




St. Peter's C of E Primary School

Dear Parents,

May we wish you all a very restful and Happy Easter. We have all managed to fit a great deal into this half term and everyone is very tired. The Easter service yesterday was beautiful. The children led the service which such grace. We really enjoyed welcoming Rev. Jacqueline to her first service with us. We hope that everyone can relax and spend time with their family and friends to recharge their batteries. We look forward to seeing everyone return on Monday 16th April.

Best regards
Sarah Dunning

Attendance chart for 97%

Caterpillars	96.1%	
Tadpoles	94.5%	
IJW	95.7%	
IAP	95.6%	
2SD	96.7%	
2RH	96%	
3AB	97.6%	
3CA	95.3%	
4JE	6.1%	
4WM	96.6%	
5ED	92.4%	
5TS	95.7%	
6BT	96%	
6PG	96.3%	

It is with great sadness that we have to report that Mrs Jane Wheelhouse recently passed away. Jane was a great friend of St Peter's and for many years provided swimming coaching for our Friday Swim Squad. She was known for caring for Guide Dog puppies and regularly brought them into school for a visit.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Jane's family at this sad time.

Voluntary one-way system

We encourage our parents to try to use a voluntary one-way system in Little Green Lane, however this is voluntary and if you do meet a car going in the opposite direction, the Highway Code is still to be followed!

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Being Late to School

Being late to school has a huge impact on your child and on the rest of the class. The bell is rung at 8.40am and learning begins the minute children enter the classroom. We now have a late book in the office. If you arrive after the side gates have been locked at 8.50am you will be required to sign the late book. This information will be regularly reviewed and discussions will be held with the Head Teacher and possibly the Education Welfare Officer.

Long hair

All pupils, whether girl or boy, with hair that reaches the shoulder must have it tied back and off of their collar.

Mad March Hair day



It wasn't only the children who went to town on Mad March Hair day!

Signposts



It was quite funny at the start of Signpost because there was a wanted person called Barabbas. We had a line up to see who should go to jail. Barabbas went to jail. My favourite thing was when somebody had to paint red paint on a frame to represent lambs blood.

I enjoyed Signpost and would like to see it again!

Alexa Bhandari 3A

On Wednesday Signpost visited our school. There was a lot of acting and a line up to see who was the criminal – Barabbas. There was a song at the end and a few activities throughout the hour. We had lots of fun. Caleb Etchells 3A

School visits

All visits will require the paper slip to be returned. Please note the deadline to order/opt out of school packed lunches. After the deadline you will be charged. Paper copies are available from the office.

Y3 Forest School Celtic day

The thing I liked the most was making bread and jewellery...I enjoyed doing the tie dye with the T-shirt...I loved all the colours and the way we tie dyed the T-shirt...because all the activities were fun and creative...making the puppet shows and entertainment, they were really funny...and finding a flying fish with no wings made out of wood.

Milo, Isabella, Riley, Lily, Harry, Sophie and Ollie

At forest school I learnt a lot about Celts. I learnt how to tie and dye, mash black berries to colour cloth and I learnt that it takes imagination and team work to build Stonehenge. It was great fun plaiting the bread. We played a fun game where you had to find a little wooden fish. I couldn't find it but it was in the bush. We also played a game at playtime when someone was banging the drum and the people were at the back of the woods and you had to touch the person that was banging the drum without them seeing you.

I loved Celts day!!

Niamh Shaw 3A

Celts day was great fun - we did lots of activities. First, we built Stonehenge, next we did tie and dye then we mashed berries to dye cloth. In the afternoon we made bread. We also made roman jewellery out of wire. My favourite activity was making the bread. I also enjoyed the tie and dye.

Harriet Creamer 3A

EYFS visit to Finkley Down Farm



Holly – I liked holding the rabbits because they were soft.

Daisy – I liked the whole day because I'd never been before.

Ernest – I liked the snake because it was sleeping.

Jack – I was looking at the guinea pig one had red eyes and it was funny.

Netball Reports

Netball at St Peters continues to go from strength to strength. Our year 5 competed in their first tournament against 14 other teams. They played brilliantly showing great speed and determination to finish as runners up! Well done year 5 and a huge thank you to all the Tuesday morning coaches. Your hard work really did pay off!

Also, after a fantastic season, our year 6 team reached the league finals at Weydon last Tuesday. The team played strongly but there was some tough competition, and we eventually finished 4th. Thank you to all the fabulous year 6 netballers - I hope you keep playing next year.

Borelli Cup



On the 8th March, the year 5 & 6 boys football team competed in a tournament against other local schools at Waverley Abbey. The team showed great determination by coming back from being a goal down in 2 of the 4 group games to win both matches. We came 2nd in our group overall, which meant we progressed to the semi-final against Rowledge, where we continued to work well as a team. Scoring a goal early on allowed the team to settle into the match and all their hard work was rewarded by reaching the final of the tournament. The team fought extremely hard throughout the entire afternoon but narrowly lost against South Farnham in the final. They can be very proud of their achievements this year, reaching the final in the league tournament and also the Borelli cup. We wish them the best of luck moving to their secondary schools, who will be inheriting passionate, skilful and hard-working players.

