

Dear Parents/Carers,

Y6 visit Henfield Haven – Well done to Olly, Billy, Marisa and Izzy for being our first volunteers to spend an afternoon working at Henfield Haven. They helped serve lunch and then entertained the visitors with a variety of activities



Y5 Isle of Wight Meeting – the information meeting for Year 5 Parents will be taking place on Monday 8th May at 6.00pm, here in school. This is an important opportunity for information about the residential to be given to Parents, so please do come if you are able.

Our Maths Investigators : w/e 28th April

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



After School Clubs – Please note that on Monday 15th May there will be no Eco club, Alaskan Rounders or Singing club. This is owing to staff attending locality meetings. Cricket, Tennis & French will be on, as usual.

Gardening Club – if any Parent/Carer has any seeds or young plants that could be used in the gardening club/ key stage 2 garden, they would be gratefully received, particularly vegetables or quick flowering plants.



Our website – we are aware that currently our website is not working. We are investigating the reason why, along with our IT provider and West Sussex County Council and hope to have it accessible again very soon. Should Parents/Carers need any information that would normally be available through the website, please do pop in to the office or email us office@stpetershenfield.org.uk.

It is also worth noting that during the Easter holidays, our main office email address changed to office@stpetershenfield.org.uk. At present any emails being sent to the old address are being forwarded on, however at some point it will not be operational so please do make a note and start using our new one.

RESILIENT, RESPECTFUL, RESOURCEFUL & AIMING HIGH

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

Week Ending: 5th May 2017

YR	Teddy Easterbrook – Resilient Bella Stott – Resilient Isobel Boosey – Aiming High Ross Taylor – Aiming High
Y1	Rupert Wilson – Aiming High Rory Newlyn – Aiming High
Y2	Noah Gargano – Aiming High Alix Duke – Aiming High
Y3	Bradley Martin – Resilient Jake West – Resilient
Y4	Adele Edwards – Resilient Isabelle Griffiths – Resilient
Y5	Charlotte Avern – Resilient Faith Streeton – Resilient
Y6	Nathan Lurkins – Respectful Alf Phillipps – Resourceful

Welcome Meetings – It has been decided that the 'Welcome Meetings' normally held in the first few weeks in September would be more beneficial if they were held before the Summer holidays so that Parents were aware of the expectations ahead for their child transitioning to a new year group. Therefore please make a note in your diaries of the following meetings:

Tuesday 18th July

New Y1 (current YR), 3.30 – 4.00pm

New Y2 (current Y1), 4.00 – 4.30pm

Wednesday 19th July

New Y3 (current Y2), 3.30 – 4.00pm

New Y4 (current Y3), 4.00 – 4.30pm

Thursday 20th July

New Y5 (current Y4), 3.30 – 4.00pm

New Y6 (current Y5), 4.00 – 4.30pm

Owing to the movement of these Welcome Meetings, the 'Parent drop-in to meet the new Teacher' planned for Wednesday 18th July has been cancelled.

Attendance – congratulations to the 98 children who had 100% attendance in the Spring Term. Certificates recognising this brilliant achievement will be coming home today.



House Cup - congratulations also to children in **Phoenix** who have successfully retained the House Cup for the Spring Term. The points were as follows:

Phoenix – 6690

Eagle – 5070

Kestrel – 5587

Hawk – 3831



Sports Reports

Area Partnership Netball Champions

Before Easter the netball team took part in the Area Partnership Netball Finals at Worthing College. All of the competing schools had won their area tournaments so the standard was very high. The children played extremely well showing passion and determination, winning 6 games drawing one and narrowly losing one. I am proud to say that we finished as winners of the tournament and now go on to represent the area in the Sussex Games in June. This is a huge achievement for a relatively small school as we were facing schools with 7 and 8 form entries! Congratulations to the children for a fantastic result.



Mrs Tickel

Fundraising - Many Parents/Carers ask how they can contribute to their child's education. One way is to use www.givingchildrenbooks.com/appeal/stpetersbookeappeal which lets you pick as many or as few new reading books as you wish. A really good idea.

Another way is to use www.easyfundraising.org.uk. This site lets you continue with your purchases at Amazon or M&S or wherever and gives a small percentage to us directly from the site so this one is a no brainer.

Gate Lock – our playground gate (near the Leisure Centre) is missing its key for securing into the ground. Please could we ask everyone to keep a look-out for it and if found, return to the School Office. Thank you.



