

NEWSLETTER

NO 4 / SUMMER TERM

15th June 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are already 2 weeks into our final term and time is certainly flying by. This means we still have 25 days of learning, which is a considerable amount of time especially when you look at everything that is upcoming. The children have been reminded that although this is a busy half term, we have plenty of time to 'make a difference' and I hope that we can all continue to work hard to help make this the best term yet. This can be proved by the amazing artwork that we saw at the 'Garden & Arts / Take One Picture' exhibition at the weekend. The children and staff did an amazing job of curating such a brilliant exhibition in just a few days, just think what they could achieve in 25 days! A big thank you to the children for their inspirational artwork and a huge thank you to the staff who stayed behind to curate and those that supported the school during the exhibition, It was a lovely day and we received nice feedback from lots of people. The singers were also a huge hit, especially the 'Who stole the chicken' song and the 'Tony Chestnut' number. Many thanks for being part of our day.

Next Monday you will be sent a link to a short questionnaire on homework that I would be very grateful if you could complete. This gives you the chance to have your say about homework just before we review it ready for next year. A link will be emailed to you, but you will also be able to click a link on the school homepage or scan the QR code below on a mobile phone (just use your camera if using an iPhone) to access this, from Monday. Please do take just a few minutes to tell us what you think.



I hope that the weather remains wonderful and that you have a very pleasant weekend.

Kind regards

N. Matthews Head of School Y3 visit Butser Ancient Farm - Last week, as part of their Stone Age to Iron Age topic, Y3 travelled to Butser Ancient Farm. The Farm is set in a beautiful tranquil location within the Southdown's National Park and the views are breath-taking. The visit was both educational and enjoyable for children and teachers alike. The day was filled with exciting hands on activities including the chance to be an archaeologist and make interesting discoveries. They also made their own clay pots with mud from the earth, just like they would have done in the Stone Age. This was followed by chalk carving and wattling. The staff at Butser were very friendly and knowledgeable and the tour of the Neolithic homes and the Iron Age round house certainly enhanced their knowledge of this period. The staff were also very impressed with how well behaved and enthusiastic the children were. An unforgettable experience. Our thanks to all the parent helpers from the Y3 team.





Our Writers w/e: 8th June '18

Y1: Luke Bishop / Emme-Rose Gettings

Y2: Ruby Montero-Burlton / Charles Walford

Y3: Elka Christie / Olivia Slaughter

Y4: Jude Hedderman / Hannah Draper

Y5: Darcey Bantock / Otis Baldwin

Y6: Edward Robinson / Maisy Tindle



Collection of Children – Please could we ask that Parents refrain, as much as possible from picking children up early from school. It causes disruption to your child's learning, the teacher's teaching, the rest of the class and the office. We appreciate that getting a medical appointment outside of school hours can sometimes be difficult but ask that consideration is taken to the disruption it can cause. Similarly, please remember that school finishes at 3.15pm, and unless your child attends an afterschool club, then they should be picked up promptly.

Maths Week – This year we are merging Maths Week with our transition week, 11th - 17th July. Children will be spending the mornings visiting their new classes and the afternoons in their current classes immersing themselves into Maths. We shall be encouraging them to think and talk about maths, outside of the normal maths lesson to make it more accessible and fun.

<u>Dress-Up Day</u> – As part of Maths Week, children are invited to come to school on Friday 13th July dressed as a number, a number problem or a shape. The costume could be a complete outfit or plain clothing with a number/shape on the front. The number or shape does need to be one that your child is familiar with and have knowledge of. We shall also be holding a KS1 and KS2 times table championship which will be held in the afternoon.

<u>Parents Visit</u> – Finally, to end Maths/Transition Week, on Tuesday 17th July from 2.30pm, Parents/Carers are invited to pop into class to see what the children have learnt and perhaps play some mathematical games.

Our Maths Investigators w/e: 8th June '18

- Y1: Olivia Clancy / Esme Martin
- Y2: Luke Streater / Romany Glover-Tullett
- Y3: Reuben Hayes / Blake Manfield
- Y4: Archie Makey / Ada Juretic
- Y5: Sid Allwood / Bobby Lancaster
- Y6: George Kenyon / Chiane Shinkawa

Careless Driving – We have been made aware of a serious incident outside school on Wednesday whereby a car narrowly missed injuring a child and their parent who were getting out of their own car. Thankfully the child and father were unharmed, albeit shaken up. Please can I strongly urge all Parents/Carers to take extreme care when bringing/collecting children to and from school. Congestion is at a premium at these times and for the safety of St. Peter's children, careful driving and awareness of other vehicles really must be taken to avoid any serious injuries.

Sports Reports

Y6 Rounders - Congratulations to the Y6 Rounders team, captained by Immy Cork who came 2nd in our school locality tournament on Thursday 7th June. It was a very close competition which saw some fabulous batting and quick response fielding from our team, including 2 superb catches from Felix M. Our bowlers, Immy and Lily didn't concede any half rounders and should both be extremely proud of their efforts.



Y4 Swimming

Well done to the Y4 Swimming team, who took part in the swimming gala at the Towers School yesterday. It was an extremely hot afternoon and a glorious day for a swim. Despite our lack of practice, all 8 swimmers were amazing and should be so proud of their achievement. We finished in 3rd place behind Steyning Primary and Upper Beeding, but with mere points between all 3 schools. A very closely fought competition!



