

Petworth C of E Primary School

Autumn Newsletter No.2



15 September 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

School Sport Recognition



We are extremely pleased to announce that we have achieved the Silver Mark for the PE and Sport we provide our children. This reward focuses on the sporting opportunities we offer our Key Stage Two children and we are determined to build upon what we started during the Spring Term and offer *ALL* of the children in our school a mixture of inter and intra sport across the year.

Childrens Work

I can understand the Harvest Festival by Samuel Willow Class

One sunny day a man who was a farmer was gathering food for the Harvest Festival. He worked all alone with no help, he was not happy. He watched people, with help, working together. The farmer just sat down upset until all the people of the town came to help. Together they gathered food and when they were done they had a big celebration.

Walk to School Project (WOW)

On Wednesday, 14th September Strider came to visit Petworth Primary School to introduce our fantastic Walk to School project (WOW). At the end of the school day he was very excited to meet the children and parents, and give out Walk to School badges.

The children will have the opportunity to earn eleven badges across the year by walking, scooting, or biking to school. They can also use park and stride, parking at least five minutes away from the school and walking in. Each class will be logging their journey daily and if they do any of the above eight times a month, they can earn their badge.

At home you can help by encouraging your child to walk to school, or by parking a little further away and walking the last 5-10 minutes. You can also discuss the

benefits of walking to school, such as; healthier bodies and minds, reducing pollution and congestion at the schools gates and making the road to school a safer place to be. The teachers are even getting involved, with many pledging to park and stride at least four times a month.

We are very excited about this project and look forward to seeing larger numbers of our children walking to school across the academic year.



Reading in School

As you may be aware we are trying to raise the profile of reading across the school and we have set ourselves an aspirational target that every child will get the chance to read with an adult at least once a week in school. We will complete this with the children working with teacher, teaching assistants and volunteers.

In Key Stage One the classes are continuing with the Reading Rockets and the children can move up to the next level every time they read at home and their Reading Record is completed.

We have slightly adapted the Reading Lightyears Challenge and this will now reflect how many times the children read at home. Therefore if a child reads five times a week for six weeks they will receive a gold award. The reading the children complete in school does not count towards this challenge.

Emergency Contact Telephone Numbers

Please could you inform the office immediately if you change your mobile or landline phone number in case we have to get in contact with you in an emergency. The annual Data Collection sheet will be sent out shortly.

Medical Appointments Before School

If your child has a medical appointment before school, please could you notify the office by phone or via e-mail before 9am on the day of the appointment to avoid your child being marked as unauthorised absence in the register.

Notes to the Class Teachers

If your child is being collected by an adult not known to their Class Teacher or your child has an appointment, please could you send a note in on the day with your child so they can hand it to their Class Teacher. Many thanks.

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 16 Sept	Stars of the Week Assemblies Resume
Mon 19 Sept	Phonics Workshop 9am
Tues 21 Sept	Year 6 MRC Experience Day 9.30am to 2.00pm
Mon 26 Sept	PPSA Annual General Meeting at 6.30-7.30pm
Thurs 29 Sept	Bombing Boys School Memorial Service London Road Cemetery at 11am
Mon 10-14 Oct	Year 6 Bikeability Week
Tues 11 Oct	Harvest Festival St Mary's Church
Mon 17 Oct	Parents Evening
Thurs 20 Oct	Parents Evening
Fri 21 Oct	INSET DAY
Mon 24-28 Oct	HALF TERM
Mon 31 Oct	BACK TO SCHOOL
Wed 9 Nov	Midhurst & Petworth Rotary Music Festival at MRC

Sat	19 Nov	Petworth Fair
Wed	8 Dec	Key Stage One Navity 1.30pm
Thurs	9 Dec	Key Stage One Navity 1.30pm
Thurs	15 Dec	Christmas Service at St Mary's Church
Fri	16 Dec	END OF AUTUMN TERM
Tues	3 Jan	INSET DAY
Wed	4 Jan	BACK TO SCHOOL START OF SPRING 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.w-sussex.sch.uk

Closing date: 03rd October 2016
Interviews: 06th October 2016