

Dear Parents,

31st January 2018





I do hope your children have signed up to the exciting clubs that we have on offer. The school really has an extensive range and we hope we have catered for all interests. We look forward to watching the children make progress in their various adventures.

Have you seen the new trim trail taking shape? The children are very excited as they anticipate the opening of it very soon. We will be having a special visitor to conduct an opening ceremony – more news soon.

We do apologise for the muddiness of some of your children recently – the good news is they are keeping fit! We are having a new pathway laid in order for children to access the running track in all weathers. This should minimise the mud on shoes and clothes.

Best regards
Sarah Dunning

Attendance chart for 97%

Tadpoles	97.1%	
Caterpillars	94.9%	
IJW	95.9%	
IAP	95%	
2SD	97.8%	
2RH	95.8%	
3AB	96.8%	
3CA	95.1%	
4JE	96.1%	
4WM	94.8%	
5ED	96.7%	
5TS	97%	
6BT	94.9%	
6PG	97%	

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St Peter's School Governors' Update

The Governors are a dedicated group of volunteers who meet regularly to plan strategically to make our good school even better. We meet within committees to discuss: children and learning, finance and resources, pay and personnel and admissions. We also meet as a Full Governing Body very half term. All governors take on training to enhance their knowledge in their given areas of governance. This week we welcomed a new governor to the team – Reverend Michael Hopkins. Michael joins us as a Foundation Governor which is a role that helps the school to strengthen our Christian distinctiveness. He is also a parent to a year one pupil.

This term the governors are helping to fund the two capital projects: the Trim Trail and replacement windows. We raise money for the 'Governors' Fund' in order to provide 10% of capital projects. This work complements the hugely successful fundraising of the PTFA.

Ways to contact a school Governor

As always, if you have any comments or queries at all that you would like to pass on to the Governing Body of the school please contact us on governors@stpeters-farnham.surrey.sch.uk All emails are treated in the strictest confidence and are opened and answered by a Governor not the school office. Alternatively, you can of course contact any governor via the school office marked for the attention of our very dedicated Clerk, Kate Parry-Shield.

New Trim-trail Grand Opening

On 21st February at 3:00pm the Mayor of Farnham will officially open our new Trim Trail. Please come and join in the celebration.

The Trim Trail replaces one that was originally installed by the Army many years ago!. The new one has been jointly funded by our PTFA and the school. Our children run the daily mile and do many sports but the Trim Trail will provide another wonderful fun facility for our children promoting a healthy active life style.

Kebur Garden Materials

Many thanks to Kebur Garden Materials who have kindly donated nearly £700 worth of landscaping materials. These are being used to improve pathways through the woodland area and build a structure to use as a shelter so that the Forest School facilities can still be used in bad weather.

Assemblies

We would respectfully ask that parents who bring toddlers/babies to their child's assembly, (which is unavoidable) please take them out and view from behind the glass, if they are making a noise. It is unfair to the children who are speaking at the front and disappointing for the other parents if the children cannot be heard because of distractions from the back of the room. This is not an easy message and we've all been there, but we feel that most people would agree that we should respect this etiquette.

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Florence Nightingale Workshop

Year 2 took part in a Florence Nightingale workshop. They learnt about who Florence was and what changes she brought about in the Scutari hospital during the Crimean War.



Florence was a nurse. She helped the soldiers in the Crimean War. When she arrived at the hospital in Scutari, it was very dirty. She helped clean the hospital.
(Rosie and Evelyn)

In the Victorian times they didn't have the things we have in hospital now, like beds! (Scarlett)
The bit I liked was when all of the class stood up and the girls did the curtsy and the boys did the bow.
(Sharae)
It was brilliant I liked all of it! (Lena)

KS2 HALF TERM COMPETITION – DESIGN A FLAG TO CELEBRATE THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES

As you know, The 2018 Commonwealth Games will take place in Australia from 4-15 April 2018. The theme behind the 2018 Commonwealth Games is '*where anything is possible*' and athletes are encouraged to '*share their dream*.'

At the start of the Commonwealth Games, nations parade into the main arena, proudly waving their flag. Children are asked to design a flag which showcases their sporting dream and celebrates the 2018 Commonwealth Games. Think of sports which are represented in the Games or focus on your own personal sporting dream. Each flag will be judged on its creativity, individuality and illustration of the theme.

The winner's design will be printed onto a fabric flag which will be waved at The Spring Festival Opening Ceremony on 17 April at Elmbridge Xcel Leisure Complex and will also feature in the Spring Festival Programme. Please hand in all entries to Ms Dawson by 9th March.

Trees around Europe



Some of the children across KS2 are working on a project which compares trees in the school environment with other schools around Europe. We shall be looking at their size, shape, flower, fruit and leaf. Countries involved include Italy, Spain, Cyprus, France, Greece, UK, Serbia and Turkey.

Year 6 Boys' Football

Many congratulations go to our Y6 Boys' Football Team for coming 2nd out of 13 teams when we played at the Weydon Football Tournament. We look forward to the Y6 Girls' Tournament at the end of March.



Dear Parent/Carer,

St Peter's has taken the opportunity to join the Operation Encompass scheme which will run jointly between local schools, Surrey Police and Surrey County Council.

Operation Encompass has been designed to provide early reporting on any domestic incidents that occur outside of school and might have an impact on a child in school.

Operation Encompass will ensure that a member of the school teaching staff, named a **'Key Adult' or "Deputy Key Adult", is informed the next morning that there has been a** domestic incident or if a child has been reported as missing. These school colleagues will be those who already have safeguarding responsibilities and are fully aware of the sensitive and confidential issues regarding such information.

Through sharing this information with the Key Adult or Deputy Key Adult, the school can ensure that the child is supported in the most appropriate way during the school day.

We are keen to offer the best support possible for our pupils and we believe this is going to be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

For more information see www.operationencompass.org

Signed

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