via email. Please revert to the usual channel of asking the office via email for an appointment with your class teacher. They will then ring you.

### **PPE**

You are welcome to wear PPE to and from school and here is a video to help you understand how to safely put on and remove face coverings. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=adB8RW4I3o4>

**Pick up and drop off arrangements from September 3<sup>rd</sup>: All staff will be outside to guide you. Please continue to socially distance on the pavements.**

### **Morning entry:**

Nursery	9.00am	Lower car park
Caterpillars	8.45am	One way system through lower gate and out through the car park
Tadpoles	8.55am	One way system through lower gate and out through the car park
IW	8.30am	Scooter gate
IRA	8.35am	Scooter gate
2H	8.30am	Main entrance
3S	8.35am	Main entrance
3E	8.40am	Main entrance
4B	8.35am	Top car park
4H	8.35am	Top car park
5T	8.35am	Scooter gate
5S	8.45am	Scooter gate
6D	8.30am	Top car park
6M	8.30am	Top car park

### **Home Time:**

Nursery	12.00 and 3pm	Lower car park
Caterpillars	3.05pm	Lower car park
Tadpoles	3.15pm	Lower car park
IW	3.00pm	Parents stand on grey paved area by disabled bay and take children out via the scooter gate
IRA	3.00pm	Parents stand on grey paved area by disabled bay and take children out via the scooter gate
2H	3.10pm	Main entrance
3S	3.10pm	Scooter gate
3E	3.10pm	Scooter gate
4B	3.10pm	Top car park
4H	3.10pm	Top car park
5T	3.15pm	Scooter gate
5S	3.15pm	Scooter gate
6D	3.15pm	Top car park
6M	3.15pm	Top car park

### **DfE information:**

#### **Coronavirus / COVID 19 – Travel Policy**

To ensure the safe running of our school for our staff and families, protective measures have been put in place to help manage the covid-19 pandemic.

In September, you will be required to inform the office of any travel that you have made from a country or area that has been later been put into lockdown.

It is expected that you will be aware of any government restrictions applicable on re-entering the country and abide by this advice. The school will also be aware if a period of quarantine is required and will not admit anyone to the school building that this is applicable to.

### **Symptoms and staying away from school**

You must not attend the school if you or any of your family are displaying any of the symptoms of Covid-19, you should remain home and isolate for 14 days.

The main symptoms are:

- A high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- A new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If a member of staff tests positive for Covid then the whole year group that the staff member works in will be sent home to quarantine for 14 days. The same will be true if a child tests positive for Covid.

### **Reports and teachers next year**

We trust that you have all received your child's report. Please contact the office if you have not as there were a variety of methods of delivery this year. If you have a question about your child's report, please email their current teacher. Mrs Goddin is working out of the classroom for one year as she will be supporting children and groups that require support/catch up. This will be a very important role moving the learning and curriculum content forward.

### **Welcome**

We give a warm welcome to Mrs Harrington, who after teaching elsewhere for a couple of years, is returning 'home' to St Peter's. We are very pleased to have her skills back in our team. She will be teaching Year 4.

We are also pleased to welcome Mrs Dodds and Mrs McGinn to our BASE team called Mini-BASE for nursery and EYFS children. They both bring a wealth of experience and knowledge of working with younger children.

### **Buddies – in new Year 5**

We are asking the current year 4 children to write a letter of welcome to their new buddy, who is a new child to EYFS. Please can you bring your letter and maybe a picture if you would like to school on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> or Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September. We can then give them to the EYFS pupils when they start the following week. Unfortunately, due to the fact that classes will not be able to mix we won't be able to have the buddies together until we get further guidance from the DFE.

### **Green Shoots Nursery**

We are very excited that our new nursery will be opening in September. We have a superb number of children who have taken up places. We extend a very warm welcome to the existing nursery team as they transfer to our team. If you would like to book a place or know somebody who does please make enquiries at the school office.



### **Date reminders**

School closes Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July – at the normal time for each team

### **Summer Tasks**

We shall be mailing a few small activities to help prepare children for returning full time in September. These will be tasks that you and siblings can share with the aim of looking at the positives and developing the right mindset for the new school year. We hope that they will help.

### **Summer Reading Challenge**

We have mailed the Summer Reading Challenges which are geared for the different age groups. These will be recognised when the children return in September. We shall also send a comprehensive list of websites which should include something for all children to enjoy.

### **Year 6 Residential 2020**

Current Year 5 parents will receive a detailed letter explaining that we plan to postpone the Year 6 trip to another term.

### **CM Sports**

You will have received information about Holiday Clubs being run at St Peter's over five weeks in the holidays. You can book individual days or the whole week. If your child has missed social contact by not being in school, this would be a perfect opportunity to meet up with others. It will also be a chance to be back on the school site and feel positive about coming back in full time in September. We have been really impressed over the past few weeks with the way that CM coaches have adapted to the new arrangements in school. The clubs are for all ages and will cater for all needs. They are planning craft as well as games and will adapt to the groups of children they have. Booking is direct with CM sports. If you need the form again, please ask the office.



We were well on our way to maintaining our Gold Sports Mark and even had ambitions for the Platinum! Clearly inter- school sports stopped abruptly but we have heard that all schools are to be awarded their existing level for the academic year. (see left). Thank you to Ms Dawson and the other members of staff who have led and supported Sports this year. And well done to all the pupils who participated at all levels!

It will be back & we can't wait!!!

### **Home Learning Challenges over lockdown – well done!**

It was great that so many children took part in these challenges. We can see from the many photos sent in, that they learnt many new skills. Well done to the lucky winners from the prize draw who won a book voucher.

### **Scopay**

Please remember to order your child's school lunches on Scopay and to place your uniform orders on Scopay too. School will be open for uniform collections only on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 1pm -3pm. If you do not have access to Scopay then please call the office.

**Wishing you all a restful summer**