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James 1:12 'Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial'

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Petworth Area Schools (PAS) Cross Country

On Wednesday 3rd October the latest cross country event took place at Petworth Park. Three schools took part; Duncton, Fittleworth and ourselves. In total 148 year four, five and six children (67 girls and 81 boys) ran just over a mile on a very tough course. Each child was challenged to do their best, support each other and if they had run in the event last year, to beat their previous best.

In the girls competition Everlyn finished an incredible second place and the first year five girl. Alicia finished in 9th overall and 2nd year four girl, closely followed by Charlotte who finished 10th and 3rd for her age. Chloe J finished 11th overall, Chloe B 18th, Jasmine 21st, Maria 22nd, Abbie 23rd and Sophie H 24th. As a team our girls finished 3rd two points behind Fittleworth, with Duncton, who had five girls finish in the top eight places, winning the team event.

In the boys competition, Jacques won the overall event with a very impressive run. Lloyd finished 4th overall but 1st year five boy. Harry Wi finished 8th, Ben 9th, Kamen 11th, Archie 14th, Luke 18th, Tyler T 21st and Jack B 22nd. As a team our boys won the event by 10 points.

Well done to all of the runners as everyone completed the course and although tired most said they would do it again.

Eco

For the month of October, our Eco-Warriors have decided to take part in a campaign called "What's under your feet!" In school the children will be digging up part of our field and discovering the vertebrates and invertebrates that are beneath the surface. We will then collate these with schools across the UK, creating a database of the species we have found.

If you have time at home why not do your own bug hunt! Let us know what you find and we can add this to our database.



Class Blogs

Please remember to take a look at your child's class blog to see what they have been learning in class, these blogs can also be found on the school website under Classes or Parent Information, Class Blogs.

Oak Class Blog

<http://oakclasspetworth.edublogs.org/>

Ash Class Blog

<http://ashclasspetworth.edublogs.org/>

Rowan Class Blog

<http://rowanclasspetworth.edublogs.org/>

Beech Class Blog

<http://beechclasspetworth.edublogs.org/>

Maple Class Blog

<http://mapleclasspetworth.edublogs.org/>

Elm Class Blog

<http://elmclasspetworth.edublogs.org/>

Willow Class Blog

<http://petworthprimaryschool.edublogs.org/>

Petworth Community Garden

Last week Oak Class visited Petworth Community Gardens. We had a wonderful time looking at the fruit and vegetables growing, as well as using our senses to feel and smell the herbs. When we came back to school, we used information books to find out about a range of fruits and vegetables, as well as sorting them into various groups.





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PGL Little Canada 2018

Last weekend our year six children participated in their annual residential at Little Canada on the Isle of Wight. This experience gives children the opportunity to inspire, nurture and challenge themselves and their peers. The trip started with a dip in the sea with Kaycie leading the way. In all of the years I have been going to this beach I have never seen so many children eager to get into the water. It was great to see them exploring the water and sandbanks. This was a great start to the four days and it set the tone for exploration for the time we were away.

During the trip the children and teachers constantly had challenges which ranged from climbing higher, entering dark and gloomy spaces (tunnel trail) and problems to solve. The biggest challenge the teachers had was to stop Jacques from playing football! We were all pleasantly surprised at how the children went as far as they could and then a little bit further with a bit of persuasion. Luke typified this as he refused to abseil down the 10m wall after climbing the ladders to the top. After a few minutes at the bottom decided he wanted to go up again...Luke abseiled down three times. Great perseverance and resilience.

There were numerous funny moments during our trip....forgetting Charlotte was still at the top of All Aboard which is 10m high, in the wind and rain; children flossing as they abseiled; Abbie and Ollie reading while on the zip wire; Jacques reading aloud on the Giant Swing; Archie's impersonation of a lobster; the screams from most of the children on the Giant Swing. Each child and teacher will have their favourite moments.

As a parent or carer it is always worrying when your child is away and one of the biggest worries is, 'Will they eat enough?' Well rest assured they did! There was only one other school (six seventeen years olds), so we had plenty of opportunities for seconds. In fact it was difficult to get Kalin to stop eating!

During the four days the children abseiled, climbed 10m high poles, zip wired, problem solved, quad biked and much, much more. The children grow in confidence as they tackle activities they would not normally engage in and when you see children leaping off a 10m pole to catch the trapeze, who were at first reluctant to go beyond the 2m point, it enforces that all of our children can achieve with the right encouragement and environment.

