

## St Peter's Community Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

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#### **ATTENDANCE**

Parents have a legal responsibility to ensure their child attends school and can be prosecuted if they fail to ensure their child's regular attendance at school or provide alternative education, as this is a criminal offence. A Fixed Penalty Notice, including a fine, may be issued for unauthorised absences. Leave of absence requests in term time will not be authorised for Year 6 children, nor for Year 1 or Year 2 in May or June due to statutory testing.

#### SICKNESS ABSENCE

We have a "48 hour" rule for sickness and diarrhoea, as per guidance from the School Nurse Team. Please keep your child away from school for 48 hours from the last time they were sick or had a tummy upset. This guidance is simply to keep your child as healthy as possible and to keep our school germs to a minimum.

#### Staffing Arrangements



We have begun transition for the next academic year and today told the children who their teachers and support staff are for next year.

We have appointed 3 new teachers for September; two to cover maternity leave and one as permanent replacement.

- Sheri Burt who was a PGCE student with us for the last year will be in Reception
- Michelle Maher who is in her third year of teaching will cover Mrs Mannion's maternity cover in Year 1
- Theresa Nimoh who is in her second year of teaching will cover the KS2 maternity leave by teaching in Year 4.

#### Goodbyes

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Miss Otter as she is relocating further east in the county. We wish her all the best for the future and thank her for all that she has contributed to St Peter's.

Mrs Eaton, one of our lunchtime staff, is now going to develop both her Spanish language school and her new venture as a Zumba teacher (details about her local classes are up in the school foyer). Although we will not see her at lunchtimes anymore, she will still be running our after school Spanish club.

Mr Puertas, who has been supporting in KS1, has accepted a new role in a secondary school supporting with language teaching and will be much missed by all the staff and children.

Mr Palmer who has been supporting in Year 4 is planning on becoming an actor, but potentially also training to be a teacher – he will be very good at either!

We also will be saying goodbye to Ms Mardrabeh as the child she has been supporting moves on to secondary school.

Nursery: Mrs Tribe, Miss Thomas and Miss Pierce

**Reception**: Miss Burt and Miss Marjoram

Yr 1: Mrs Maher and Ms Ransley

Yr 2: Miss Barnes and Mrs Savage

Yr 3: Mrs Palmer and Mrs Garrard

Yr 4: Miss Nimoh and Mrs Dines

Yr 5: Mr Ward and TBC

Yr 6: Mr Logue and TBC

Cover for any positions that are to be confirmed has been arranged as needed. Mrs McNeil, Mrs Hatton, Mrs Stafford, Miss Wiszniewska, Miss Parkin, Mrs Zak, Mrs Foster and Mrs Ward will all continue to work with our children.



#### School communication

Our website is kept up to date so please remember to check it regularly! Photos are in the <u>Gallery</u>, letters sent home are in the <u>News and Letters</u> section and the <u>Events Calendar</u> has information about all the latest St Peter's events: <u>www.stpeters.brighton-hove.sch.uk</u>

O Nursery start: 8.55am (doors close 9.00am) O Lunch: 12.00 − 1.00pm

#### Did you know...

In the UK, we use around 12 billion tin cans each year and if they were lined up, they would reach to the moon and back!



- Infant start: 8.40am (doors close 8.50am)
- Junior start: 8.40am (doors close 8.45am)
- Lunch: 12.00 1.00pm
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- Infant end of day: 3.10pm
- Junior end of day: 3.15pm
- O Nursery end of day: 3.00pm



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#### Sports Day

Our Sports Day was a rip roaring success and we had so many compliments about the activities on the day and the organisation. We do acknowledge however that the location can cause some difficulties for parents who have children in both the main school and Nursery and are looking at ways to help with this next year. A huge 'well done' to Mrs Mannion and Mr Logue for the organisation, and a thank you to parents for being cooperative with the necessary security arrangements at PACA.

We were also very impressed by the young PACA sports leaders – they were a credit to the school and very good at their roles on the day.

#### Summer Fayre

We were very lucky with the weather again this year and managed to raise the brilliant total of £1755! This was in no small part to the dedication and hard work of Carole Ward, the FOSPS chair, and Miss Lynch in the overall organisation. Thank you to all those staff and parents who supported by running stalls, attending the event and to Sally Shepherd for turning up specifically to help with the clearing up! It was all much appreciated.

#### **School Uniform**

Next week we are going to send a letter home with details about school uniform at St Peter's as we recognise that parents will be purchasing new items for the coming year. Sadly, as this year has gone on, there has been some slippage in the children's presentation and some deliberate flaunting of what we consider to be uniform. So we want parents to be completely clear about the expectations for school shoes, and other items of clothing such as trousers, skirts, tights, socks etc. This is an important part of our school life and we want the children to be both proud and respectful of it.

#### School Shoes Guidance for Academic Year 2019/20

We would like to draw the attention of parents/guardians to the importance of buying the correct school footwear for pupils. School shoes must be plain black leather / leather look, and either laced, with a strap or slip-on shoes.

For reasons of Health and Safety, maximum heel height is 2cms, measured on the outside of the heel.

Trainers or similar style shoes (including leather) are not permitted.

Boots may only be worn in the winter months if there are snowy or extremely cold conditions.

Please note: the following **do not conform** to school regulations and must not be purchased to be worn with school uniform:

- platform or wedge shoes
- canvas or other textile shoes
- · Vans, Converse and similar style shoes

#### Residentials

Year 4 and Year 6 have both been away on residentials in these last weeks and have had the most amazing time – have a look at the photographs on the website and you will se what I mean! Year 3 have their school sleepover tonight and I know that it will be great fun too! These trips only happen because school staff are willing to give up their time to enable the children to have these amazing experiences and I for one am so grateful that they do.

#### Governors

We are delighted to inform you Carole Ward, Year 3 parent, has been appointed as a Parent Governor. We will be advertising again next term as we still need another Parent Governor.

#### **School Vacancies**

We will soon be advertising support staff vacancies at St Peter's. Keep an eye on our website's home page for details of how to apply.

#### Before and After School Club Provision

#### St Peter's Daily After School Provision

Our After School Club will be opening at the end of September 2019! We are really excited about this venture and how it will help to support the childcare needs of our families. We will be sending out information about how to register your child before the end of term.

#### **Healthy little Steps Breakfast Club**

Sid Sloane's FREE weekly Breakfast Club provision will continue next year for Years 1 & 2 on <u>Wednesdays and Thursdays</u>. Children have really enjoyed participating in the club, which supports mental health and physical well-being through games, activities and mediation. Letters will come home soon.

#### St Mary's Breakfast Club

Our children have access to the St Mary's Daily Breakfast Club. Find out more <u>here</u>.

REMEMBER TO SHUT THE MAIN INFANT ENTRANCE GATE EVERY TIME YOU ENTER AND LEAVE, EVEN IF ONLY POPPING IN AS IT'S A SECURITY RISK! THANK YOU.