

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Newsletter Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023** Tel. 01273 454066 Email : <u>office@stpetersshoreham.co.uk</u> Headteacher : Mrs K J Crees MA BEd (Hons)



Please visit the school website <u>www.stpeterscatholicprimary.com</u> for dates for the full academic year, together with other information about the school that you may find useful.

#### Dates for the Diary

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 9.00am Coffee morning for MacMillan Cancer Support & Friends of St Peter's AGM Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 educational visit to Brighton Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October Year R & KS1 disco 3.30-4.30pm; KS2 Disco 4.30 – 6.00pm Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Year 3 visit to Drusillas Zoo Park Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Individual photos Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October Half Term Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 1.45 – 2.45pm Year R 2024 New Parents Open afternoon Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Textile Recycling Collection Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 3.30 – 5.15pm – Film show for children in Years 1 – 6



#### This Week

Thank you for the impressive food bank donations; both Harvest celebrations were enjoyed by all. The children and staff put a lot of effort into getting things ready. It is important that we take time to think about what we should be giving thanks for and why. The children have shared some insightful comments during lessons on this.

The children in Reception and Year one have impressed us by using fantastic writing skills. I have seen some excellent story writing by some of our youngest pupils. The children in Year 2 are working very hard in maths, as are their friends in Year 3. We saw some excellent calculation skills. The children in Year 4 have been coping with some quite

complicated addition and subtraction problems and I was most impressed to see the children in Year 5 finding factor pairs. Year 6 continue to find out about local history and the impact of trains in our area.

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTA AGM and coffee morning. It was wonderful to be able to share just how the fantastic support of the PTA has impacted on the provision available to all of our pupils. You really all do make such a difference!

Don't forget to follow us in Instagram for weekly updates. We are in the process of showing parents around the school for September 2024. Please do let your friends, family and neighbours know. We would love to meet anyone looking for a school. We do also have spaces in some other year groups.

#### Hot School Meals – Monday 30th October

Please be aware that we will be on the 'back to school' menu on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October. This is a jacket potato with a choice of filling. Can we please ask that if you know your child doesn't like jacket potatoes you provide them with a packed lunch just on the Monday.

For information our school Christmas dinner will be on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. Currently the menu has not been uploaded to ParentPay so you will be unable to book a meal on this date at the moment.

#### Fundraising Disco – Last few tickets remaining

A reminder that we are holding discos for the children on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October as follows –

Years R, 1, 2 3.30 – 4.30pm

Years 3, 4, 5, 6 4.30 – 6.00pm

Children in Years R, 1, 2 will be taken to the school hall at the end of the school day and should be collected from the front of the school at 4.30pm. School uniform to be worn.

Children in Years 3, 4, 5, 6 will go home after school and return at 4.30pm. They should then be collected at 6.00pm.

Refreshments will be available. Tickets are £5.00 each and are available to book on sQuid.

#### Parking in Sullington Way

A request and reminder to parents, grandparents, carers etc to not bring your car in to Sullington Way at drop off and pick up times. Over the last week we have noticed an increase in the number of cars coming in to the road. For the safety of all the children and parents, please find somewhere else to park. Buckingham Park has a lot of parking and only a short walk down Eastern Avenue. There are also a lot of other local roads where parking is available. Earlier this week we received a phone call from a resident in Sullington Way complaining that a land rover type car had parked across their driveway for 10 minutes while dropping a child at school. This resulted in the neighbour being unable to leave in her car and subsequently made her late for work. This is not acceptable; please be more considerate of the people who live in Sullington Way.

#### **Table Talk Foundation**

We have been very fortunate to be sponsored by Focus Foundation for a class of children to take part in the Table Talk Foundation Adopt a School Programme. Our Year 4 children are participating in the programme and had the first visit from Chef John today which was a tasting and sensory session. There are two more sessions this academic year and in March the children will visit Plumpton Farm for a Chef on the Farm day. We are very grateful to Focus Foundation for choosing St Peter's as one of their sponsored schools.

