



P.P.S. NEWSLETTER

11th September 2017
Autumn Term No.1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another academic year. We welcome our new children into school and it has been terrific to see how all of the children have settled in to their new classes. All of the staff have worked incredibly hard over the summer holidays to plan and prepare the school for the challenging and inspiring activities ahead.

We have many priorities for the coming year, however our first one is to ensure all of the children settle in well to their new classes and start to show their full potential. Over the next couple of days you will receive the curriculum letter for each class and these will give you a taster of what the children will be exploring this term.

Over the summer holidays Shaun Guy and Richard Parr, two parents, have built own new outdoor classroom / shelter area. In addition to this we have a new traverse wall for the key stage two children as well. We have been fortunate enough to also have the Probation Service working in the school grounds on a Sunday.

On Friday (15th September 2017) at 8.45 am I would like to discuss our vision of what school reports will look like for the coming year. In response to the Parent Questionnaires to review our current reporting system, I want to change how we inform parents, it would be good to see if what we have planned is an improvement of our current system. If you are free and would like to discuss reports with me please join me for a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits.

John Galvin



We are very lucky to have been offered a **Goblin Kit car** for the pupils to build and race. This kit car will enable many of our children to become engineers of the future and will inspire a love of Science. However, **WE NEED YOU!** The kit car is currently at St Luke's Primary School in Brighton and we need someone who can collect it and bring it back to school.

If you are able to collect the car, or know someone who could, please come and let us know.

Thank you for your continued support.

Laura Sandon-Webb

Key Stage One Nativity

This year our Key Stage One children will be performing 'The **Magical Christmas Journey**' or at least their own unique twist.

The dates for the performances are **Tuesday 12th December 1.30-2.30pm** and **Wednesday 13th December 6-7pm**. Please put the date in **your diary**.



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Reminder Roald Dahl Day

As part of our literacy this term, on **Wednesday 13th September** we are asking all the children to dress up as their favourite Roald Dahl character, whether this is; the Enormous Crocodile, Mr or Mrs Twit, Charlie Bucket, Danny or an Oompa Loompa.



Chartwells Paid Lunches

Please could you update your child's class on the Chartwells website to avoid them missing out on their hot lunch when they go to Forest School etc.

Wanted Wellies For Oak Class

If you have any unwanted size 11, 12 or 13 wellies at home Oak Class would be extremely grateful for any donations. The children use them when they play in the sandpit or Mud Kitchen.

Many thanks.
Laura Fogden.

PPSA Annual General Meeting

We are very lucky in Petworth Primary School to have such an active Petworth Primary School Association committee; they have raised a considerable amount of money over the last academic year and without their support the cost of many visits would be considerably higher and "treats" such as the pantomime visit at Christmas, Easter eggs etc. would not happen. **On Monday 25th September we are holding the PPSA Annual General Meeting at 6.30-7.30pm in the school hall.** The committee are always looking for new ideas and offers of help so if you would like to be part of this committee or would like to know more about their fundraising activities please come along.

Wanted Shoe Boxes

If you have any unwanted shoe boxes at home that you no longer require, **Maple Class** will be extremely grateful for them.

Many thanks.
Ella Whitchurch



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Inset Days 2017/2018

20 October 2017

9 February 2018

4 June 2018

Dates for your Diary 2017/2018

Mon 11-15 Sept	Year 6 Bikeability
Tues 12 Sept	Gymnastics with Premier Education Year 1-2 13 weeks finishes 12 th Dec 3.15-4.15pm £49.95 (term time only). Please book directly online with Premier Education.
Wed 13 Sept	Introduction to PGL Year 6 Trip (current Year 5)
Thurs 14 Sept	Final Details Meeting at 3.30pm for PGL IOW Year 6
Thurs 14 Sept	Elm Class Forest School 5 weeks until 12th October
Fri 15 Sept	Discuss Reporting Coffee & Biscuits at 8.45am
Mon 25 Sept	PPSA AGM 6.30pm to 7.30pm
Tues 26 Sept	Beech Class Stone Age Workshop
Wed 27 Sept	MRC Transition Day (details to follow)
Fri 29 Sept	Boys Memorial Service 75 Years
Fri 29 Sept	Sama Karate Club starts 8am (details to follow)
Mon 2 Oct	Parents Evening (details to follow)
Wed 4 Oct	Parents Evening (details to follow)
Fri 6 Oct	Kids Club Xtra (details to follow)
Fri 6-Mon 9 Oct	Year 6 IOW PGL Residential
Thurs 12 Oct	Harvest Festival St Mary's Church 9.30am-10.30am
Fri 13 Oct	PPSA Disco (details to follow)
Thurs 19 Oct	Willow Class Forest School 5 weeks until 23rd November
Fri 20 Oct	INSET DAY
Mon 23-27 Oct	HALF TERM
Mon 30 Oct	Back to School
Fri 3 Nov	School Photos
Wed 8 Nov	Maple and Elm Class British Museum
Fri 10 Nov	Kids Club Xtra (details to follow)
Tues 12 Dec	KS1 The Magical Christmas Journey 1.30-2.30pm
Wed 13 Dec	KS1 The Magical Christmas Journey 6-7pm
Wed 20 Dec	END OF AUTUMN TERM
Thurs 21-3 Jan	School Holidays
Tues 9 Jan	Gymnastics with Premier Education Year 3-6 13 weeks finishes 27 th March 3.15-4.15pm £41.95 (term time only)
Thurs 4 Jan	START OF SPRING TERM