

# Petworth C of E Primary School

## Autumn Newsletter No.5



7 October 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

### Fairer Funding for West Sussex Schools

In support of the fairer funding for West Sussex Schools campaign, please support a UK Government and Parliament petition. The petition can be found at the following link; <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/167761>

### Would you like to join our Governors and help develop our school?

Being a governor plays a crucial role in the strategic planning of any school and we are now looking for someone to join our team. On **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October** at **14.30** Lisa Whitby will be in school ready to discuss what being a governor entails, the time commitment and any other governor related questions to prospective parents who wish to take on the role of governor.

For a glimpse of what governors do and have done at Petworth CofE Primary School please look at the Governing Body webpage on the schools website (<http://www.petworth.w-sussex.sch.uk/website/governing-body/19226>).

### Children's Work

Harvest Prayers by Rowan Explorers

Dear God,

Thank you for our food and farmers.

Please help us give and donate some food to poor people.

Thank you for our rain and sun to help our crops grow.

Thank you for harvest time.

Thank you for our fields.

Amen. By Evie

Dear God,

Thank you for giving food to eat.

Thank you for good sharing and kindness.

Please help us get food to poor people.

Amen. By Tavi

Poetry by Rowan Investigators

My Magic Box by Taylor

I will put into my box  
A balloon,  
A storm trooper,  
A first friend  
And a bonfire.

I will put into my box  
A space chip and popcorn van,  
A volcano  
And a gold crown.

I will put into my box  
A gold key,  
A sandwich  
And a ruby.

My box is fashioned from gold and popcorn,  
A knight's sword  
And a spaceship.

My Magic Box by Caitlin

I will put into my box  
A princess's tiara as shiny as rubies,  
A Chinese dragon  
And shiny gold.

I will put into my box  
The touch eating cold, sweet ice cream,  
Rubies as shiny and hot as fire  
The shiny sun.

I will put into my box  
A spiky pink unicorn that you cannot see,  
And a wizard as scary as tarantulas biting.

My box is fashioned from shiny stars  
With secrets on the corners  
And edges as cold as snow and shiny as the sun.

## My Magic Box by Leo

I will put into my box  
Sweet pop,  
A toy knight,  
A freezing ice cream  
And a piping hot volcano.

I will put into my box  
A smelly wizard,  
A dark galaxy,  
An amazing gold crown,  
A deep hole  
And a ginormous popcorn.

I will put into my box  
A pretty princess,  
Tiny cherries  
A colourful flower  
And a gold ruby.

My box is fashioned from wood  
Steel, gold and metal.

## Ash Class

Harvest festival

Apples are red.

Ripe corn.

Vegetables.

Everybody eats.

Super, sweet corn.

Thank you for our food God.



By Lilly-Mai, Henry, George H and Calum.

Harvest festival.

Apples are red.

Ripe and juicy.

Vegetables are yummy.

Everyone eats.

Sweetcorn.

Thank you to God for food.



By Ellie-May, Lillie-Mai, George L, Elise, Luke and Daisy.

### Twitter @Petworthschool



Some of you are aware we have a Twitter account and we use this account to promote children's work, events, links to useful websites and anything else we feel would improve communications between home and school. This is a secure site, which means that only people who have been accepted by me are allowed to view our 'tweets'. We would like as many parents, grandparents and carers to have access to this information. However some people use a different username, which we do not recognise. If you would like to follow @Petworthschool please email the office with your username and then we will accept you as a follower.

### Pupil Premium

On the news today it highlighted that parents and carers are not accessing this very useful resource and therefore we are not able to access this money to aid the development of our children. Although all children in Early Years and Key Stage One have a free school meal this funding is **very different** from Pupil Premium.

The Government gives money to schools to help children from lower income families and includes children adopted from care, children with Residency Orders and children under Special Guardianship Order. This funding is called, 'Pupil Premium' and **should not be confused** with Universal Infant Free School Meals, which is the provision of hot meals for children in Early Years and Key Stage One.

If you believe you are able to apply for Pupil Premium I urge you to do so or come and have a chat with me. Registering is really quick and easy - if you think you qualify, you can register online (<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/free-school-meals-online-application/>).

This money is there to be used but we need your help to access it. If schools do not use this money it will be returned to the Government and distributed to another pot, which will probably not be education. With funding so tight and West Sussex being one of the lowest funded areas per pupil, we need to ensure that we use every available funding at our disposal.