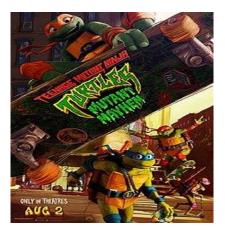


#### **Easyfundraising and Tesco**

Tesco is working with easyfundraising to give a helping hand to voluntary groups, charities and CICs working tirelessly to keep up with spiralling costs and rising demand by pledging £5,000. Once registered with easyfundraising, you need to shop with Tesco online to enter St Peter's into the prize draw to win £1,000. The more people who shop and enter St Peter's the more chances we have of winning the money. Thank you as always for your support.

#### Film Show – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 3.30 – 5.15pm

We will be holding a fundraising film show on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November from 3.30 – 5.15pm for children in Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Children will go straight to the hall when school finishes and should be collected at 5.15pm.Refreshments will be available. The film we are showing will be Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem, which has a PG certificate. Tickets are available on sQuid - £5.00 each. Numbers will be limited so please get your tickets early! If any parents are able to help at the film show, please let the school office know. Thank you.



#### Is my Child to Ill for Schoool?

Punctual and regular school attendance is an essential requirement for successful learning from the time a child starts school and we want to promote good attendance for all our children. However, there are times when your child is unwell and should stay at home. Below is some advice from the NHS regarding different illnesses and whether you should send your child in to school or keep them at home. Please also see the flier at the end of this newsletter. If you do keep your child at home, it's important to contact the school on the first day of absence. Ideally, this should be done via the Studybugs app but you can also email the school office (office@stpetersshoreham.co.uk) or phone from 8.00am. If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, please let their teacher, or the school office, know.

<u>Coughs & Colds</u> – It's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough ort common cold. But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly, also to cover their mouth when they cough.

<u>Vomiting and diarrhoea</u> – Children with diarrhoea or vomiting must stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

<u>High Temperature</u> – If your child has a high temperature, (38C or more), keep them off school until it goes away. Chickenpox – If your child has chickenpox keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.

<u>Cold Sores</u> – There is no need to keep your child off school if they have a cold sore. Encourage them not to touch the blister or kiss anyone while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels.

<u>Conjuctivitis</u> – You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have conjunctivitis. Do get advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.

<u>Covid-19</u> – If your child has mild symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat or slight cough and feels well enough they can go to school. Your child should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if they have symptoms of Covid-19 and they either have a high temperature or do not feel well enough to go to school or do their normal activities. Your child is no longer required to do a Covid-19 rapid lateral flow test if they have symptoms but if your child has tested positive for Covid-19, they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test.

<u>Ear Infection</u> – If your child has an ear infection and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their high temperature goes away.

<u>Hand Foot and Mouth Disease</u> – If your child has hand, foot and mouth disease but seems well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly.

<u>Head Lice and Nits</u> – There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice. You can tread head lice and nits without seeing a GP. Combing conditioner through your child's hair is one of the most effective ways of getting rid of head lice and nits.

<u>Impetigo</u> – If your child has impetigo they will need treatment from a GP, often with antibiotics. Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment. Encourage your child to wash their hands regularly and not to share things like towels and cups with other children at school.

<u>Ringworm</u> – If your child has ringworm, see your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.

<u>Scarlet Fever</u> – If your child has scarlet fever, they will need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they will be infectious for 2 – 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

<u>Slapped Cheek Syndrome</u> – You don't need to keep your child off school if they have slapped cheek syndrome because, once the rash appears, they are no longer infectious. Please let the school know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.

<u>Sore Throat</u> – You can still send your child to school if they have a sore throat. However, if they also have a high temperature, they should stay at home until it goes away. A sore throat and a high temperature can be symptoms of tonsillitis.

<u>Threadworms</u> – You don't need to keep your child off school if they have threadworms. Speak to your pharmacist who can recommend a treatment.

#### Free School Meals (FSM) Eligibility Criteria \*\*\*IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ\*\*\*\*

Free school meals in all West Sussex maintained and free schools and academies are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits –

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance



- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

If you <u>are not</u> eligible for benefits-related, free school meals, but your child is currently in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they will automatically be entitled to Universal Infant Free school Meals and you need not apply.

If you <u>are</u> eligible for benefits-related free school meals in accordance with the above criteria, and your child is also receiving Universal Infant Free School Meals, it is important that you continue to register. This will enable us to claim valuable 'pupil premium' funding (currently £1,385 per child per annum). This additional funding can enable us to provide extra support for your child in school.