Mrs Searles

Absence Email – Don't forget our dedicated email address for reporting absence. There is an automatic response set, for assurance that we have received the message <u>absence@stpetershenfield.org.uk</u>.

Cake Plates – There is a mountain of cake plates from the PTA Royal Wedding held at Easter. If you are missing a dish, please look in the Pentagon Suite.

Did you know ... peas and beans are a member of the legume family. Legume means a pod that splits into 2 valves with the seeds attached to one edge of the valves. It is estimated that there are 40,000 hectares of peas grown in the UK each year which is the equivalent of 80,000 football pitches. A 100-calorie serving of peas (three quarters of a cup) contains more protein than a whole egg or tablespoon of peanut butter. The world record for eating peas is held by a lady in Sussex who, in 1984, ate 7175 peas one by one in 60 minutes using chopsticks!

Our Maths Investigators w/e: 15th June '18

Y1: Theo Crowther / Herbie Vardy

Y2: Lilla O'Neill

Y3: Sophie Keulder / Angelo Twinkle

Y6: Oliver Barr Williams / David Taylor



RESILIENT, RESPECTFUL, RESOURCEFUL & AIMING HIGH

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

Week Ending: 15th June 2018	
YR	Madeleine Bonwick – Respectful
	Adrian Francis – Resilient
	Lucas Campbell – Resilient
	Holly Stacey – Aiming High
	Holly Bowden-Gray – Aiming High
	Harry Percy – Aiming High
Y1	Ieuan Lee-Griffiths – Aiming High
	Kiera O'Brien – Aiming High
Y2	Gracie-May Norburn – Aiming High
	Gracie Adsett – Aiming High
Y3	Joshua Pettitt – All 4 Core Values!
	Sebastian Bantock – Aiming High
Y4	Charlie Butler - Respectful
	Joseph Crowther – Aiming High
Y5	Abby Furber – Aiming High
Y6	Adam Butter – Resourceful
	Charlotte Avern - Resourceful

Our Writers w/e: 15th June '18

Y1: Oliver Harrington / Harmony-Sommer Verrall

Y2: Rupert Wilson

Y3: Alix Duke / Elsie Fenwick Y6: Ellie Boniface / Alex Carter



PTA Update - We can't quite believe that it's only a week until the summer disco. How exciting. Don't forget to look in bags for song choice and contact slips. We do unfortunately need to let you know about a small change of plan. We were a bit too hasty in our planning for the FriYay area and are afraid to say that unfortunately we actually won't be able to offer the chill out area and bar previously communicated. Sorry to disappoint but don't forget that it is only a few weeks until FieldFest 2018 where you will have lots of opportunity to have a drink and chill out whilst watching some fabulous music and spending time with your family and friends. Speaking of FieldFest 2018, don't forget that tickets are now on sale at Stokes, Jasmin's and the school office. They are going like hot cakes so grab yours now before we sell out!

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Finally, just a reminder to all Parents/Carers and visitors who come into school or help with year group trips out of school, that mobile phones must be switched off and not referred to or used during your time with the children. This is not only for safeguarding reasons, but also because we do have some children whose Parents have not given permission for photos to be taken of their child.

CALENDAR DATES - 2017/18

New entries and changes are hi-lighted in red

<u>June</u>

Fri 22nd: PTA School Disco

Mon 25th: Henfield Cricket Tournament

Y4,5,6 Sex & Relationship Meeting, 3.30 - 4.30pm

Y5 visiting SGS, Rock Road

Tue 26th: Y2 Music Festival

Wed 27th: Sports Day

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

July

Mon 2nd: Reserve Sports Day

Tues 3rd: Y2 trip to Pulborough Brooks

Y6 Service at Lancing College

Y6 Production, 7.00pm

Wed 4th: Y6 Transition Day for Steyning Grammar School

Fri 6th: School Reports coming home

After School Clubs - Summer Term finish

Y6 Production, 5.30pm

Sat 7th: PTA Field Fest

Mon 9th: Report Drop-In 3.30pm - 5.00pm

Tue 10th: New 2018/19 YR Parents Meeting, 6.30pm

Wed 11th: Maths week starts

Changing Classes morning

Thurs 12th: Changing Classes morning

Fri 13th: Changing Classes morning/Dress-Up Day

Mon 16th: Changing Classes morning

Y6 Leavers Service, St. Peter's Church, 2.00pm

Y6 Leavers Party

Tue 17th: Changing Classes morning

Parent 'Maths Pop-In', from 2.30pm

New 2018/19 Y1 Welcome Meeting 3.30 – 4.00pm

New 2018/19 Y2 Welcome Meeting 4.00 - 4.30pm

Wed 18^{th} : New 2018/19 Y3 Welcome Meeting 3.30-4.00 pm

New 2018/19 Y4 Welcome Meeting 4.00 - 4.30pm

Thur 19th: Y6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am

New 2018/19 Y5 Welcome Meeting 3.30 – 4.00pm

New 2018/19 Y6 Welcome Meeting 4.00 - 4.30pm

Fri 20th: Last day of term

2018/19

Sept

Mon 3rd: INSET Day (School closed)

Tues 4th: Autumn Term starts

Fri 14th: New YR start

w/b 17th: Y6 Bikeability