



St. Peter's Newsletter

Newsletter 3.9.2021

Welcome Back

What a wonderful start to our school year. It was so lovely to see our children and families and be greeted by such warm smiles. We look forward to our Reception children staying every morning and lunch next week. Listening to all the whole school sing together in worship for the first time in 18 months this week was quite something.



School vision and mission statement

Thank you to all stakeholders for their commitment, ideas and thoughts putting our new vision and mission statement together. We are really pleased with the final outcome. Our new mission statement and school vision is :



Our Vision

Our vision is for our children to go out into the world with the skills and confidence to succeed and the love, compassion and advocacy to make a positive impact on the world around them.

Mission Statement

"I have come in order that you might have life – life in all its fullness," John 10:10

It is our aim to enable every member of our school family to flourish and live life in all its fullness by:

- Teaching a broad and balanced curriculum,
- Holistically nurturing and developing our children,
- Helping those in need through loving service,
- Confronting injustice in our world and caring for creation.

The children will learn and discuss what these words mean to them and refer to them during their school lessons. We want this to be their vision, the vision of all stakeholders and the children to play an active part of our vision / mission statement. We want them to be able to flourish during their school years. We want our children to appreciate the wonderful world around them that God created and know that their personal actions can have an impact on their world now and in the future.

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Christian Value this half-term – Responsibility

'Do to others as you would have them do to you' Luke 6:31

Worship Themes next week:

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| Christian Value Workshops | Responsibility Taking Responsibility for what we say James 3 |
| Other worship themes | Afghanistan Special Story: The Taliban have taken control of Kabul, the capital city in Afghanistan. Some people are worried about how their lives will change and have been trying to leave the country. Question: What's happening in Afghanistan? |

Staffing



A big warm St. Peter's welcome to Mrs Tracy Highton who joins us in the school office working alongside Mrs Neville. We hope you settle in well and enjoy many happy years ahead at St. Peter's. We also congratulate the new Mrs Wood (Miss Hainsworth) who got married over the summer holidays.

Term dates

This year's holiday dates are available to download from the website. Please note, Friday 22nd October 2021 is an extra holiday date, the Friday before October Half Term.

Beginning of the Year Reminders

1. Rucksacks

We rolled this out last year due to the very limited space we have around coat pegs that children could not bring these into school. There are a few exceptions that the HT is aware of due to some personal reasons. Also, we are happy for children to put their school items in a rucksack if they are cycling to school. This really helps us with health and safety and busy coat pegs. Thank you for your understanding on this.

2. Water bottles

These need to be clear and with a sports top.

3. PE kits

Black shorts or a skirt alongside their coloured PE top. Black jogging bottoms / leggings can only be worn in the colder months for outdoor PE.

4. End of the day

"I have come in order that you might have life, life in all its fullness," John 10:10

A huge thank you for your support with this and standing at the edge of the top playground and spread out on the lower playground. This is really helping staff get your children to you safely at the end of the day.

5. Snacks

This can only be a piece of fruit or a pot of fruit.

6. Hair accessories

These must be plain and school colours or black/brown.

Dates for the Diary

These are on the school website for the full term although may be added to.

Christmas Pantomime

We have booked for the whole school to go to the Dukes Theatre to watch 'Beauty and the Beast' in December.

Meet the Teacher

This is taking place next Wednesday, 8th September starting at 6pm.

We are trying to limit large crowds indoors, so we won't have a large meeting in the school hall this year at the beginning. Please go straight to your teachers' class for a 6pm start.

They will introduce themselves and go through information relevant to your child's class. The blue gates will be open at around 5.50pm so that you can enter the Mitchell building for Years 3-6 and also enter the other classes from their outdoor fire exit for a 6pm start. We hope you find these useful and answer any queries early on in the year.



Activat8

Please see the attached flyer for this club.

Vacancy

We are looking for a welfare assistant to join our lunchtime staff. Either full time or part-time to supervise the children over the lunchtime. For more details, please pop into the school office.

COVID-19 and reporting positive cases

We went into Step 4 of the Road to Recovery on 16th August and quite a few restrictions have been lifted. Our new school's reopening plan and contingency plan are now both on the school website for you to read/download.

Please continue to let us know of any positive cases with your children. The email to use is still: positivetest@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk

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We still have several PCR home test kits in school for any child who displays symptoms if you need any, please just ask.

Credits for this week

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| Skylark Class | |
| Sanderling Class | |
| Oystercatcher Class | |
| Eiderduck Class | |
| Turnstone Class | |
| Dunlin Class | |
| Lapwing Class | |
| Curlew Class | |

Wishing you all a great Autumn Term. Please remember we are always here to answer any question or query.

Mrs Gomersall



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