## Petworth C of E Primary School Summer Newsletter No.4



19<sup>th</sup> May 2017

#### Dear Parents/Carers

This week it has been the turn of our year two children to complete their National Curriculum Tests (often referred to as SATs) in reading and maths. Although the children know they are sitting a test we do it in a very low key way as it is imperative they do not worry about these activities.

Also this week we have seen the children, throughout the school, erupt volcanoes, write poetry, explore space, engage with Shakespeare, investigate irreversible and reversible changes and two groups of children got soaked whilst they visited the woods during their Forest School experience! These are just a few things the children have been engaged in and next week equally busy and exciting as the children participate in a number of design and technology activities.

#### Computer Programming



Computer Programming, alongside e-safety, is an integral part of our computing curriculum. We predominately use two free programmes (Kodu and Scratch) to engage the children so they learn about algorithms, checking for errors in their programming and bringing characters to life

on the screen. In addition computer programming teaches the children resilience, encourages creativity and improves children's problem solving skills.

Kodu can be downloaded at <a href="https://www.kodugamelab.com/">https://www.kodugamelab.com/</a> and Scratch can be downloaded at <a href="https://scratch.mit.edu/">https://scratch.mit.edu/</a>. We always tell the children to check with their parents or guardians as they should be the ones downloading anything on to a computer.

#### Collective Worship

During this half term the children have been learning about the importance of perseverance and how this can benefit everyone when they face difficulties. Our collective worships have explored a range of stories, which include the Bible Matthew 5 'Jesus is Tested in the Wilderness' and Romans 5 3-4 'Peace and Hope'.

We have explored how athletes preserver against hardship and we used the inspiring story of Derek Redmond when he was participating the 400 meters during the 1992 Barcelona Olympics.

It is imperative that the children fully engage in the different messages we share with them. You may have seen the image of Dory swimming with the message; 'She just kept swimming.' We encourage the children to use this image to tell us what perseverance means to them.

Here are some of the comments from some children in Rowan Explorers -

'If at first you don't succeed, try, try again.' - Liam

'Just stick to the thing you want to do and never give up.' - Evie and Marley

'We think it means don't give up and try your best. Always put your mind in to it.' - Daniel and Toby.

#### Come and See the Children's Books

As part of our commitment to show you the children's progress throughout the year, on Tuesday 23rd May from 3.20 pm to 4.20 pm we would like to invite you in to see your children's work. No appointment is necessary, just pop in after school.

#### Reminder - Driving and Parking On site

Unfortunately there are still a few of you that are still driving/parking on site. Please can I once again remind you that that Blue Badge holders only are allowed to drive onto the site and park. Please do not turn around in the



entrance to the site this applies to parents/relatives/friends/childminders etc who are dropping children off for the early morning maths and literacy sessions and collecting from After School Clubs. Please can you park outside and walk your child onto and off the school site. The children's safety is paramount and we want to do all we can to avoid any accidents occurring.

Please can I also take this opportunity to remind you to park considerately outside of the school site, not blocking residents' entrances, not parking dangerously on pavements or on the green in South Grove. Many thanks.

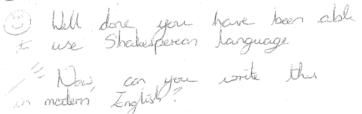
# Children's Work Willow Class

An everyday occurrence written in Shakespeare language.

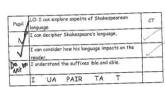
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Monday 15th May

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Monday 15th May 2017



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#### Wanted for Next Week

If you are able to donate any of the following items from the list below for our design technology next week we would be extremely grateful:-

Cardboard boxes

Hazel sticks

Old CD's (lots of)

Old clothes

Newspapers

Plastic plates

**Pallets** 

Plastic bowls

Wire hangers

Chicken wire

Tin foil

Hay

#### Sun Hats, Sun Cream & Water Bottles

With the warmer weather hopefully arriving please could we ask that if you would like your child to have sun cream applied, that you apply it in the morning before school and then your child can top this up for lunchtime play themselves. For younger children, adults will be on hand to assist with the application of sun cream. We also advise that children wear sun hats. Please could tubes/bottles of sun cream and sun hats be named. Children must bring their water bottles to school every day as it is important they keep hydrated during the day. Bottles are on sale from the school office for £1.70 each or 60p for a new lid.

