



St. Peter's News

January 2018



Diary Dates



- 29th Jan - 'Friends' Meeting at School (7.30pm - 9.00pm)
- 30th Jan - New Age Curling Competition at Leasowe Recreation Centre
- 31st Jan - Liverpool Football Club Football Tournament
- 5th Feb - Class 3/4MW Swimming Sessions (each weekday until 16th Feb)
- 5th Feb - Whole School E-Safety Assemblies
- 5th Feb - Parent Workshop - E-Safety (3.00pm - 4.00pm)
- 6th Feb - Internet Safety Workshop at Goodison Park
- 6th Feb - Year 5 Parent Meeting - Secondary Admissions (6.00pm - 7.00pm)
- 7th Feb - Girls Football Tournament (4.00pm - 5.30pm)
- 8th Feb - Key Stage 1 Assessment and Barnstondale Meeting (6.00pm - 7.00pm)
- 9th Feb - 'Friends' School Disco (6.00pm - 8.00pm)
- 13th Feb - 'Friends' Sponsored Pancake Flip
- 13th Feb - Neston High School Music Concert (6.00pm - 8.00pm)
- 15th Feb - F2 Coffee Afternoon to meet Mrs Crighton (3.00pm - 3.30pm)
- 16th Feb - School Closes for Half-Term
- 26th Feb - School INSET Day
- 27th Feb - School Re-Opens

I would like to take this opportunity to say what a privilege and honour it is to be the new Headteacher of St. Peter's CE Primary School. Although my first few weeks have been a little interrupted, it was great to be back in school at the end of last week. I am really looking forward to building relationships with all the children and their families as the term progresses. I will be on the gate most mornings, so please come over and say hello! Please feel free to contact the school direct with any queries you may have. My door is always open.



Friends of St. Peter's Meeting



Please don't forget that the next Friends of St. Peter's meeting is taking place tonight, **Monday 29th January at 7.30pm**. This is an important meeting as discussions will be taking place about forthcoming 'Friends' events. The meeting is to be held at school and it would be great if lots of people attend.

Any parent of the school is more than welcome to join us - I hope to see lots of you there!

Cold Weather



As the days are really cold, may we politely request that children bring a warm coat to school particularly as the children spend a long time outdoors during the lunchtime break. Could all coats be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Many thanks for your co-operation!

Tesco's 'Bags of Help' Grant Tokens



Just another reminder to **PLEASE VOTE NOW** - it's free to vote with Tesco Bags of Help.

Please note that our school, is one of the three successful projects Tesco shoppers can now vote for in store. St. Peter's CE Primary School project aims to develop its reading curriculum within school. The voting is open until Wednesday 28th February 2018. The project with the highest number of votes across the region will receive £4000, the second placed project will receive £2000 and the third placed project £1000.

PLEASE ASK FOR THE BLUE TOKENS AT THE TILLS EVERY TIME YOU SHOP AND VOTE FOR ST. PETER'S - EVERY TOKEN WILL COUNT!!

Please see below a list of Tesco stores taking part in the 'Bags of Help' Grant Tokens:

- Cloughton Express
- Eastham Rake Express
- Heswall
- Little Sutton Express
- Neston Express
- Pensby Express
- Rossmore Road Little Sutton Express
- Sutton Arms Ellesmere Port Express

School Parking



Parking around school continues to be a cause for concern. May we please remind all parents, carers and grandparents to park safely and with care. Please avoid parking on the zig zag lines, the single and double yellow lines, on kerbs and on corners. Our careful parking will help to keep all our children safe.

Thank you for your co-operation!

Thank You!



A really big thank you to everyone who supported and donated Christmas presents to the Charles Thompson Mission in Birkenhead and the Seacombe Children's Centre. Your generosity and kindness was truly amazing and the Christmas presents donated were most gratefully received by the two very worthwhile charities. The people connected to the charities were extremely touched by the kindness of the families of St. Peter's CE Primary School.

Parent Meetings for Year 2 and Year 5



A meeting has been arranged for **Tuesday 6th February at 6.00pm** for our Year 5 parents to explain the arrangements for Secondary selection and the 11+ tests. This meeting has been scheduled at this point in the year to help answer the questions that are often asked at the Parent/Teacher meetings in March.

A meeting has been arranged for **Thursday 8th February at 6.00pm** for our Year 2 parents to explain the arrangements for the end of KS1 assessment (SATs) and to share information about the Year 2 residential to Barnstondale in June.

Friends of St. Peter's School Disco



The Friends of St. Peter's School Disco is taking place on **Friday 9th February from 6.30pm to 8.00pm**. There will be all the usual fun and this event is open to all children of the school.

The cost of entry is **£3.00** - please note that tickets will **NOT** be issued as it is a pay on the door event.

If you are able to help at the school disco, could you please contact Lynn Dundas on 07740835523.

School Dinners



As you already may be aware, we have a large number of families who are in considerable arrears with their child's school dinner accounts. Non-payment for school dinners affects the quality of service we are able to offer the children and it means the school has to meet this shortfall out of its own budget. In the current financial climate, school budgets are already stretched and having to fund children's dinners places an even greater financial burden on the school. If the school continually has to meet this shortfall, it will ultimately result in the school having less money available to purchase important resources for the children.

If you have any queries regarding arrears or if you have difficulty making payments, please contact the school office to discuss this further.

Staffing Update

We would like to welcome Mr John Quinn back to school after your absence - it's good to have you back! We would also like to welcome Mrs Jackie Pryer, our new cook - we look forward to eating lots of delicious meals off you. As many of you know, Mrs Bass is expecting her second baby in early February. During her maternity leave her class will be covered by Mrs Buckle until the end of the summer term. Due to Mrs Buckle moving to Year 1/2, F2 will be covered by Mrs Birmingham from Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Crighton (who has worked with our F2 before) will be in class on a Thursday and Friday.

Half-Term



Just to remind parents that school breaks up for half-term on **Friday 16th February** at 3.30pm. The children return to school on **Tuesday 27th February** as Monday 26th February is a staff INSET Day.

Thank you for your continued support!

Darren Jones