

St. Peter's Newsletter

Newsletter 5.3.2021

School reopens fully next Monday, 8th March 2021 which we are really excited about. The reopening plan (version 8) is ready to download/read/print from the school website. Please familiarise yourself



with school arrangements from Monday. This plan goes into detail about:

- Family drop off and pick up times, gates and one-way system.
- Class bubbles
- Playtimes
- Staggered Lunchtimes. We are hoping to bring back the salad bar for KS2 initially and then full school.

The page is titled COVID-19. You will also find on this page all our remote learning information and links to helpful websites.

Attendance will be as per policy. Lates will be after 9am and unauthorised after 9.30am very similar to before.

NHS Test and Trace for parents, carers and household members.

NHS Test and Trace announced earlier this week, that all adults in households with school and college age children without symptoms can now access regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing.

Undertaking regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing helps reduce transmission of the virus. Parents and other adults in households with children at school or college, who do not have symptoms, can now access regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. This includes childcare and support bubbles.

Tests are fast, easy and completely free. There are different ways for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test to take at home, twice-weekly:

- through your employer, if they offer testing to employees
- by collecting a home test kit from a local test site anyone aged 18 or over can collect 2 packs of 7 tests
- by ordering a home test kit online please do not order online if you can access testing through other routes, this frees up home delivery for those who need it most

If you have any gueries about the tests, and you live in England, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm. Children of primary school age (and below) without symptoms are not being asked to take a test.

Testing is voluntary, but strongly recommended to all who are eligible. Alongside the vaccine, washing hands, wearing face coverings, and maintaining social distancing, rapid testing plays a vital role in reducing transmission rates. Getting into the habit of regular testing as part of our everyday lives will help us all to play our part and do what we can to protect each other.

www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-schoolpupils-and-staff

Feedback from Parental Questionnaire

There are some general areas that came up in the comments box that we can improve on or let you know where you can find the information. I shall go through these each week on the newsletter over the next few weeks.

1.) Separated parents

Communication is key for all children especially when they are in primary school and cannot communicate school news themselves. All parents should be communicating school information with all carers so that each child benefits from a busy school life. This is especially important where parents have separated as we can only send text messages and letters/newsletters to the main carer. To help with this all letters, newsletters are on the school website to view. The diary dates are all on the website in school calendar. Parents Evening this time is great as the adult who books the appointment can add a guest.

2.) Where to find out what your child is learning.

This information is on the school website. Each class has a page and the whole year curriculum with topics and areas they focus on in each subject etc can be found on here. I hope you find these useful. Also on the school website are all the end of year objectives in reading, writing and number. These can be found in the curriculum section in the parents tab.



Red Nose Day, Friday 19th March

Nice and simple - if the children want to bring a donation in and wear something red then this is the perfect day for them. The children will be raising money and learning about this important charity.

Christian Value this Half-Term

Forgiveness

Worship next week

Lent



Parents Evening

You should have all had a letter and information about how to book a slot for Parents Evening on March 17th /18th 3.30pm-7pm each evening. If you haven't then we may not have your correct email details on SIMS. If this is the case please get in touch with the school office. Many thanks.



Easter gardens

Attached with this newsletter is an Easter Garden information pack if you would like to take part and make a garden this year at home. Children can do a family one if they wish. Please bring them into school on Monday 22nd March 2021 – I am sure we will find some Easter prizes and certificates.

Staff Vacancies

We currently have 3 vacancies which are all advertised, or soon will be on the LA website. I shall also put this information on the vacancy section of the school website.

- 1.) School Business Support Officer
- 2.) Part-Time cleaner to cover a maternity
- 3.) Part-Time welfare assistant to cover a maternity

Credits for the week

Skylarks - Alfie, Noah, Mollie and Rowan Wa

Sanderlings – Oliver Ho

Oystercatchers – Amelia B, Myleigh, Joseph, Ariana, Ethan, Thea, Megan, Jamie, Jacob, Charlie, Amelia Ba and Oliver

Eiderducks - Daniel, Jacob, Theo, Sienna, Sophie, Jack and Dylan

Year 3 - Elsie

Year 4 – Jack, Sebastian, Ethan, Harry M, Owen H, Lucie and James Mc

Year 5 - Olivia D and Phoebe

Year 6 - Amelie, Millie, Oscar, Chloe, Joseph, Jasmine M, Eva, Emily, Edward, Evie, Josh, Milo and Amy.

Dates coming up

8th March - School fully reopens 15th March - Class photographs 17th March - St. Patrick's Day 17th/18th March - Parents' Evening 23rd March - Easter Lunch 25th March - Egg Rolling Day

Important email addresses

- 1. If there is a positive test result in your household. Please let us know who this is and when your child will need to self-isolate to positivetest@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk
- 2. General school information to <u>bursar@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk</u>

Really looking forward to seeing you all next week.

Take care everyone Mrs Gomersall