

## NEWSLETTER

NO 5 / SPRING TERM

Dear Parents/Carers,

St. Peter's has been enjoying a sporty few weeks, whether in friendly competition with our locality schools or more competitive matches and tournaments with schools in outer areas. Please do have a look at the sports reports to see what we have been up to. Can I also say a big thank you to all the Parents/carers who kindly offer to help with driving the children to any event, not just sporting, that St. Peter's is involved with. It wouldn't be possible for us to attend these occasions without your invaluable help.

#### RESILIENT, RESPECTFUL, RESOURCEFUL & AIMING HIGH

**Core Values** - Congratulations to the following children for being 'Animal of the Week' for w/e 10th March 2017

Y1	Fintan Murphy – Aiming High
	Emily Hunt – Aiming High
Y6	Deanna Stredwick – Aiming High
	Dominico Capaldi-Drewett – Aiming High

Comic Relief - As part of fundraising for Comic Relief next Friday, red noses will be on sale from Monday for the usual price of £1. Y6 will be on the playground at breaktimes throughout the week, should your child wish to buy one. On the day, children are invited to come to school in something 'funny' or red. Football kits are not allowed. Y6 will also be by the gates on the morning to collect any donation you would like to make. If your child is involved in any fundraising outside of school, it would be great to be able to put pictures on our website so please do take a photograph during the activity and drop it in to the school office.



### Our Maths Investigators:

Y5: Florence Drew / James Allison

Y6: Isabella Cridland / Gina Capaldi-Drewett

Sports News (Mrs Tickel, Mrs Garmston & Mrs Searles)

Y3 Football - On Friday 3rd March a small group of Y3
boys played in our first football tournament in Horsham
Park, run by Horsham District Council's Sports
Development team alongside some enthusiastic
students from Collyers. The boys played extremely well
despite horrific pitch conditions. With no natural goalie,
the boys only conceded one goal over the seven
matches with some particularly amazing saves. We
became runners up in the tournament only being

pipped from first place by an extremely strong Southwater A side, who we incidentally drew 0-0 with. Southwater didn't concede any goals which left them with 33 points and St Peter's with 31. Well done to all the boys who played; they barely had time to breath let alone grab a drink between games.

Friday 17th March



Y4 Football - Last Friday it was the Y4's turn. Again our children showed their skills, courage and talent by playing some fantastic football. We played four games, winning 2-0, 11-0, 10-0 and drawing one game with Leechpool 0-0. This draw saw the team joint top of the leader board in our group but due to the significant goal difference, we went through to the final to play Shelley Primary. By half time we were 1-0 down but after a nail biting second half, managed to get that elusive goal to bring us to a 1-1 draw. Despite both schools agreeing to a joint win, in football things are never that easy and so like the England football team, the boys took up their positions at the penalty line. Unfortunately the final score saw us lose 2-1 (at least we kept in-line with our national squad!) but despite the gut wrenching finish and natural devastation felt by the boys, they were all extremely gracious in their defeat cheering an obviously ecstatic Shelley team. A massive congratulations to all the team, they all played amazingly with some great goals, fantastic assists and superb defending. A huge thank you to our goalie, Harry, for stepping in to cover sickness Friday morning. Despite not having to do a great deal of keeping until the last game, he remained focused and alert throughout. Congratulations boys on coming runners up.



Y3 Benchball - On Monday 13th March we hosted our first ever Y3 benchball competition against Jolesfield and Upper Beeding. It was a beautiful day and the children all played with great determination and demonstrated some fantastic ball skills. We won both of our games and finished as the winners! Well done to all the children that took part.