PTA Update

100 Club - Congratulations to Luke Baldwin (70) and Richard Searles (82) for being April's lucky 100 club winners. They both win £50.

Fun Run - A big thank you to everyone who supported the fun run last Friday. What a brilliant event and just a quick reminder to collect in all sponsorship money and make sure it is returned to school by 12th May.

PTA Disco - Speaking of 12th May, don't forget that the PTA school disco will be taking place next Friday. Here's a quick reminder of the timings:

YR to Y3	6-00pm until 7-00pm	£2.00
Y4 to Y6	7-30pm until 9-00pm	£2.50

Keep an eye on those book bags for song choice slips!

And finally, we are really, REALLY excited to announce that this summer we will be launching FieldFest 2017. On 8th July, the school field will be transformed in to Henfield's newest festival with 4 hours of top quality live music, fabulous food and drink and all the trimmings you would expect at this kind of event. We are in the thick of the planning at the moment so if there are any budding Ed Sheerans or Adele's out there please get in touch as we'd love to have you perform. Equally, if you would like to run a stall, class, workshop or simply volunteer at what is sure to be a brilliant event, please contact Jo on 07747 065 770.

PTA

Finally, Jill Dyson, one of our Governors, is riding the London to Brighton bike ride on Sunday 18th June. All sponsors are welcomed with open arms! You can donate either through the www.JustGiving.com page and 'Jill Dyson's page' or just in an envelope when she has completed the ride. Ms Dyson is doing this in aid of undiagnosed heart disease for the British Heart Foundation with a target amount of £650! So every little bit will help and greatly appreciated!

With kind regards,

S. McCulley
Headteacher



Did you know ... Polar bears have lived in the Arctic for many years and are able to live in the deep freeze for many reasons. They have thick fur that keeps in their body heat with small ears and a small tail which means they lose less heat. When curled up, a polar bear may cover its muzzle (nose) with a paw to help conserve heat, and a polar bear is so strong, that it can kill an animal with one blow from its paw.

CALENDAR DATES



May

w/b 8th: KS2 Test Week
 Fri 12th: PTA School Disco
 w/b 22nd: Y6 Residential to the Isle of Wight
 Tues 23rd: Y5 visit to Brighton
 Y4 visit by Minerva
 Wed 24th: Chanctonbury Challenge
 Thurs 25th: Y2 Singing Festival – Steyning Primary
 Fri 26th: YR visit to Ladyland Farm
 w/b 29th: Half-term

June

Tues 6th: Class Photos – JP Photographic
 Wed 14th: Y3 visit to Butser Ancient Farm
 Y4 Orca African Drumming concert, 2.30pm
 Mon 19th: Henfield Cricket Tournament
 Wed 21st: Reserve day – Y4 Orca African Drumming Concert
 Fri 23rd: Open Afternoon, 2.00pm – 4.00pm
 Thurs 29th: St. Peter's Day Service, St. Peter's Church, 9.30am
 Y6 Production rehearsal, 3.15 – 5.30pm
 Fri 30th: Sports Day

July

Mon 3rd: Reserve Sports Day
 Tues 4th: Y6 Leavers Assembly, Lancing College
 Wed 5th: Y6 Transition Day – Steyning Grammar School
 Y6 Transition Day - Downlands
 Y6 Production
 Thurs 6th: Y6 Production
 Fri 7th: Y5/Y6 visit to Houses of Parliament
 Sat 8th: PTA School Fete
 Tue 11th: Y6 Leavers Party, 7.00 – 9.00pm
 Mon 10th: Parent Report drop-in, 3.30 – 5.00pm *Please note this change of date, originally planned for Wed 12th July.*
 Thur 13th: Y5 Connect to the Countryside trip
 Fri 14th: Last day of After School Clubs (except Karate)
 Mon 17th: Y6 Leavers Service, St. Peter's Church, 2.00pm
 Chanctonbury Challenge Presentation Day
 Tues 18th: Changing classes afternoon
 New Y1 Welcome Meeting, 3.30pm – 4.00pm
 New Y2 Welcome Meeting, 4.00pm – 4.30pm
 Wed 19th: Y6 final Assembly
 New Y3 Welcome Meeting, 3.30pm – 4.00pm
 New Y4 Welcome Meeting, 4.00pm – 4.30pm
 Thurs 20th: New Y5 Welcome Meeting, 3.30pm – 4.00pm
 New Y6 Welcome Meeting, 4.00pm – 4.30pm
 Fri 21st: Last day of term