

Petworth C of E Primary School

Spring Newsletter No.8



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Dear Parents/Carers

A Big Thank You From Nagyberég School



The children of Nagyberég would like to say a big thank you for their lovely presents you sent to them. As you can see, the children are really enjoying the gifts you so generously sent to them.

Forest School Help Required

As you may be aware each class participates in a number of sessions each year where they learn forest skills, which make them aware of the environment we live in, respecting the woodland and building important social skills. **We are looking for volunteers to join us on Wednesday afternoons, 12:30pm to 3pm, to help our children further engage in these sessions. If you are willing to help, be it for one week or several, please let the office know. Once again thank you for your support.**

Midday Meals Supervisors Vacancy

We are looking to employ two midday meal supervisors to work from 11.45am to 1.15pm 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.

Would you like to volunteer in school?

Volunteering can be very rewarding and we welcome anyone who would like to help in school. We are always looking for ways to engage parents, grandparents and people of the community who have some free time. There are many different ways you could volunteer in school from reading on a one to one basis with the children, assisting in the classroom and helping us deliver our Forest School programme.

In addition to this, if you have a particular skill which the children would benefit from e.g. art, cooking and gardening; we would welcome a discussion about how we could fit this into our school timetable.

Every volunteer must complete a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) application, which takes less than 15 minutes to complete. The documentation we require can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/disclosure-barring-service-check/documents-the-applicant-must-provide->.

If you are thinking of volunteering in school please pop in to see me or one of the class teachers.

Thank you.

Wanted! Do you have?

As we are trying to improve the education environment around the school, and before I go out to buy resources, I wondered if anybody has any of the following they do not want anymore and would be willing to donate to the school:

- Water butts
- Paving slabs
- Bricks
- Guttering

The above items will be for the base of a recycled shed, which we will use for a potting shed in our new allotment area. Water butts to collect water from the various sheds we have around the school to further develop the children's understanding of water.

If you are able to help us move the shed, lay a few paving slabs, build a bug hotel or attach guttering to our sheds we would really appreciate some help.

Children's Work
Rowan Explorers

My Creation Story

First the world was completely absolutely empty. But God decided to make the world very, very colourful. On the first day God created the amazing day and night. On the second day God made the dazzling sky and beautiful great, big, blue sea. On the third day God created the colourful wild flowers. On the fourth day God made the twinkling sun and the dazzling bright moon. On the fifth day God created the very noisy birds and the very silent pretty Fish in the dark blue wavy ocean. On the sixth day God created the first birds and the outstanding Adam and Eve. On the seventh day God rested from all that hard work he had done. He didn't move a loone! God felt very proud of him self for all that hard work. Could you do that in just 7 whole days? I definitely couldn't!

By Evie

Oak Class



By Freya



By Tyler

Daffodil Assembly



The Best Decorated Pots were awarded to:- Alex Wiggs (Oak), Sophie Robinson (Ash), Daniel Chessman (Rowan Explorers), Lexie Jones (Rowan Investigators), Molly Pafford (Beech), Lily Torode (Maple), Connor Whitby (Elm) Keegan Pafford (Willow).

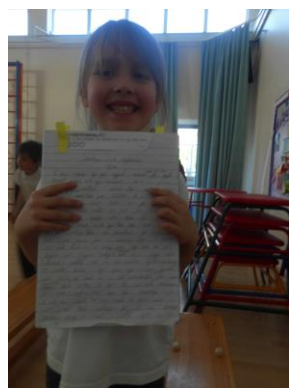


The Tallest Daffodils were awarded to:- Sebastian Durrant (Oak), Keyara Jayasinghe (Ash), Amily Budd (Rowan Explorers), Jamie Hedger (Rowan Investigators), Oliver Durrant (Beech), Chloe Jayasinghe (Maple), Jamie Chessman (Elm) Oliver Budd (Willow). The best bloom in Early Years/KS1 was awarded to Tavi Udrea (Rowan Explorers) and KS2 Tierney Mitchell (Elm). It was a really lovely display and well done to everyone who participated. A big thank you to the PPSA for donating the daffodil bulbs and the prizes.