Y5/6 Football - In the Autumn term our Y5/6 Football team qualified for the Area Partnership Football Finals held on Wednesday 15th March at Littlehampton Academy. 12 schools participated from across the region playing on Astro and 3G pitches. The team was hungry for success, insisting on wearing our somewhat dishevelled and slightly small orange kit for luck. The competition was extremely tough, leading us to draw 2 games 0-0, win 2 games and lose our last game 3-0 against a strong Buckingham Park team. This left us in 3rd position within our group and playing for 5th or 6th. After some great "swooping in" and "floating" of the ball, the elusive goal just didn't come and at the final whistle the score remained 0-0, both teams taking joint 5th. This left us way above both Steyning teams, with whom we have a friendly rivalry. Man of the Match went to Adam for his terrific reading of all the games and ability to be in the right place when needed most. His determination and resilience in the last game really shone through, keeping us to a goalless draw. We know the boys were disappointed with the end result but they all played amazingly and should be extremely proud of themselves.



#### Netball Winners!

The netball team took part in their last tournament last night and finished as overall winners of our locality. This



means we retained the title we gained last year and go on to represent the area at the partnership finals. Huge congratulations to all of the children who played in any of the three tournaments a well deserved win.

### Our Writers, w/e: 10th March 2017

Y1: Charles Walford / Arthur Fenwick

Y2: Jensen Pang / Lola Spindler

Y3: Lily Rose Phillips / Serena Ballard

Y4: Roel Konnen / Maisie Ridley

Y5: Felix Venter / Adam Ware

Y6: Oliver Mackinnon / Harvey Jack Payne



# CALENDAR DATES

March

Fri 17th: PTA Quiz Night, 7.30pm doors open

Tues 21st: Y5 Music Festival, Steyning Grammar School

Wed 22<sup>nd</sup>: Chanctonbury Challenge

Fri 24th: Y4 Assembly

Red Nose Day

Class Reps Meeting, 2.15pm Wed 29th: Y5/6 visit to Houses of Parliament

Fri 31st: Y5 Assembly

Y1 visit to Paradise Park Last day of After School Clubs

PTA Easter Fiesta

<u>April</u>

Tues 4th: Chanctonbury Challenge Wed 5th: Y6 Junior Citizen afternoon

Fri 7th: Easter Service, St. Peter's Church, 9.30am

Last day of Spring Term

Mon 24th: Summer Term starts

Thurs 27th: Y6 Isle of Wight Residential Meeting, 6.00pm

May

Mon 1st: Bank Holiday - school closed

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup>: Summer Term After School Clubs start

w/b 8th: KS2 Test Week Fri 12th: PTA School Disco

w/b 22<sup>nd</sup>: Y6 Residential to the Isle of Wight Thurs 25<sup>th</sup>: Y2 Singing Festival – Steyning Primary

w/b 29th: Half-term

<u>June</u>

Tues 6th: Class Photos – JP Photographic

Wed 14th: Y3 visit to Butser Ancient Farm (details to follow)

Y4 Orca African Drumming concert, 2.30pm

Mon 19th: Henfield Cricket Tournament Fri 23rd: Open Afternoon, 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Thurs 29th: St. Peter's Day Service, St. Peter's Church, 9.30am

Fri 30th: Sports Day

July

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>: Reserve Sports Day

Tues 4th: Y6 Leavers Assembly, Lancing College

Wed 5th: Y6 Production
Thurs 6th: Y6 Production

Fri 7th: Y5/Y6 visit to Houses of Parliament
Wed 12th: Parent Report drop-in, 3.30 – 5.00pm
Thur 13th: Y5 Connect to the Countryside trip

Mon 17th: Y6 Leavers Service, St. Peter's Church, 2.00pm

Tues 18th: Changing classes afternoon

Parent drop-in to meet new Teacher, 3.30-4.30pm

Wed 19th: Y6 final Assembly Fri 21st: Last day of term

**Did you know** ... Comic Relief was set up in 1985 by a group of comedians who wanted to use comedy and laughter to raise awareness about poverty in the UK and Africa. Over £337 million has been raised and 7,000 grants made for some of the poorest and most vulnerable people in the UK and Africa. With plenty of fundraising ideas available why don't you do something, a sponsored silence, cake sale or perhaps ask family to sponsor you for not using your mobile, gaming device for a week (there was a time when we all coped without them!).