

Dear Parents/Carers,

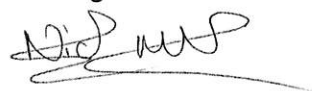
I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all those parents who have completed our parental questionnaire on homework; we had an outstanding 105 replies on the survey and this data will be used to help us to set the new homework policy, ready for next year. We will get back to you on this in due course.

I also wanted to thank all of the staff for their continued hard work in what is always the busiest weeks of the year. Our staff are continuing to go above and beyond to make sure that the last two weeks are full of fun, learning and great opportunities. Everyone from the office staff, teachers, teaching assistants, Bob, lunchtime supervisors and the cleaners are working together to make this term run smoothly and to make it an exciting term for the children. We are very lucky to have such fantastic staff and I wanted to share my appreciation of them with you all. Please do bear with us if we take a little longer to answer any enquiries at present.

A big thank you must also go to you all as Parents and Carers, whether you are on the PTA planning for FieldFest or getting your child ready for trips and completing homework, we really do appreciate your time and effort.

Finally, I look forward to seeing you at the amazing Field Fest on Saturday, I have seen the plans and it is going to be brilliant.

Kind regards



**N. Matthews**  
Head of School

**Complaints** - We have had two complaints from local residents this week about damage to parked cars. We please ask that all visitors and parents who visit the school, park considerately so that everyone is safe and property is not damaged.

**Y4 Orca African Drumming Concert** – Parents/Carers of children in Orca are invited to join us for an African Drumming Concert at 2.30pm on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July. This is an exciting opportunity for the children to share their learning of African drumming, under direction of our specialist teacher, Simon. Do join us if you can.

**Author Visits** - On Friday 15th June, Y3–5 were treated to an exciting visit from the author Abie Longstaff. Abie is the author of lots of great children's books for younger and older readers. She spoke about her new mystery series, 'The Trapdoor Mysteries' and gave lots of useful ideas for how to plan and write stories. Both staff and pupils were inspired by her ideas for writing and it is hoped that pupils will write their own stories to share with Abie. If there are any pupils who would like to write a trapdoor or mystery story to send to Abie, please send it to Mrs Flood-Murphy who will forward it to her. Our thanks go to Gudrun from Steyning Bookshop who helped to coordinate the visit.



On Monday 18th June, Years 3-5 took part in another author visit, this time from Steve Clifford. The children were able to ask Steve about the story writing process and he introduced the latest book in his time travel series 'Walking with...' In each adventure, the characters meet and engage with a different myth or legend of that period incorporating well known myths and legends.



## Our Writers w/e: 22<sup>nd</sup> June '18

Y1: Ross Taylor / Kiera Potter  
Y2: Ben Smith / Oliver Neville  
Y3: Tom Carter / Noah Gargano  
Y4: Thomas Allison / Otto Iida-Bowers  
Y5: William Wilson  
Y6: Dylan Wadhams / Fraisie Ellis



## Our Maths Investigators w/e: 22<sup>nd</sup> June '18

Y1: Alfie Mason / Brady Fisher  
Y2: Brooklyn Blake / Lilla O'Neill  
Y3: Jamie Lean / William Briscoe  
Y4: Brandon Baldey / Jack Norris  
Y5: Riley Langridge  
Y6: Michael Lucking / Edward Helps





**Y2 visit Pulborough Brooks** - Y2 had a wonderful time visiting Pulborough Brooks on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. We went pond dipping and discovered incredible creatures like blood worms and phantom midge larvae. We also went on a butterfly hunt, where we recorded all of the beautiful butterflies we could see.



**PTA Update** – With only 1 day to go until FieldFest 2018 (eeeeek), here are our last minute tips for how to get the best from your festival:

1. Turn up nice and early so you can grab a drink before the England Vs Sweden quarter final match kicks off. We open at 2-15pm
  2. Make sure you and your mini people are all sun-creamed up
  3. You'll need cash rather than cards for all vendors so best to make sure you have some nice and early as we have been informed that the local cash machines often run out later in the day on Saturday at the moment
  4. Don't forget your FieldFest 2018 rock to claim your freebie (if you have been lucky enough to find one)
  5. Check out [www.FieldFest.org](http://www.FieldFest.org) for other tips and all the information you'll need for an enjoyable day
- We are literally bursting with excitement in anticipation now for tomorrow so we'll see you all there. Enjoy!

**Staff News** – It is with a sad farewell that we say goodbye to Mr Frankel, one of the Class Teachers for Y5 Seals. We wish Mr Frankel all the best for his future endeavours. Yesterday we held interviews for Mr Frankel's replacement and I am delighted to inform you that Dr Lerner will be joining Mrs Tickel as a Class Teacher for Seals. We look forward to welcoming Dr Lerner to St. Peter's.

**Books..books...books!** - We are getting very excited here at St. Peter's as we have lots of lovely new sets of books arriving for guided reading in September! Titles include The Goldfish Boy, Kensuke's Kingdom, The Ugly Five, Little Red Riding Hood and many more! This is all thanks to the money raised at our Readathon! We wanted to say a big thank you to everyone who took part and sponsored us. We can't wait to share the new books with the children and will send some pictures when we do.