Trim Trail

I think the trim trail is really good and it will attract more people to come to our school. A really big thank you to the people who paid for it to be built and thank you to the Mayor for opening it for the school.

George Headey 3A

Let's Dance for Sport Relief

Last Friday afternoon every member of St Peters, staff and children, completed a dance routine in aid of Sports Relief. The sports themed dance was lots of fun and all the money raised will go to this fantastic cause.

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Cross Country County Finals



On Saturday 10th March three of our most talented runners competed at county level in Reigate against over 70 other schools from across Surrey. Jemima Henderson came an amazing 2nd place in the year 5 girls race, and both Ellen Dring and Ollie Russell came in the top 20 in the year 6 races. We are extremely proud of these children for showing such determination and representing St Peters at such a high-level event.

Squash Taster Day



Our squash session was brilliant! We learnt how to play squash. We got into groups of 5 and headed to the nearest squash net. We played a game where you throw the ball at the net and the person that you are playing against would catch the ball and throw it back at the net. Abigail Irvine 3A

Monday 12th March saw the hall turned into 6 mini squash courts enabling every child in years 3,4 and 5 to try out this exciting, fast paced game. Gary Hales from The Bourne Club ran the whole day which was a great success. Anyone interested in taking up this sport can contact The Bourne Club directly. Another fantastic opportunity for our children.

Farnham Music Festival



Year 4 children had an amazing opportunity to perform in the Farnham Music Festival at The Maltings on Monday 19th March. They sang alongside children from William Cobbett and performed a Cantata called 'Along Came Man', all about looking after our natural world. The children sang their hearts out and performed with great enthusiasm. For some children it was their first time on stage! Jude Edwards and Al Hubbard performed poems that they had written themselves with great confidence and clarity in front of a very large audience. We are **extremely** proud of all the children that performed.

Surrey Youth Games

The children have been learning about further opportunities to try new sports through the Surrey Youth Games. Holly in year 6 has presented an introduction to these games as one of their Ambassadors. These events are free and local and a great chance to try out a new sport. Please see the attached flyer.

Bollywood Dance starts next term!

We have a Bollywood Dance Club starting next term for Y2-Y6. Feedback from other schools is very positive. While developing children's sense of movement, co-ordination and rhythm, it will also be a great introduction to dance from another culture. Please contact the office for further details although payment will be directly with the club organiser online.



Easter Service

Our annual Easter Service was held in the school hall due to inclement weather. It was also a chance to meet the new vicar to St Peter's, Revd Jacqueline. The children were in full voice accompanied by Mike Smith on the organ. Using drama and reflection moments, the children led us through the Journey to Calvary, pausing to let us think what it must have been like for those who witnessed the Crucifixion.

France

Children in Y4/Y5 and Y6 have now written their second letter to their French pen-pals. One of our pupils, Dominic Manzi was in the south of France at half term and was able to call in at Lochabair College and meet his pen-pal!



Fairtrade Assembly

On Tuesday we held a whole school assembly to celebrate the learning which took place during Fairtrade Fortnight.

As an art project, each year group studied a specific product- researching and finding out about the production process, discussing and writing about it and then producing artwork to illustrate their points. When it all comes together, we realise just how much depth comes into the curriculum through Fairtrade. Look out for our Fairtrade hoops around the school!

EYFS- Fairtrade fruits

Y1- Roses from Kenya

Y2 - Divine Chocolate (links also with design and Geography)

Y3 – Honey

Y4 - Cotton

Y5- Chocolate

Y6 – Gold

Fairtrade Cupcake Sale

Organised by children, this was a huge success and raised £105!

Book Day

Our postponed World Book Day included a sponsored Readathon which raised £300!

The money from both these fundraisers will be shared between the UCC Charity School in Ghana who still need funds for their new building and Refuge Aid Fethiye which supports Syrian children starting a new life in Turkey. Both charities have expressed their deepest thanks for the generosity of the St Peter's families.

Spring Music Concert

We are sorry for the last minute change this week. We look forward to everyone performing on Tuesday 17th April 6pm – 7pm in the hall in school uniform. It gives the soloists a little longer to practise through the holidays!



Post Adoptive Support group

Are you an adoptive parent or special guardian living in or with connections to the Farnham area?

Why not pop along to our next meetings

Adoption Group Meeting

Wednesday 25th April 10 – 11.30am

St Marks Church, Alma Lane, Farnham, GU9 0LT

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- Meet other adoptive parents or special guardians
- Signposting advice and local support available

The sessions are an informal opportunity for you to share your experiences and listen to others. We provide a non-judgmental inclusive environment where confidentiality is ensured at all times.

For more information please contact one of us below:

Sue Marsh - Home school link worker – William Cobbett 01252 312722

Jane Voake – Family matters co-ordinator 07827 567014

Amy Goodyear – Outreach Worker, Hale children's centre 01252 734288

Please note that these sessions are not suitable for children