### **Splash Time**



On Tuesday SPLASH led our collective worship and do not be surprised if your child has been mentioning 'Super Fruit' and behaving like one. They used fruit as a way of exploring the values that people should have e.g. joy, kindness, self-control and gentleness. The

children responded superbly to our two visitors, especially when Lois (who some of the children know from Summer Club) dressed up as a banana to really emphasise the point.

### **Midday Meals Supervisors Vacancy**

We are looking to employ two midday meal supervisors from September to work from 11.45 am to 1.15 pm Monday to Friday however we are happy to consider fewer days as part of a job share. Please see the advert attached to this e-mail for further details. If you are interested in applying for one of these posts, please come and have a chat with me.

### **Inset Days 2016/2017**

21 October	2016
03 January	2017
17 February	2017
26 May	2017
05 June	2017

### **Dates for your Diary 2016/2017**

Fri 7 Oct	Year 5/6 Football at MRC
Mon 10 Oct	Willow Visit to the Forest School Site 1pm (Amazon Topic)
Mon 10-14 Oct	Year 6 Bikeability Week

Tues 11 Oct	Harvest Festival St Mary's Church at 9.30am
Wed 12 Oct	Last Forest School Session for Elm Class
Thurs 13 Oct	PPSA Disco KS1 5.30-6.30pm KS2 6.45-7.45pm
Fri 14 Oct	Oak visit to Petworth Fire Station 9.30am
Mon 17 Oct	Fire Service visiting Rowan Explorers and Investigators
Mon 17 Oct	Parents Evening 4.30pm-7.30pm
Wed 19 Oct	Willow Class Forest School Session weekly until 30 Nov
Thurs 20 Oct	Parents Evening 3.30pm-5.30pm
<b>Fri 21 Oct</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
<b>Mon 24-28 Oct</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>Mon 31 Oct</b>	<b>BACK TO SCHOOL</b>
Tues 1 Nov	PPSA Meeting 6.30pm
Fri 4 Nov	School Photos
Mon 7 Nov	Willow Class visit to Globe Theatre London
Wed 9 Nov	Midhurst & Petworth Rotary Music Festival at MRC
Fri 18 Nov	Children in Need come to school dressed in spots for a £1 donation
Fri 18 Nov	Kid Club Xtra 3.15-4.15pm (family tea from 4.15-5.15pm)
Sat 19 Nov	Petworth Fair
Fri 25 Nov	Maths Calculation and Reasoning Strategies 9.00-10.00am
Fri 2 Dec	PPS Christmas Fair 6-8pm
Wed 7 Dec	Key Stage One Navity 1.30pm
Thurs 8 Dec	Key Stage One Navity 6pm
Mon 12 Dec	Year 1 only Petworth House Christmas Party
Thurs 15 Dec	Christmas Service at St Mary's Church at 9.30am
<b>Fri 16 Dec</b>	<b>END OF AUTUMN TERM</b>
<b>Tues 3 Jan</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
<b>Wed 4 Jan</b>	<b>BACK TO SCHOOL START OF SPRING TERM</b>
<b>Fri 17 Feb</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
<b>Mon 20-24 Feb</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>Fri 7 Apr</b>	<b>END OF SPRING TERM</b>
<b>Mon 24 Apr</b>	<b>BACK TO SCHOOL START OF SUMMER TERM</b>
<b>Mon 1 May</b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
<b>Fri 26 May</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
<b>Mon 29-2 June</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>Mon 5 June</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
<b>Tues 25 July</b>	<b>END OF SUMMER TERM</b>

Yours sincerely



John Galvin  
Headteacher

# Midday Meals Supervisor Vacancies

## Part Time Term Time only

Grade W02 SP10 £7.43 per hour.

**Required to start as soon as possible**

We currently have two vacancies for Midday Meals Supervisors to start as soon as possible. The posts are for 7.5 hours a week, term time only. The hours will be 11.45am - 1.15pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. However we are happy to consider fewer days as a part of job share.

Your role will include setting up the hall and supervising lunchtime with the children, supporting play activities, providing pastoral support for the children and generally ensuring they are safe and happy.

This is an opportunity to join our friendly and supportive staff and make a real difference to the children in our school.

Please do not hesitate to contact Karen Carter for further information or to arrange a visit and an informal chat with Mr Galvin (Headteacher) on 01798 342369 or by email at [office@petworth.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:office@petworth.w-sussex.sch.uk)