As we returned to Portsmouth and said goodbye to Little Canada, the children saw the US aircraft carrier Harry S Truman, one of the around the world sailing boats, various British Navy boats, the hovercraft and plenty of sailing boats. It 2

gave us the opportunity to reflect and I am looking forward to reading all about the children's adventures through their writing.

I am always grateful to people giving up their free time and to give up a whole weekend goes way beyond their role. This trip would not have happened if it was not for Mr Neary, Mrs Gill and Mrs Carter.





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Watersfield Tournament for Years 2 and 3

On Monday 8th October, children from Years 2 and 3 took part in a local football tournament at Watersfield. The squad were brilliantly supportive of each other and played really well. They drew their first game 0-0 with Bury. It was end to end! They lost their second game 6-0 but won their last game 4-0. They should be very proud of themselves. Well done!

Squad members :Harry S, Shay, Seb, Eve, Ferne, Imogen, Millie and Archie AS.

Harvest Festival

A big thank you for your generosity for all the amazing Harvest Festival food donations for the Foodbank.

Bollard on School Site

On Thursday 11th October between 9.30am and 10.30am the damage in the photo was made. Did you see anything? If you did please let the office staff know. I have contacted the various companies who enter the site without success. Although this has nothing to do with our school, I am very keen to find the culprit as they just drove off.

INSET DAYS

- 18th October 2018**
- 19th October 2018**
- 25th February 2019**
- 3rd June 2019**

Dates for your Diary 2017/2018

Fri	12 Oct	PPSA Disco
Mon	15 Oct	No Teacher Led Clubs this week
Mon	15 Oct	Parents Evening
Tues	16 Oct	Oak Class Six Weeks In Coffee Morning 9-10am
Wed	17 Oct	Parents Evening
Wed	17 Oct	Break up for Half Term
Thurs	18 Oct	INSET DAY
Fri	19 Oct	INSET DAY
Mon 22-Fri 26 Oct Half Term		
Mon	29 Oct	Back to School
Mon	29 Oct-Fri 2 Nov	Year 6 Bikeability
Thurs	30 Oct	Year 4 Imperial War Museum London
Thurs	1 Nov	Beech Class Forest School
Fri	2 Nov	School Photos
Fri	2 Nov	Kids Club Xtra 3.15-4.30pm
Wed	7 Nov	Year 5/6 Imperial War Museum
Wed	21 Nov	Year 5 Rother Valley All Sing at MRC 9.30-12.30pm



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Forest School Dates

Thurs 1st-29th Nov	Beech (YR3)
Thurs 6th Dec-31st Jan	Maple Explorers (YR4)
Thurs 7th Feb-14th Mar	Maple Investigators (YR4)
Thurs 21st Mar-2nd May	Elm Group 1 (YR5)
Thurs 9th May-13th June	Elm Group 2 (YR5)
Thurs 20th June-19th July	Willow (YR6)
Spring Term	Ash Class
Summer Term	Oak Class



Animal Rhymes and fun with Andrea Prior

Saturday 27th October
10.30am-11.30am and 11.30am-12.30pm

Join local children's author and illustrator Andrea Prior to enter a weird and wonderful world of animal rhymes and fun activities in a special pre-launch of her second book 'A Piddle of Puppies'.



For children aged 5-9 years.

Copies of 'A Piddle of Puppies' will be available to buy at the end of each session. Cash only.

Tickets are free but please book to avoid disappointment.



Parents and carers are asked to remain on the premises during this activity

Petworth Library
High Street
GU28 0AU
01798 342274

 **EarlyBird Plus**
A NATIONAL AUTISTIC SOCIETY APPROACH.

Parents and professionals working together.

The *EarlyBird Plus* Approach is an autism specific approach to provide parents and a professional working with a child who has a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder, with information, support and practical advice.

Research has shown that:

- Early intervention for children and parents as soon as possible after diagnosis is considered vital.
- Parents have a need for support in the post diagnosis period.
- Involvement of parents in early intervention has been shown to have a positive effect.
- Parents and professionals working together can maximise consistent help for the child.

The age range for *EarlyBird Plus* is Year R to Year 3 (age 4 to 8 but not being 9 years of age before the start of the programme). *EarlyBird Plus* is available to teams of 3 adults: 2 parents/carers & a professional working with the child. There are places for 6-8 teams on each course.

