

NEWSLETTER

NO 3 / SUMMER TERM

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Henfield Garden & Arts - We were delighted to take part in the Village Gardens and Arts weekend on Saturday. Over the day, we welcomed many visitors to the school who really enjoyed viewing the exhibition of our children's work around the Take One Picture theme and exploring our Key Stage One outdoor classroom and memorial garden. Thanks in particular to children from Y2 & Y5 who entertained us with their singing.

Y6

Isle of Wight - Y6 had a fantastic week on the Isle of Wight at PGL before half term with wonderful weather to match! Children enjoyed a variety of activities, ranging from kayaking to climbing, abseiling, orienteering and fencing. We felt the children really developed their co-operative teamwork skills, working together but also encouraging each other with challenging tasks brilliantly. We were very impressed with them over the week and hope they have lots of fun memories to treasure!

Equalities Day – on Tuesday and Wednesday last week, Y6 were visited by Steyning Grammar School Equality Commissioners and their teachers. Each class had a workshop for a day, learning about equality in race, gender and disability amongst other aspects of equality. A particular highlight for the children was experiencing and testing how accessible our school is for wheelchair users! Thank you to the teachers and students of Steyning Grammar for their time and effort, and for provoking some thoughtful conversations.

Our Maths Investigators:





Y3: Rupert Heal / Tom Allison

Y4: Owen Bayross / Joshua Law

Y5: Dylan Wadhams / Phoebe Clarke

Absence – If you are reporting your child as being unwell, and unable to come to school, why not try emailing us on our new 'absence' email address – absence@stpetershenfield.org.uk. This is only to be used for absences, any change in pick-up arrangements still need to be reported by telephoning Jodie before 3.00pm, to ensure the change is given to the Class Teacher in time for the end of school. Similarly, any request for extended absence e.g. holiday need to be requested using a leave of absence form, obtained from the office.

Y5 Charity Day – As mentioned last week, this Thursday Y5 will be holding a fundraising event in aid of a charity called Snehalya. The children have learnt about the charity, who support deprived children in India by providing a safe living environment and learning opportunities, from Mrs Tickel's daughter, Izzy, who recently undertook a project on Snehalya through her university work. Through Izzy's own experience, the children felt they also wanted to do some fundraising to help and are planning to hold an event next Thursday, 15th June with mini games and a cake sale after school. Money raised will go directly to paying for a treat for the children in India, such as a picnic and an ice cream.

Sports Reports

<u>Competition T-shirts</u> – Our supply is desperately low, with tops used for recent matches/tournaments not returned. Currently we have 9 polo shirts and 19 round neck t-shirts missing. They are our school green with the school logo on the front. Please could we ask that they are returned quickly, as soon we will have to revert to our old ones which are very tatty. Thank you. *Mrs Tickel*

RESILIENT, RESPECTFUL, RESOURCEFUL & AIMING HIGH

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

ΥR	Fletcher Flynn – Resilient/Aiming High
	Luke Bishop – Resilient
	Zoe Drye – Aiming High
	Malachy Dixon – Aiming High
	leuan Lee-Griffiths – Aiming High
Y1	Ruby Montero-Burlton – Respectful
	Jacob Deffley – Aiming High
Y2	Lola George – Aiming High
	Tom Carter – Aiming High
Y3	Zen Little – Aiming High
	Jack Norris – Aiming High
Y4	Joshua Law – Aiming High
	Blue Willmott – Aiming High
Y5	Laurence Pound – Aiming High
	Charlotte Penning – Aiming High
Y6	Archie Robinson – Aiming High
	Annabelle Martin – Aiming High

Staff News - following Class Teacher interviews, before half-term, I am pleased to confirm that Mr Christopher Furst will be joining St. Peter's as a Class Teacher in September. With Mr Furst's appointment, I thought that Parents would appreciate early notice of the teacher structure for next year:

Mr S. McCulley: Headteacher Mrs L. Roberts: Deputy Headteacher

Miss C. Watkins: Senco & Inclusion Manager YR Octopus: Mrs J. Jewell/Mrs J. Walker

YR Starfish: Mrs A. Powell Y1 Puffins: Miss H. Duncliffe

Y1 Seahorses: Mrs Z. Ellis-Somerville/Mrs S. Boghurst

Y2 Dolphins: Mrs H. Wise Y2 Turtles: Mr C. Furst Y3 Stingray: Miss W. Peploe Y3 Sharks: Miss R. Carroll Y4 Orca: Mrs T. Flood Murphy Y4 Swordfish: Mr M. Stennina

Y5 Seals: Mrs A. Tickel/Mrs E.Fieldsend

Y5 Penguins: Mrs J. McGuffog Y6 Polar Bears: Miss M. Foster Y6 Pelicans: Miss A. Crouch

PTA Update

FieldFest Needs You!

We hope you've seen our lovely FieldFest posters and banners popping up all over Henfield. Less than a month now to go until the big event and to say we are excited would be a huge understatement! Hopefully you have your tickets and are all ready to join us for a brilliant day.

In the meantime, please don't forget that we need your help in order to make this the best PTA event yet. Here's a little reminder of how you can get involved......

- 1. Make a donation to the tombola's that will be situated in the FieldFest Mini Market. We need soft toys for the kids and bottles for the grown-ups please. All donations can be dropped off at the school office from now until the 7th July
- 2. Make a cake, cup-cakes, biscuits or other yummy treats for the FieldFest café. Everyone loves a slice of something delicious and so we need a bumper selection to sell this year. All contributions to be dropped off at school on Friday 7th please.
- 3. Donate some of your time to help us run the event, this could range from a shift on the door, selling goods on one of our stalls, painting faces or doing temporary tattoos or generally helping out with running the event. Please get in touch with Jo on 07747 065 770 if you can support us on the day

And of course, if you don't already have your tickets don't forget that you can buy them from the School Office, Stokes or Jasmins NOW. They are selling fast so get yours now to make sure you don't miss out.

Ice Cream Fridays

Yes that's right, summer's here and Ice Cream Fridays are back from now until the end of term, so don't forget to bring a few spare pennies with you to enjoy a tasty end of week treat. Yum!

Open Afternoon – A reminder that on Friday 23rd
June, the classes of St. Peter's will be opening their
doors and inviting Parents/Carers to come into
class to look at books. Please come in via the main
school entrance, sign in and continue to your child's



CALENDAR DATES

<u>June</u>

class.

Wed 14th: Y3 visit to Butser Ancient Farm

Y4 Orca African Drumming concert, 2.30pm

Thur 15th: Y5 Charity Afternoon

Mon 19th: Henfield Cricket Tournament Tues 20th: Y6 Transition Day - St. Paul's

Thurs 22nd: YR walk to Henfield

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

Y2 visit to Pulborough Brooks

Sat 8th: PTA School Fete

Tue 11th: Y6 Leavers Party, 7.00 – 9.00pm

Mon 10th: Parent Report drop-in, 3.30 – 5.00pm

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
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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

Did you know Father's Day was invented by an American Mrs. Sonora Smart Dodd who wanted to honour her father, who had as a single parent, raised his six children. The first Father's Day was celebrated on 19th June 1910. Traditionally Fathers would be given the gift of white or red roses, which is the official flower for Father's Day. Wearing a red rose signifies a living father and a white one represents a deceased father. Nowadays, the giving of a tie is the most popular Father's Day present.