

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Chanctonbury Challenge** - The second challenge "Too old for Tech" was held last Wednesday when the children had to use their social and ICT skills to create a powerpoint with a resident from Red Oaks. The children were brilliant and a very enjoyable morning was had by all. David (from St Peters) and Harley (from Steyning Primary) worked with John to make a powerpoint entitled 'John's Varied Life'. All the powerpoints will be shown at the awards ceremony in July. The third challenge "Working in your Wellies" takes place today when the children will be going to do some gardening, planting things that they will eventually cook with.



**Comic Relief** – An amazing £660 was raised for Comic Relief. Well done to the Charity Reps for arranging such an enjoyable fundraising day.



**Y5/6 Houses of Parliament Visit** – We had a very successful trip to Westminster Abbey and the Houses of Parliament last Wednesday. It was a hectic day trying to get everything we wanted to see and do done in the time we had but ultimately it was very successful and we got to sit in the House of Parliament whilst Theresa May delivered her Article 50 speech. A piece of history for all the children to put in their scrapbooks!

**Staff News** – we have 2 sad farewells to make this term, to Mrs Ringshaw and Bob Tucknott. On Thursday Mrs Ringshaw will be leaving St. Peter's, having supported all year groups since she joined us in 2014 as a supply teacher and more recently as PPA Teacher. Mrs Ringshaw was much valued among the staff and will be very much missed. We are also saying a sad goodbye to Bob Tucknott, one of our Premises Officers who has decided to retire owing to ill-health. Bob has been at St. Peter's since 2008 and during that time has been a popular member of the team, assisting with the day-to-day running of the premises and helping staff with all sorts of jobs each day. On behalf of everyone we thank Mrs Ringshaw and Bob for their support and commitment to St. Peter's, and wish them both well for the future. They shall be missed.

## Our Maths Investigators : w/e 24<sup>th</sup> March

Y1: Oscar Jowett  
Y2: Seb Bantock / William Briscoe  
Y3: Gunar Konnen / Darcey Martin  
Y4: Hannah Butter  
Y5: Finn Green / Edward Ridgwell  
Y6: Lily Smith / Samuel Hilton



**Y1 Paradise Park Visit** – Y1 had a fantastic time at Paradise Park last Friday, with even the weather being kind and staying dry. The children enjoyed looking at the models and fossils, with the hi-light of the visit being a trip on the train.



## Eco Award

The Eco-Committee have worked very hard leading the school towards the bronze Eco-award which we are going to apply for this term. We would like to share with you our school Eco-code:

*St. Peter's school can make a difference*  
*Addressing environmental issues*  
*Valuing the world that we live in*  
*Everyone working together*

*Observing our beautiful Earth*  
*Using our resources wisely*  
*Reduce, Reuse, Recycle*



*Preserving and protecting our planet*  
*Learning how to be more Eco-friendly*  
*Acting on behalf of everyone*  
*Nature needs us*  
*Each and every one can save the planet*  
*This is our Eco-code*

**Local residents & Parking** – Please could we ask Parents/Carers to be mindful of local residents when parking for the school run in the morning or afternoon. This morning I have received a complaint of aggressive verbal language being used by a Parent towards a neighbour of St. Peter's. Henfield Leisure Centre is happy for Parents/Carers to use their car park which leaves the roads clear for our local residents. There is a one-way system in place and we would urge Parents, when leaving, to use Staples Barn as an exit road leaving Fabians Way clear for oncoming traffic.





## Sports Reports

### Y5 Football

On Friday 17th March a small group of Y5 children played in the Horsham District Sport Development Cup. On yet another grey and cold afternoon, the boys played their socks off against some very stiff competition. Whilst we looked great in some games, we really struggled in others and finished the afternoon winning 2 out of our 4 games. Well done to all the boys, scoring some glorious goals, making super saves and winning some tricky tackles. Thank you once again to the parents who came to support and drove the children to the tournament.



