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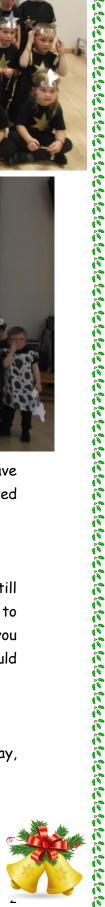
PPSA Christmas Fair

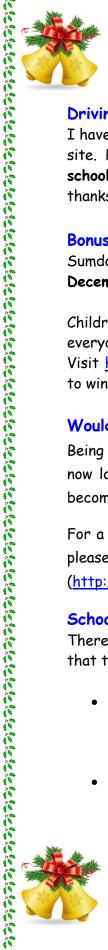
It was lovely to see so many parents and friends at the Christmas Fair; money is still coming in so we will let you know the final total as soon as possible. I would like to thank the PPSA Committee for all their hard work in organising the Fair and, as you know, without their fundraising many of the "extras" the children benefit from would not be possible.

Football Match against Fittleworth

Year 6 played really well and had an enjoyable match against Fittleworth on Monday, the match was very close and the end result was 5-4 to Fittleworth.









Driving into School

I have received several complaints that parents are driving at speed into the school site. Please can I remind you that only Blue Badge holders are allowed to drive into school and park on site. The children's safety is our priority at all times. Many thanks.

Bonus Sumdog Competition for the Christmas Season

Sumdog are running a special holiday maths contest to celebrate the season, starting December 9th.

Children can play at school or at home at any point during the week of the contest, and everyone that takes part will receive festive items for their Sumdog House. Visit https://www.sumdog.com/enter_contest to enter and give your class the chance to win!

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

Being a governor plays a crucial rule in the strategic planning of any school and we are now looking for two parents to join our team. If you would like to know more about becoming a governor, please come in and have a chat with me.

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

School Uniform Reminder

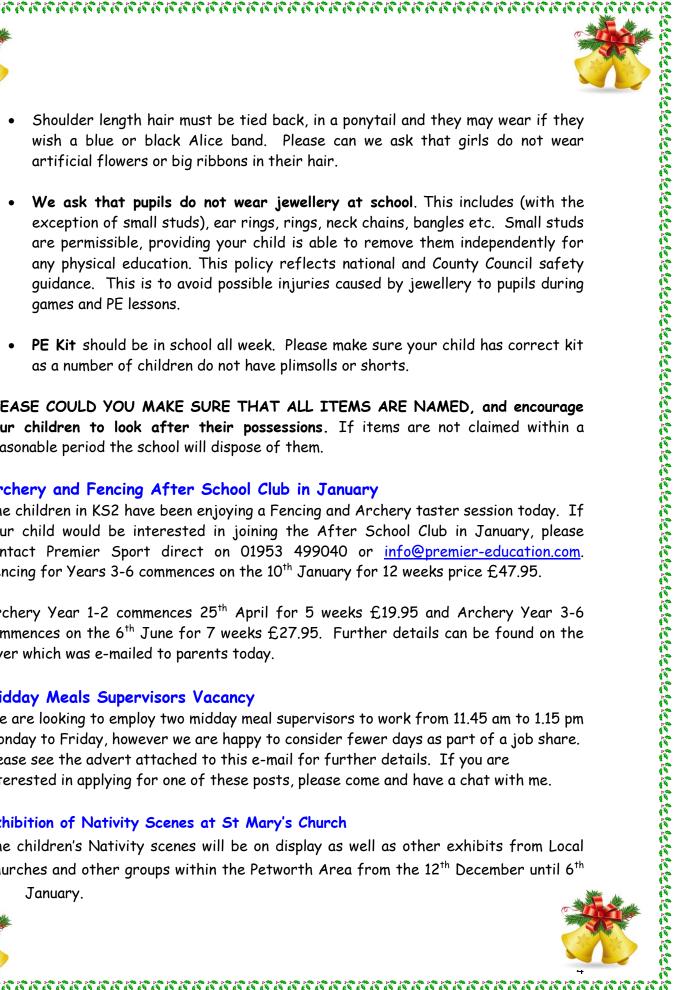
There are just a few things that I feel we need to clarify regarding school uniform so that the children look smart at all times when they come to school.

- Some children are wearing odd socks in different colours which are not acceptable. Girls should wear white socks (or grey tights in the winter) and boys should wear grey socks.
- Sensible school shoes should be worn, not plimsolls or trainers. Plimsolls and trainers may be worn for PE but not worn all day.









- Shoulder length hair must be tied back, in a ponytail and they may wear if they wish a blue or black Alice band. Please can we ask that girls do not wear artificial flowers or big ribbons in their hair.
- We ask that pupils do not wear jewellery at school. This includes (with the exception of small studs), ear rings, rings, neck chains, bangles etc. Small studs are permissible, providing your child is able to remove them independently for any physical education. This policy reflects national and County Council safety guidance. This is to avoid possible injuries caused by jewellery to pupils during games and PE lessons.
- PE Kit should be in school all week. Please make sure your child has correct kit as a number of children do not have plimsolls or shorts.

PLEASE COULD YOU MAKE SURE THAT ALL ITEMS ARE NAMED, and encourage your children to look after their possessions. If items are not claimed within a reasonable period the school will dispose of them.

Archery and Fencing After School Club in January

The children in KS2 have been enjoying a Fencing and Archery taster session today. If your child would be interested in joining the After School Club in January, please contact Premier Sport direct on 01953 499040 or info@premier-education.com. Fencing for Years 3-6 commences on the 10th January for 12 weeks price £47.95.

Archery Year 1-2 commences 25th April for 5 weeks £19.95 and Archery Year 3-6 commences on the 6th June for 7 weeks £27.95. Further details can be found on the flyer which was e-mailed to parents today.

Midday Meals Supervisors Vacancy

We are looking to employ two midday meal supervisors 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.

Exhibition of Nativity Scenes at St Mary's Church

The children's Nativity scenes will be on display as well as other exhibits from Local Churches and other groups within the Petworth Area from the 12th December until 6th January.





Inset Days 2016/2017

O3 January 2017
 17 February 2017
 26 May 2017
 O5 June 2017

Dates for your Diary 2016/2017

Fri 9 Dec EYFS/KS1 Peter Pan Panto in school 1.30pm Mon 12 Dec Year 1 only Petworth House Christmas Party

Tues 13 Dec KS2 Panto Horsham 1.30pm Wed 14 Dec Chartwells Christmas Lunch

Thurs 15 Dec Christmas Service at St Mary's Church at 9.30am

Fri 16 Dec School Christmas Party and Lunch separate letter to follow.

Fri 16 Dec END OF AUTUMN TERM

Tues 3 Jan INSET DAY

Wed 4 Jan BACK TO SCHOOL START OF SPRING TERM

Mon 9 Jan Y4 Swimming at Billingshurst 1pm weekly until 27th March

Tues 10 Jan Children's Work from 3.20pm to 4.20pm Fri 13 Jan Parents' Coffee and Open Morning 8.45am

Thurs 16 Feb PPSA Film Night
Fri 17 Feb INSET DAY
Mon 20-24 Feb HALF TERM

Fri 31 Mar PPSA Spring Ball (disco)
Fri 7 Apr END OF SPRING TERM

Mon 24 Apr BACK TO SCHOOL START OF SUMMER TERM

Mon 1 May BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED

Fri 26 May INSET DAY
Mon 29-2 June HALF TERM
Mon 5 June INSET DAY

Wed 28 June MRC Transition Day

Tues 25 July END OF SUMMER TERM

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.wsussex.sch.uk