Members of The Educational Psychology Service and Social Communication Team are accredited trainers of the above approach and we are able to offer parents of children attending mainstream schools the opportunity to participate in the programme. The next series of sessions will be held at **Downview Primary School**, Wroxham Way, Felpham, West Sussex, PO22 8ER. Lizzie Lynas and Katherine Miles will be the trainers for this series of 8 sessions. Confirmed dates are the following Thursdays in 2019:

10th, 17th, 24th Jan
7th, 14th, 28th Feb
14th, 21st March

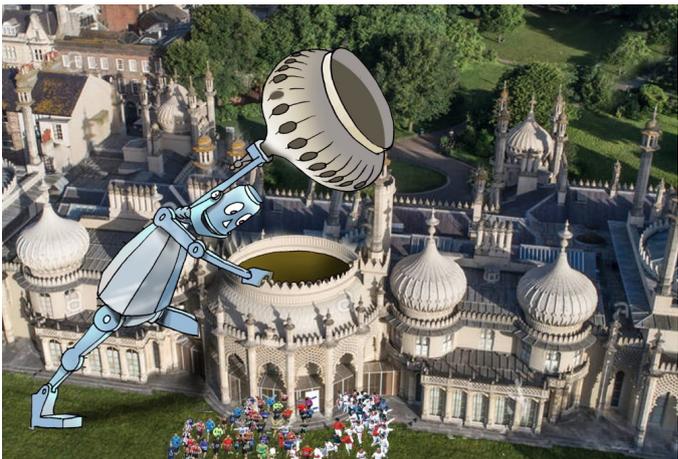
Time: 9.30am -12.15pm

Follow-up meeting: June (date tbc)
Additionally one of the course tutors visits each family between sessions 3 & 4 and 6 & 7.

If you think you might be interested in a place on the above course the next step is to attend the **Information Meeting** (see below). Please also share this flier with your child's school: a member of staff is welcome to attend the meeting with you. Application forms for the programme will be available at this meeting:

**EARLYBIRD PLUS INFORMATION MEETING
for PARENTS & PROFESSIONALS
Thursday 8th November, 10am -11.30am
at
Downview Primary School, Wroxham Way,
Felpham, West Sussex, PO22 8ER.**

For further information or to confirm places at the above meeting please contact: Lizzie Lynas, Educational Psychologist at earlybirdplus@westsussex.gov.uk or on 0330 2228520.



BRIGHTON SCIENCE FESTIVAL
October 16 - November 4
Hands-On Half-Term - October 20-28
Plus events in every corner of Brighton
For young and old and curious
www.BrightonScience.com



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1 John 3:17 If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person?

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OCTOBER HALF TERM
Netball Camp

One-day camp (ages 10-13yrs)
Wednesday 24th October 2018
9am - 5pm • £35.00

PLUS
All those who book onto a camp will also receive a Mavericks T-shirt!

Please contact Sarah Beattie at netball@everyoneactive.com for more information or call 01442 952480 to book.

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE!
Book early to avoid disappointment.

The Grange Community & Leisure Centre
Bepton Road, Midhurst
GU29 9HD



everyone ACTIVE



PETWORTH COMMUNITY CRAFT GROUP

MEGA SALE!

27th October 2018 in the
Leconfield Hall at the
Petworth Farmers Market

50% OFF!

We are selling our summer stock at greatly reduced prices to make way for our new Christmas creations.

Come and grab a bargain!



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KIDS CLUB
Presents
Kids Club
Xtra!

After School Bible Club
for all the family

Friday November 2nd 2018
3.15pm - 4.30pm
Herbert Shiner Community Hall
FOR ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN
younger children welcome if accompanied by an adult

Followed by a free Family Tea
4.30pm - 5.30pm

Join us at 4.30pm and let the whole family enjoy a free hot meal provided by us.
NB Kids Club will not be responsible for children after 4.30pm
If you register beforehand by November 1st we will be happy to collect your child from school and take them straight to the community hall.

More info: Annie Sneller 01798 342507 Jackie Smith 01798 342487 or
Marie Ann Punter 01798 343102 Email petworthkidsclub@gmail.com

Kids' Club is an initiative of Petworth Area Churches Together

HUBBLE BUBBLE HELP US DOUBLE!



This year Petworth Community Craft Group is on target to have raised at least £500 for Petworth Community Garden and next year we would like **to double our success!**

Our charity for 2019 is Petworth Youth Association and **we would like to raise £1000!**

To do this we need more members. Would you like to join us in making saleable items out of mostly recycled, reused and natural materials? We are an inclusive group so you don't need to be an experience crafter.

Everyone can achieve something!

For more information please contact Tricia by email or phone as below.



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