### Y6 Football

On Friday 24th March, the Y6 football team represented St Peter's in the Horsham District Development Cup. The team faced our toughest matches yet, needing to win both games in our group. Unfortunately despite winning one game comfortably, we ended up drawing with Greenway school which led the team to face sudden death penalties. Sadly we lost 5-4 so we're unable to be placed within the top 4 teams. Our next game we drew, which led to sudden death penalties yet again. This time we won, which put us through to face a final game against Billingshurst Primary. Once again we drew and so faced our third penalty shoot-out. By this point nerves were frayed and we were all feeling the pressure. Despite excellent keeping by Liam, we lost this round of penalties, leaving us to take 6th place. A massive well done to all the children who played; we faced 3 of the toughest teams of the tournament and they should be proud of their achievement.



### Y2 Multi-sports

On Friday 31st March, a group of Y2 children attended a multi-sport event held at Steyning Primary School. The children learnt 3 new games; Alaskan Rounders, Rainbow Rounders and Handball. It was a great opportunity for the children to try out new skills, mix with other schools in our locality and generally have a fun filled afternoon. Thanks to two of our Y6 Sports Ambassadors who came along to support Y2, who were able to take part in running activities.



### Sussex Primary Schools U11 Basketball Finals

St Peter's School, Henfield qualified for the finals as third out of its local competition so weren't much fancied but their improvement and fighting qualities, led by pocket battleship Tristan, saw them punch above their weight and Waterfield were the first to feel the force in a fantastic match that finished 14-all before the real shock of them taking out Birchwood Grove 8-6 took place. St Peter's then moved into the top group with a shot at the title, Birchwood having to be content with going through to the second pool and Waterfield unbelievably into the lowest tier. The top group produced matches and excitement to give a fitting climax to the proceedings. Holmbush started things off by edging out St Peter's 12-11. Could the title be heading to the South Coast? St Peter's kept huffing and puffing to try and keep their hopes alive but try as they might they couldn't force the St Joseph's train off the tracks, the match ending 16-10 to the Haywards Heathers' advantage. St Peter's finished third overall out of nine teams after a very impressive performance.

*Ian Ford, Horsham schools sports development officer.*

Finally, St Peter's would like to thank Henfield Football Club's Under 12 team for donating their old kit to the school. They were fortunate enough to get a new kit just recently courtesy of their sponsor "Coles Automotive" and as their kit was in such great condition gave it to us. Thanks also to Alex, Richard and the team at Coles who came up with the idea.

*Mrs Tickel, Mrs Garmston & Mrs Searles*



## RESILIENT, RESPECTFUL, RESOURCEFUL & AIMING HIGH

**Core Values** - Congratulations to the following children for being 'Animal of the Week':

### Week Ending: 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Y1	Lilla O'Neill – Resilient / Aiming High George Jordan – Resourceful
Y2	Sienna Bantock – Aiming High Ayla Milward – Aiming High
Y3	Archie Makey – Aiming High
Y4	Otis Baldwin – Aiming High Darcey Bantock – Aiming High
Y5	Megan Hollis – Aiming High Alex Carter – Aiming High
Y6	Katy Furber – Aiming High Cameron Avern – Aiming High

### Week Ending: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

Y1	Molly West – Aiming High Jessica Stephenson – Aiming High
Y2	Megan Eastaff – Resilient Summer Bridgewater – Resilient
Y3	Cassiel Shirfield – Aiming High Darcey Martin – Aiming High
Y4	Lilli-Mai Citrone – Respectful Tristan Curran – Aiming High
Y5	Florence Drew – Aiming High Edward Robinson – Aiming High
Y6	Samuel Hilton – Resourceful Harvey Prince – Aiming High

### PTA Update

Well what a term it's been for the PTA, from Quiz nights to the Easter Fiesta and cake competitions, mixed in with some textile recycling and more fun than you can shake a stick at. We are so thrilled to have received such lovely feedback on the Quiz Night and by the number of amazingly creative entries we received in the Great Easter Bake off. We're really busy planning for next term's fundraising activities including our summer term disco and of course the annual Fun Run. If you fancy getting in training now for the parents race, our lovely friends at Henfield Joggers have a new 8 week Jogging for Beginners course starting at 7pm tomorrow night (5th April) at Henfield Leisure Centre. For further details please contact the club on [enquiries@henfieldjoggers.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@henfieldjoggers.co.uk).

