



St. Peter's C of E Primary School

Dear Parents,










April 2017

Welcome back to the Summer term. I start by saying children are welcome to wear the summer uniform now however, sadly it's still very chilly isn't it? Summer uniform for girls is dresses but I hear that some shops are selling culottes in the gingham check. We are happy for girls to wear these. Girls can wear shorts and polo shirts if they wish.

We have started a new reward for attendance. Key Stage 1 classes will hold the Attendance Bear for a week and Key Stage 2 a trophy if their class reaches 100% in a week. This is to create a team spirit about contributing to your class team and making attendance count. Many children returned late back from the holidays due to extended holidays and this can have such an impact on not only the individual but the rest of the class too. Thank you for supporting attendance at St Peter's. Currently our attendance is 97.3%

Best regards
Sarah Dunning

Attendance chart for 97%

EYFS: Tadpoles	98.7%	
EYFS: Caterpillars	97%	
IJW	96.8%	
IAP	98.1%	
2VB	98.3%	
2RH	96.1%	
3AB	98.6%	
3CA	98.3%	
4JE	98.1%	
4WM	97.5%	
5ED	96.2%	
5TS	96.8%	
6TB	98.8%	
6PG	96.8%	

Believe Achieve Succeed

Spring Concert 2017

Thank you to all the children who performed at the Spring concert at the end of last term. The quality of musicianship was amazing and it reflects the hard work of the children and peripatetic teachers. Thank you to all the parents who supported this event. We raised £161.87 for Cancer Research which is a fantastic amount. Thank you!

Drop off/pick-up

With the school now filled almost to capacity, dropping off and picking-up times have become extremely busy. Therefore we would prefer that you drop your child/children at the gate, which you are welcome to do, from 8:40 onwards or remain on the netball court playground by the car park. Staff are very busy at this time, preparing for the day ahead. If you need to speak to a member of staff please do so via the Office.

Ghana UCC Future Leaders



We received a very grateful message from Ghana thanking us for our contribution towards their new school building.

Library

Just a reminder that every child should be taking out a library book regularly. If your child doesn't have a library book, why not pop into the library after school and choose together: It's open until 3:40 Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Clothes Recycling

A big thank you. We haven't heard how much this initiative raised but they certainly collected sack loads of clothes!

Parents Morning Reading Scheme

Thank you – we now have three more parent readers volunteering time which brings our total up to 19!

Contacting the Head Teacher

If you would like to email the Head teacher then please use the school email address info@stpeters-farnham.surrey.sch.uk which will then be forwarded to me. Unfortunately I have had recent issues with my junk folder and some emails from parents have sat in the box unnoticed.

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Floorball Club – Y2-Y6 – Wednesdays @ 3.15 in the hall

Premier Sport are running a floorball club on Wednesday evenings. This is essentially indoor hockey and is a really inclusive sport for boys and girls. We have selected floorball because our local schools are going to be running a league next academic year. This year we have already played one tournament and have two more coming up this term. We are hoping to start to make our mark with a strong floorball team. Competitions aside, it's also a sport which can be played all year round as it's inside. Floorball is quite a big sport in this area and I understand that the Farnham u/16 team is off to Sweden for an international meet! If you think your child might be interested (even if they feel that sport is not their thing- this might just be the one) do encourage them to come along and have a go. Further details from the school office.

Do you know a lifeguard?

Later in the term we offer curriculum swimming over a period of two weeks for children in Y5/Y6 who are unable to swim 25M unaided (this is a national curriculum expectation). We are fortunate to have been offered the pool at Frensham Heights during that period but we do need to provide our own lifeguard. We need a qualified lifeguard for one hour each morning over eight mornings. This would of course be paid. Please see Nicola Molony in the office for more details.

School Closed For Polling Station on Thursday 4th May and Thursday 8th June

We are sorry that our school is closed on these two dates as we believe that your child's education is very important and that every day in education really does matter. Once again this year, we have written to the Council to complain and ask that they continue to seek an alternative venue. Their response is always the same – that our school is the only one in the area which is fit for the purpose and the legislation that they have to follow. If you too feel strongly then we would encourage you to also write to the council/your local MP with your thoughts.

Toys

As with all toys, Fidget Spinners are not to be brought into school. Concentration aids will be agreed with the Class Teacher. Thank you.

Polite reminder

Please do not let your children play the drums or any of the instruments in the hall before or after school. Thank you

St Peter's School App

This is a free download from your app store and will give you info on our:

- latest news
- newsletters
- gallery
- diary dates

and more in the future.

Please see www.stpeters-farnham.surrey.sch.uk/app for information on how to download.

KS2 Cross Country race at Farnham Park

The Cross Country race is taking place on Saturday 13th May. Please encourage your child/ren to take part in this brilliant event. As Winners of the Cup last time we are hoping to retain it. We fielded a team of over 70 and are hoping for even more runners from Years 3 – 6 to take part this year and parents please come and cheer them on.