*The Reading Team*

**Y5 Fundraising sale for Snehalaya** - On Wednesday 18th July the Y5 children will be holding an event to raise money for the Indian charity Snehalaya. Snehalaya is predominantly a charity that rescues children and provides a loving and safe environment for them to grow up. The money that we raise will go directly to the centre in India and will be used to provide a summer treat for the children. Last year the money we raised enabled staging and chairs to be hired in order for the children to put on a show to celebrate their birthdays. It also bought ice creams. This year we are hoping to pay for the children to visit a local play park for the day. Y5 will be running stalls in the afternoon and all of the school will have the chance to take part in the games, buy ice creams etc. If you are able to send your child in with a small amount of money to spend on the day we would be very grateful- suggested amount £1. We will also be selling cakes at the end of the day. Many thanks

*The Y5 team*

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

Our 'Animals of the Week':

Week Ending: 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2018	
YR	Charlie McHoy – Resilient Isla Hurst-Croydon – Aiming High Oakley Adams - Resourceful
Y1	Alfie Mason – Aiming High Henry Francis - Resilient
Y2	Rory Newlyn – Aiming High & Respectful Rupert Wilson - Respectful
Y3	Megan Eastaff – All 4 core values! William Clark - Resilient
Y4	Scarlett Hitchcock – Resourceful Bradley Martin – Resourceful & Aiming High
Y5	Lili Allwood – Aiming High
Y6	Olivia Long – Resilient & Resourceful Lily Woodley – Aiming High

Week Ending: 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	
YR	Oscar Gaston – Aiming High Harriet Saxby – Resilient Leonel Fataj – Aiming High Charles Martin – Aiming High Freddie Norris – Aiming High Johnny Loveday - Resilient

**Did you know** ... when we are born, 75% of our body weight is made of water which then reduces to 60% as we get older and become adults. Water is constantly being lost from our bodies (going to the toilet, when we breathe and sweat) so if we don't drink enough then we can get dehydrated and be unwell. Water is found in all drinks and foods, including fruits, vegetables and even cheese. Our bodies decide how much water we need, so all we have to do is keep drinking and then our body will be able to do everything we ask of it in order to enjoy life.



## Sports Reports

**Y4 Athletics** - On Wednesday 20th June, Y4 attended an athletics event at Steyning Primary School. 16 children competed in a variety of field and track events from 50m to 200m, javelin, long jump and vertical jump. Despite a few nerves to start, every child thoroughly enjoyed themselves and did St Peter's proud. Particular mention goes out to Darcey Martin and Joseph Crowther for their amazing 200m races, Thomas Cannon for his tremendous javelin throw - by far the furthest throw of the competition and Hannah Draper for being resilient despite the nerves and for jumping a whopping 1.87m. It was a spectacular afternoon with some impressive running. Well-done to all the children that took part.



**Cricket Festival** - Last Monday St Peter's ran their annual cricket festival at Henfield Cricket Club with our locality schools. This year we were able to enter two teams as one school had to drop out which enabled lots of our budding cricketers the chance to shine. It was a beautiful sunny day and the children all played with great skill and determination. The A team won all of their matches convincingly, to finish as clear winners. The B team won their opening two games, lost to St Peter's A and then played a very close final match against Steyning to decide on second place. It came down to the last few balls with St Peter's holding their nerve to win the match and claim runners up position. This was particularly impressive as most of the team were Year 5. Huge congratulations to all of the children that took part and many thanks to the cricket club for lending us their wonderful facilities.

Mrs Tickel

## Our Writers w/e: 29th June '18

Y1: Emilia Herbert  
Y2: Alex Mackay / Rory Newlyn  
Y3: Harry Vernall / Tom Carter  
Y4: Jocelyn Ridgley-West / Evie Francis  
Y5: Owen Bayross / Amelia Vernall  
Y6: James Allison / George Williams

## Our Maths Investigators w/e: 29th June '18

Y1: Daniel Dennis  
Y2: Barnaby Gibbs / Leah Dewar  
Y3: Elsie Fenwick / Sidney Edge  
Y4: Jake West / Joseph Crowther  
Y5: Adele Edwards / Max Searles  
Y6: Otto Juretic / Fraisie Ellis



**vPlant Pot Request** - if any Parent/Carer has plastic plant pots that are no longer of use, we would be very grateful to have them. Please could they be no smaller than 10cm diameter. These will be used to help in the tidy-up of the Y1/Y2 outdoor area.

## CALENDAR DATES - 2017/18

New entries and changes are hi-lighted in red

### July

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  
**Orca African Drumming Concert, 2.30pm**  
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 18th: New 2018/19 Y3 Welcome Meeting 3.30 - 4.00pm  
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

### September

Mon 3rd: INSET Day (School closed)  
Tues 4th: Autumn Term starts  
Wed 5th: **New YR Teddy Bears Picnic, 3.30 - 4.30pm (details to follow)**  
Mon 10th: **New YR Induction Morning, 8.45am - 12.00pm**  
Tues 11th: **New YR Induction Morning, 8.45am - 12.00pm**  
Wed 12th: **New YR Induction Morning, 8.45am - 1.00pm**  
Thur 13th: **New YR Induction Morning, 8.45am - 1.00pm**  
Fri 14th: New YR start  
w/b 17th: Y6 Bikeability

### October

Fri 5th: **Harvest Service, 9.30am, St. Peter's Church**  
Thurs 11th: **Individual School Photos**  
w/b 22nd: **Half-Term - School closed**