#### KS2 Archery



Premier Sport still have spaces available in the KS2 Archery starting on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June for 7 weeks price £27.95.



### HALF TERM JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

## PETWORTH



Petworth Lawn Tennis Club launches its new series of Junior Tennis Camps this Half Term. An exciting way for your kids to have fun, make friends and learn to play an increasingly popular game. LTA Level 3 coach Oliver Ormsby knows how to get the best out of his juniors.

31 May, 1 and 2 June Wednesday Thursday Friday

Mornings 4-7 year olds (£12 per session)

Afternoons 8-14 year olds (£25 per session)

Contact Oliver on 07714 293 328 or <u>oliver@beactiveplaytennis.co.uk</u>. And there's table tennis in the Clubhouse at Sheepdown Drive GU28 0BW!

Midday Meals Supervisors Vacancy

Part Time Term Time only

Grade W02 £7.66 to £7.97 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.

If you are interested in applying for one of these posts, please come and have a chat with me.

## Inset Days 2016/2017

26 May 2017 05 June 2017

## Dates for your Diary 2016/2017

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Wed 26 Apr	Beech Class (Group 2) Forest School Session weekly until 24 <sup>th</sup> May
Thurs 18 May	Oak and Ash Class (Group 2) Forest School Session weekly until 8 <sup>th</sup> June
Tues 23 May	Year 1 and 2 Planetarium Trip
Tues 23 May	Come Into See Your Child's Work from 3.20pm to 4.20pm
Thurs 25 May	Christ Church CofE School Streatham visiting Year 5
Fri 26 May	INSET DAY
Mon 29-2 June	HALF TERM
Mon 5 June	INSET DAY
Tues 6 June	Archery Years 3-6 with Premier Sports 7 weeks £27.95
Wed 7 June	Rowan Investigators Forest School Session until 21st June
Thurs 8 June	SRE Year 5 Parents 4.30pm
Thurs 8 June	SRE Year 6 Parents 5.30pm
Thurs 15 June	Oak and Ash Class (Group 3) Forest School Session weekly until
	29 <sup>th</sup> June
Fri 16 June	Cricket Year 5/6 at MRC 1.30pm-4pm (TBC)
Mon 19 June	New Reception Children visit to school 1.15pm-3pm
Tues 20 June	New Reception Parents Evening 6.30pm
Fri 23 June	Year 6 Leavers Service Chichester Cathedral 10.15am
Sat 24 June	PPSA Summer Fair
Wed 28 June	MRC Transition Day
Wed 28 June	Rowan Explorers Forest School Session until 12 <sup>th</sup> July
Thurs 29 June	Sports Day time (TBA)
Mon 10 Jul	New Reception Children visit to school 1.15pm-3pm
Tues 11 Jul	Elm & Willow Class performance of Shakespeare Rocks 1pm (details to follow)
Wed 12 Jul	Elm & Willow Class performance of Shakespeare Rocks 6pm (details to
	follow)
Thurs 13 Jul	Elm & Willow Class performance of Shakespeare Rocks 6pm (details to Follow)
Thurs 13 Jul	New Reception Children Home Visits
Fri 14 Jul	New Reception Children Home Visits
Fri 14 Jul	Leavers Service at St Mary's Church 9.30am
Tues 25 July	END OF SUMMER TERM
Mon 4 Sept	START OF AUTUMN TERM
Mon 11-15 Sept	Year 6 Bikeability
Fri 6-Mon 9 Oct	Year 6 IOW PGL Residential

Yours sincerely

John Galvin

Headteacher