Rowan Explorers Sharing Assembly

On Thursday the children of Rowan Explorers showed their parents and family what they have been learning this term. They have been studying The Great Fire of London and they built their own houses which the children watched burn at a safe distance whilst Miss Rawlings and Mr Rowley set fire to them.



Scholastic Book Fair

We will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair after school from the 13th - 16th March. There will be a superb range of books for all ages and interests and we would love to see you all there. Your child will be able to spend their £1 World Book Day voucher which was given out last week. Books prices start from as little as £2 and many come in special multi packs. The school will receive commission for each book sold, which we can use to buy more books for our children. **The book fair will be held in the entrance hall from 3.15pm - 3.45pm on the 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th March. If we have run out of any book we will be able to order more, which will be delivered on Friday 17th March.**



EXTREME READING!

Our latest reading challenge involves taking reading to another level!

Where is the most extreme place your child has ever read a book? Whether it is up a tree, on top of a mountain or stood on their head, we want your photos! Your challenge is to take a picture of your child reading somewhere extreme and send it in to school for our new reading display.

Obviously, we encourage you to keep safe (we wouldn't recommend reading in the jaws of a crocodile!) but we are really looking forward to seeing how our reading takes us to new places and celebrating our love of books!

Please submit the photographs to either your child's class teacher or give them directly to the office. **Ideally we would like them in by Friday 17th March.**

Thank you for your support!

Pencil Cases

Please can you not send your child into school with a pencil case. The school supplies all the equipment the children need and some children are bringing in some inappropriate items. Thank you for your assistance.

Kids Club Xtra

Forms have been sent and e-mailed home this week for the next Kids Club Xtra on Friday 17th March from 3.15pm to 4.30pm in the Herbert Shiner Community Hall.

Inset Days 2016/2017

26 May 2017

05 June 2017

Dates for your Diary 2016/2017

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| Mon 9 Jan | Y4 Swimming at Billingshurst 1pm weekly until 27 th March |
| Mon 13-16 Mar | Scholastic Book Fair 3.15 to 3.45pm |
| Fri 17 Mar | Kids Club Xtra 3.15 to 4.30pm |
| Fri 17- 20 Mar | IOW Residential |
| Mon 20 Mar | Oak Class Goodwood Farm Trip |
| Fri 24 Mar | Red Nose Day |
| Thurs 30 Mar | Beech Class to Chichester Museum and Cathedral (TBC) |
| Fri 31 Mar | Coffee Morning communicating children's progress during the year 8.30am |
| Fri 31 Mar | PPSA Spring Ball (disco) |
| Fri 31 Mar | ALL TEACHER LED CLUBS FINISH THIS WEEK |
| Tues 4 Apr | Easter Service at St Mary's at 9.30am |
| Thurs 6 Apr | Maple Class Cello Assembly for their Parents 1.30pm |
| Fri 7 Apr | END OF SPRING TERM |
| Mon 24 Apr | BACK TO SCHOOL START OF SUMMER TERM |
| Tues 25 Apr | Archery Year 1 and 2 with Premier Sports 5 weeks £19.95 |
| Wed 26 Apr | Beech Class (Group 2) Forest School Session weekly until 24 th May |
| Mon 1 May | BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED |
| Tues 23 May | Year 1 and 2 Planetarium Trip (TBC) |
| 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 |
| Sat 24 June | PPSA Summer Fair |
| Wed 28 June | MRC Transition Day |
| Fri 30 June | Sports Day |
| Tues 25 July | END OF SUMMER TERM |
| Mon 4 Sept | START OF AUTUMN TERM |
| Mon 11-15 Sept | Year 6 Bikeability |

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