

St. Peter's C of E Primary School

Dear Parents, 25th May 2018

This half term has finished with so many positive achievements and successes! Please enjoy all the news below which has involved so many children and spans right across the curriculum. We wish you all a relaxing half term and may I thank all the staff at St Peter's for their hard work this half term.

Best regards Sarah Dunning

Attendance chart for 97%

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Caterpillars	96%	
Tadpoles	96.5%	
IJW	96.4%	
IAP	96.1%	
2SD	98.5%	\$
2RH	96.7%	
3AB	98.8%	7
3CA	96.1%	
4JE	97.6%	
4WM	96.8%	
5ED	96.3%	
5TS	96.2%	
6BT	97.3%	
6PG	97.3%	7

SATs congratulatory bit

The Year 6 team would like to thank all of the children in 6G and 6BT for their hard work, positive attitude and excellent behaviour during SATs week. We are confident that they have all done their best, and now we can continue our learning and enjoy the final part of Year 6 at St Peter's.

PTFA and Office Post Boxes

Please remember to use the post boxes hung outside the front office. There is no need to stand in a queue at the office to hand in slips of paper. Please just return via the post boxes.

Y2 Forest School

The children in Year 2 enjoyed their Forest School day where all our learning about the Great Fire of London was brought to life. Activities included making bread and cooking it on an open fire, creating art work using charcoal from the fire, trying our hand at weaving a fence with willow and working as teams to make a water chain to put the fire out. The highlight of the day was constructing our own street in London and then watching it burn. Thank you to Mrs Webzell and Mrs Russell for planning the day and to Mrs Parnell, Mrs Lawton, Mr Ambrose who generously gave their time to support with activities during the 2 days.





Healthy Schools

We are a Healthy School and currently hold the Bronze award that recognises our commitment in promoting the personal, social and health development for the whole of our school community. We now want to progress this further and work towards the Silver award. For this, we need to identify an area of school life linked to one or more of the four main Healthy School themes that we wish to improve. Following listening to pupil voice and after consultation with parents at our School Development Plan evening last term it has been agreed that our focus will be on developing Happier Lunchtimes, both in the dining hall and on the playground. In assembly this week we identified why we are a Healthy School and asked for support in moving forward.

To All Children

- Are you interested in supporting our school achieve the Silver Healthy Schools Award?
- Do you have good ideas of how we could improve the lunchtime experience at St Peter's?
- Would you like to be part of our new Healthy Schools team, represent your class and share your ideas?
- If the answer is 'yes', then Mrs Hill would love to hear from you. Please write a short letter explaining
 why you would like to help and bring it in to school after half term. Don't forget to include your
 name and class.

Science Day

Years 5 and 6 had a Science day on Tuesday and we were lucky enough to have a visit from the Winchester Science Museum. We explored effects of a vacuum (using brave astronaut marshmallows) and did a space suit collage. We even designed a space meal for Tim Peake! Altogether it was a great day and we would like to thank the teachers for giving us such a good time and for being so patient.

French Day

Thank you for your support for this exciting off-curriculum day focusing on French culture and language. We've had so many positive comments about the Café St Pierre where you were invited for café et croissants. (It was quite a task securing 520 freshly baked croissants!) The café was more popular than we'd anticipated but great fun and the children enjoyed using their French to serve the adults. There was a fantastic ambience and this set the tone for the rest of the day. All children visited the café and bought a croissant and jus de pomme/orange with their euros.

Throughout the day there were many exciting learning activities. Hopefully many of you saw the amazing map of France on the playground. This enabled children to learn about the geography, natural features and landmarks from a drawing which they had created. Other activities included: art based on the work of famous French artists, sculptures to celebrate the anniversary of The Pompidou Centre, mime in the style of Marcel Marceau, activities based on Le Tour de France, games of Boules, learning a verse of The Marseillaise and French skipping. Children in KSI enjoyed a treasure hunt based on French food and EYFS children made some delicious croque monsieurs! The whole day was a huge success and something which we shall aim to repeat.



Bonjour - Comment ca va?

Six classes have French pen pals and this week we have been able to Skype the French school for the first time. There was actually a lot more giggling and laughter than speaking in either language! But it was great fun and it makes that human link with children in another part of our continent. Another session is scheduled and as we get used to communicating directly like this, we hope to do it more regularly.



We came home with the Bell Cup!

What a tremendous result at the Farnham and District Cross Country event at Farnham Park last weekend. The girls' team came in 3rd and the boys' team was second which placed us as overall team winners! Fourteen schools and almost 500 children participated – it was such a joy to come back with the cup! Individual medal winners were: Ollie Russell (Y6) who came 2nd in the Boy's event and Jemima Henderson (Y5) who was the 3rd girl in. Tom Wattenbach (Y4) came in 4th place. We had 81 runners participating who all contributed to the team's success. Many children improved on their personal best time and we know that our commitment to The Daily Mile is having an impact. As a heads-up, we are taking over the organisation of The District Cross Country from the Autumn term, so if anyone is keen to become involved please let us know. We are excited to be leading in this prestigious community event which has now been running for over 20 years.



Garden Working Party

Due to our successful win in 2016 we are entering Farnham in Bloom again and for this our school garden areas need to look wonderful. The children have been working really hard, planting and weeding the beds, but we need your help on a larger scale to be ready for the judging.

On Saturday the 9^{th} June, from 10.30 - 12.30, we are hoping to have a working party where parents come along and help chop, weed and tidy areas around school. You can bring along children to help although if you are able to come without children that would be preferable.

We have managed to grow and source many vegetable plants but we are in need of flowering plants. If you or any family members have any spare plants which we can use to decorate our beds they would be gratefully received.

If you are able to give help on the working party or with spare plants please see Mrs Webzell or contact her via email on forest@stpeters-farnham.surrey.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support.

Nicola Webzell

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