

P.P.S. NEWSLETTER

Inspire, nurture, challenge.

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

2nd October 2018 **Autumn Term No.3**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week again transpired to be another busy week. Oak Class The Bombing of the Boys' School are now fully embedded in school life as they participate in our daily collective worship and they even went on a school trip to our local church. Rowan Class had another session at our Forest School, which Mrs Ashton-Smith is leading. We are extremely proud that no one actually went for a swim this week. Mrs Ashton-Smith has added a new dimension to our Forest School as we regularly explore the river. These sessions are very hands on for the children. This week they focused on compass work, exploring the forest and cooking popcorn.

As we are keen to keep developing our curriculum, it is great to see the children cooking more regularly with year four and five children gaining experience in the kitchen this week. We Football Tournament at Watersfield are always looking for different 'hooks' to engage the children. Last week Elm Class were dressing up as Greeks, which gave them an insight into life during this period of history. Most of Willow Class participated in an experience day at MRC on Wednesday as they start to think about their next steps in their learning journey. On Friday, Willow Class represented the school at the memorial service to remember the Boys' School bombing on the 29th September 1942.

I am also very grateful to all of our teachers and teaching Open Afternoon for Prospective Reception Parents assistants for offering so many different before and after We will be holding an Open Afternoon on Tuesday 16th school clubs. These clubs are run on a voluntary basis and we are lucky that teachers are giving up their valuable time. Our PPSA met last week for their AGM and we really appreciate the dedication and commitment from these wonderful people. They work tirelessly throughout the year to raise money for the school for those extra resources and trips e.g. pantomime visit for every key stage two child.

We are always looking for volunteers to help out at school be it reading with a child, working with the children in the woods, helping develop maths skills, giving children an opportunity to learn new skills as they cook or by helping to develop the school grounds. Please let us know if you have any spare time.

We have had a lovely offer by Petworth Gardeners as they are willing to work with any parents with their children, who are available in Monday 15th October to help maintain our beautiful garden and other areas in the school. If you are available, please let the office know.

On Friday Willow Class represented our school as we paid our respects for this tragic event in the history of Petworth. Although this is a very solemn event our children were impeccable and gave this event the respect it deserved. What was even more impressive is the way they engaged with other members of the congregation and the questions the children asked were meaningful, thoughtful and insightful. It is incredibly hard for children to understand that this event can have on a town, but Mr Neary has given the children an insight into the events and the children used their knowledge as they talked after the ceremony.

Petworth C of E Primary School took part in its first football tournament of the year at Watersfield on Tuesday afternoon last week. As usual, the children who took part showed exemplary sportsmanship and teamwork. Despite their impressive footwork, excellent goalkeeping and ambitious shooting, the team came fifth (out of eight) – winning two out of the four games. Now the 'warm-up' competition is out of the way, the team is primed for the next competition!

October for prospective parents of children starting in Reception Class in September 2019 from 1.15-3pm.

Keeping Children Safe in our Community

It is everyone's responsibility to ensure that children are safe and that they are not being harmed, abused or neglected. As a community we have a responsibility to report any concerns to the appropriate people. The most effective way is to report directly to MASH (Multi Agency

Safeguarding Hub), which can be completed anonymously. MASH can be contacted by telephone 01403 229900 or via email mash@westsussex.gcsx.gov.uk. More information can be found at

https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-andfamilies/keeping-children-safe/raise-a-concern-about-a-child/.

Eco-fact

In 1921, Albert Einstein won the Nobel Prize for his work on photovoltaics and solar power.



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Every child has the right to play and rest.

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Twitter - @Petworthschool

Every now and then we post aspects of school life on our Twitter account (@Petworthschool) and we do this as another way to communicate what the children are up to. You can only follow and see posts if we accept you, so unless your account is very obviously you we will not accept you. Therefore please email the office your account and we will ensure you can have access to the posts. Thank you.

Staying Safe Online



Please find a link to a document which West Sussex has released about keeping children safe online. With more children using technology and the Internet it is mperative we have discussions and rules.

This document may assist you with these discussions. The document can also be found at

https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/campaigns/staying-safeonline/







SPAG FACT

Grammatical Feature: Paragraph

Definition: 'Chunks' of related thoughts or ideas.

They make reading easier to

understand.

A new paragraph usually means a change of topic, idea, time, place or

argument.

New SchoolsBuddy System

The App is now available from Google Play or the App Store to download on your phone.

INSET DAYS

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

Dates for your Diary 2017/2018

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Thurs	11 Oct	Last Forest School Session for Rowan Class			
Fri	5 Oct	Year 6 Little Canada Residential IOW Trip			
Mon	8 Oct	Year 6 Return from Little Canada			
Mon	8 Oct	Year 1-3 Football Tournament Watersfield			
		3-4.30pm			
Wed	10 Oct	Harvest Festival 9.30am			
Fri	12 Oct	PPSA Disco			
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					

1 Nov Beech Class Forest School Fri 2 Nov School Photos

Forest School Dates

Mon

Thurs

Thurs 13th Sept-11th Oct Rowan (YR2) Thurs 1st-29th Nov Beech (YR3)

29 Oct Back to School Mon 29 Oct-Fri 2 Nov Year 6 Bikeability

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) Ash Class Spring Term Summer Term Oak Class



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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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Chichester Diocese



Mrs Mary Nagel & Fr Mark Gilbert will lead a team of Adult leaders (groups may bring their own leader if they wish).

Children aged 7-11 (Year 6)

Cost £99 for transport, accommodation and all meals. (Cost for Adult leaders £120) **Fun Work**

Shops drama, music, art & craft

Great Worship with young people from all over Britain

Disco Party & Outdoor Games

and lots to discover and explore in Walsingham. We will ask permission for you to be excused from school on the 15th March as it is an educational trip, but this is at the discretion of the Headteacher www.sswshchichester.weebly.com

WALSINGHAM CHILDREN'S PILGRIMAGE

- The Children will be in safe secure accommodation in the shrine.
- We shall go up by mini bus subsidised by the pilgrimage committee. Adults will have been DBS checked both Male and Female leaders.
- St Johns' Ambulance are present at the Shrine

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Headteacher		
Parish		
Parish Priest		
Signed (& Print)		
Parent/Guardian		
Dietary		
Requirements		

Please send this form and £20 deposit (cheques: Chichester Diocesan Pilgrimage Committee) by 17th December to guarantee a place (deadline 21st January 2019) to Mrs Mary Nagel, Aldwick Vicarage, 25 Gossamer Lane, Bognor Regis PO21 3AT tel. 01243 262049 marynagel54@gmail.com Places are limited so please register as soon as possible