Once an eligible child is signed up for benefits related free school meals, they will also receive other support such as Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) sessions. HAF sessions provide children with access to fun and engaging activities during the holidays and offer a free meal as part of the sessions.

If you think your child(ren) may be eligible for benefits-related free school meals, please contact Mrs Matthews in the school office.

#### P.E Kit

This can be purchased online – <u>https://getmekitted.com/st-peters-40-c.asp</u>



## Sunrise Breakfast Club Please note that Breakfast Club starts at 7.45am and children should NOT be dropped off any earlier than this as staff are not available to look after them. Thank you.

We are delighted that so many children are enjoying coming to our Sunrise Breakfast Club. The Breakfast Club is open every day from 7.45am and costs just £4.00 a session. Sessions can be booked and paid for using the online payment system sQuid. For further information please contact the school office. It is possible to pay for your child's sessions at Breakfast Club

using childcare vouchers. We are currently registered with the Government Tax Free Childcare scheme. If you use another childcare voucher provider please let us know.



**Best of Buddies** 

Best of Buddies runs every afternoon after school from 3.15 – 5.15pm. For more information please contact Mrs Awedan Tel. 07923 318935 or email <u>bofbuddies@gmail.com</u>



Kind regards

K. T. Gees

Mrs K Crees <u>Headteacher</u>

#### Amazon Wishlist

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/YOTQO1KCEUO2/ref=nav\_wishlist\_lists\_1?\_encoding=UTF8&type=wishlist

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#### **Easyfundraising**

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Please help St Peter's Catholic Primary School - Shoreham-By-Sea by signing up to support us for FREE on #easyfundraising. You can raise donations whenever you shop online with over 7,000 brands including John Lewis & Partners, eBay, Argos, M&S and more. Plus, once you've raised your first £5, easyfundraising will double it!

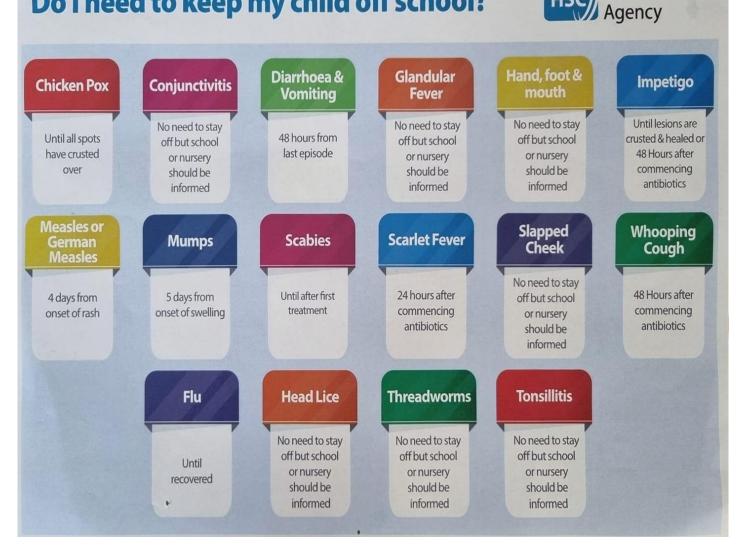
Sign up today - it will make a BIG difference to us. Please see the QR code.



**Public Health** 

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# Do I need to keep my child off school?



Friday 3rd November 2023 Gates Open at 5.30pm Firework Display at 7.15pm

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Friends of Romero

would like to invite you to join us at our

BBQ - Candy Floss - Sweets - Glo Ware Rides - Fire Performers - Mulled Wine Hot Chocolate - Fully Licensed Bar

and much, much more!



Tickets: Adults £5 / Children £3



Blue Badge Parking Only On-site / Please NO sparklers

Tickets available from: https://bit.ly/FOR-Fireworks2023 and James & James (George V Avenue, Goring-by-Sea, BN11 5SA)



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# GO WITH THE FLOW SWIM SCHOOL



## **WE OFFER**

### Intensive lessons for stages 1-4

### Monday - Friday between 9-11

23rd of October to the 27th October.

- Maximum 4 children per class.
- · Teachers in the water.
- £53 for 5x30min lessons.
- Fully qualified teachers and lifeguard.
- The Globe Primary School swimming pool in Lancing.

Contact: gowiththeflowswim@gmail.com