Before we head off for the Easter break, we must announce our lucky competition winners:

### Great Easter Bake Off:

KS1 Lucas Tulip & KS2 Bobby Lancaster

### 100 Club Winners:

No.52 Jodie Hitchcock & No.100 Tim Furber

All that leaves for us to say is a Huge Thank you to all of you for your truly wonderful support including generous donations of money, time and prizes for our events. There are far too many of you to list by name in this Newsletter so please check out May's edition of the BN5 for a full list of these incredible folks and companies. Happy Easter one and all!

PTA

**Confirmation Service** – If any child in Y6 is interested in being confirmed, the Bishop of Chichester will be visiting Hurstpierpoint Church on 13<sup>th</sup> July to confirm children and adults. Please contact Revd Paul for further details on [admin@henfield.org](mailto:admin@henfield.org).

St. Peter's closes for the Easter holidays this Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> April returning for the Summer Term on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April. I take this opportunity to wish all the children, families and staff of St. Peter's a lovely Easter and enjoyable break.

With kind regards,

  
S. McCulley  
Headteacher



Come and discover the real Easter story, plus craft, games and singing. Come and join the fun!  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2017, 3.00pm to 4.00pm followed by a tea of sandwiches and cakes.

Suitable for aged 5 – 11 year olds at Henfield Evangelical Free Church, High Street, Henfield.  
For further details contact Olwen 01403 864185

A new way to give to your school - please use this website to donate books:

<https://www.givingchildrenbooks.com/appeal/stpetersbookappeal>

Collect free donations for charities and good causes every time you buy online  
[www.easypundraising.org.uk](http://www.easypundraising.org.uk)

**Did you know ...** Easter is celebrated on a different date each year as it is based on the lunar calendar and the position of the moon. It is held on the Sunday following the first full moon occurring after 21<sup>st</sup> March. We exchange eggs as they represent a symbol of new beginnings, new life and renewed faith. This dates back to the Egyptians and Persians who painted eggs as gifts to symbolize fertility and new life. Chocolate Easter eggs were not introduced until the early 1900s.





## CALENDAR DATES

### April

Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> :	Chanctonbury Challenge - Wiston Flower Farm
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> :	Y6 Junior Citizen afternoon
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> :	Easter Service, St. Peter's Church, 9.30am Last day of Spring Term
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> :	Summer Term starts
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> :	Y6 Isle of Wight Residential Meeting, 6.00pm
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> :	PTA Fun Run

### May

Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> :	Bank Holiday – school closed
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	Summer Term After School Clubs start
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> :	Chanctonbury Challenge
w/b 8 <sup>th</sup> :	KS2 Test Week
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> :	PTA School Disco
w/b 22 <sup>nd</sup> :	Y6 Residential to the Isle of Wight
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> :	Y5 visit to Brighton (details to follow)
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> :	Chanctonbury Challenge
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> :	Y2 Singing Festival – Steyning Primary
w/b 29 <sup>th</sup> :	Half-term

### June

Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> :	Class Photos – JP Photographic
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> :	Y3 visit to Butser Ancient Farm (details to follow) Y4 Orca African Drumming concert, 2.30pm
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> :	Henfield Cricket Tournament
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> :	Open Afternoon, 2.00pm – 4.00pm
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> :	St. Peter's Day Service, St. Peter's Church, 9.30am
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> :	Sports Day

### July

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> :	Reserve Sports Day
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> :	Y6 Leavers Assembly, Lancing College
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> :	Y6 Production
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> :	Y6 Production
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> :	Y5/Y6 visit to Houses of Parliament
Tue 11 <sup>th</sup> :	Y6 Leavers Party, 7.00 – 9.00pm
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> :	Parent Report drop-in, 3.30 – 5.00pm
Thur 13 <sup>th</sup> :	Y5 Connect to the Countryside trip
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> :	Y6 Leavers Service, St. Peter's Church, 2.00pm Chanctonbury Challenge Presentation Day
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> :	Changing classes afternoon Parent drop-in to meet new Teacher, 3.30-4.30pm
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> :	Y6 final Assembly
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> :	Last day of term

