



Friday 23rd September 2022

Dear Parents

I am pleased to write with this week's newsletter. This letter and previous versions can be found in the <u>letters section</u> of our website.

Safeguarding, Welfare & Wellbeing

Safeguarding and Welfare will always be our very highest priority in helping us achieve our vision of <u>Love Learn Shine</u>. We will use this section of the newsletter each week to keep families up to date with a range of key safeguarding and welfare information.

Safeguarding and Welfare Key Staff

Safeguarding and welfare is the responsibility of all staff, governors, visitors, volunteers and families. In line with national expectations we have a team of trained designated senior leaders who support and oversee a strong safeguarding culture.

Designated Trained Safeguarding Leaders



Mr Paul Griffiths Headteacher & Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)



Miss Helena Fishburn
Deputy Headteacher & Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)



Mrs Alice Jones
Special Ed cation Needs Co-ordinator (SENDCO) &
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)



Mr William Naylor Safeguarding Governor

If you have any concerns regarding the safety or welfare of children or adults please contact the school office who will direct you to one of the designated safeguarding leaders. If you have a concerns about the dealing with a safeguarding issue by any of the trained safeguarding staff you should contact the safeguarding governor.





Help for Households

The Cabinet Office has recently launched the 'Help for Households' campaign which explains the different government schemes available to help with the cost of living, including new one-off payments as well as existing benefits and schemes.

These schemes have now been brought onto one <u>Cost of Living Support</u> website. Families may find the tips, ideas and support helpful.



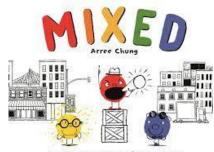


Curriculum Spotlight

Mixed

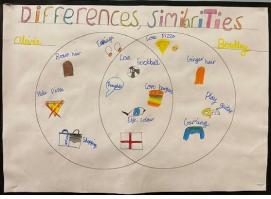
As we started the year together all classes enjoyed exploring and sharing the book 'Mixed'. It led to lively and well-informed discussions about celebrating difference and diversity and has led to a lovely array of work on a number of the communal displays around school.

Children may wish to share some of this with you. You can Learn more about the author, the themes and listen to the story at the <u>author website</u>.



An inspiring story about colour













Curriculum Learning Overviews

We are pleased to share an overview of curriculum leaning for each class. We hope families find this helpful in instigating conversations about learning in school and supporting their children.

Learning overviews can be accessed via the respective class page of the website.



Phonics Information Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended the phonics information evening on Wednesday evening. We hope you found it useful and that the children enjoyed their story time sessions. Thank you to FOSP for arranging story tellers and milk and cookies.

All the slides and resources shared are available to look at on our website in a section dedicated to Phonics and Early Reading



Collective Worship Spotlight

Harvest Festival

We are all looking forward to sharing our Harvest festival with families on Thursday (29th September) at 9.30 at St Peter's Church. If you are able to help walk with us to church please meet on the front playground at 9.00am after drop off. We will be collecting donations to be used by St Peter's Church in their work to feed those who are need. They would very much like donations of;

- Tinned fruit
- Rice and pasta.
- Pasta sauces.
- Pot noodles.
- Biscuits.
- Long life milk.
- Coffee and tea.

It would be particularly helpful if donations could be taken directly to St Peter's Church. Thank you for your support.







Collective Worship Themes

We have a values based approach to our worship cycle exploring a key value each half term

The first of our values to explore this year is Thankfulness. Families can see our full programme of worship on the <u>Collective Worship Page</u> of Website.



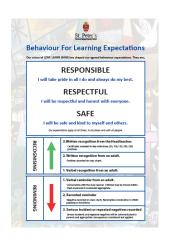
Whole School

Behaviour

Behaviour Expectations

We are proud of our high expectations and standards of behaviours that enable our children to learn well.

We have updated these expectations for the new school year with a greater focus on personal responsibility. Having taken on board feedback from children we will continue with our individual merit system and will be introducing a special reward event to accompany the 15 merit milestone as well as brand new certificates for all the milestones from 50 all the way to 250. We will continue to use <u>ClassCharts</u> to manage this.



Sharing Success

As mentioned above we use <u>ClassCharts</u> to manage the awarding of all our behaviour merits. We are pleased that this year we will launch the parent app element of this software. Next week families will receive an individual letter with a code for their child or children which will give them access to view all the merits awarded. This can be done via the app or via the <u>ClassCharts website</u>.



Trading Cards

We politely request that all types of collectable cards and trading cards are kept safely at home. While we appreciate children really enjoy this activity, lost or damaged cards and disputed trades often result in difficult situations and are an unnecessary distraction within the school day. Any cards accidently brought to school will be kept safe by an adult and returned at the end of the day. Please check pockets and bags and keep them safe and sound at home. Thank you.







Attendance & Punctuality

Please remember school starts at 8.45 at which time children should be in their lines and ready to go into school.

If you are struggling for any reason to get your child to school please do let us know as soon as possible on the day in order that we can try to help.

If you would like any help or support please do get in touch with us via your child's teacher or direct to Mr Griffiths or Miss Fishburn.



School success starts with attendance

A Busy Summer

School has been a hive of activity throughout the summer implementing an ambitious schedule of improvement works. We hope you have noticed some of the obvious improvements as you have picked up and dropped off as well as heard from your children.





Removal of external fire escapes and complete replacement of balcony metal work.



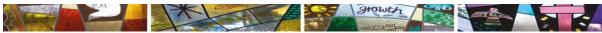
Replacement of Pirate ship with new 'Scramble Stax' and Parkour Equipment.







New outdoor classroom, mud kitchen, upgraded sandpit and seating area









Brand New Classroom for Finches. Two rooms combined to make one brand new space with direct access to classroom toilets, fully redecorated including new energy efficient LED lighting and new flooring.





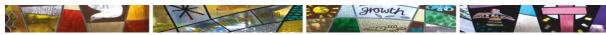
Redecoration of Sparrows, new breakout space direct from the classroom and new internal secondary fire evacuation route

What Is Next?

Premises Security and Access

We continue to work closely with local planning officers to find a solution to improve the site making it as secure and accessible as possible. We will keep families updated with our progress hopefully with positive news to follow. We also continue to seek further funding though the trust and direct from the DfE to continue to make the types of improvements that have been achieved over the summer.







Sharing Our Shine

Mumbler Awards

We are delighted that Mrs Renton has been shortlisted as one of only six teachers to be nominated **Mumblers' Favourite Teacher**, **Coach or Leader**.

Voting for the 2022 Harrogate Mumbler Awards is now open and **will close at midnight on Friday 30th September.**

Please support both Mrs Renton and St Peter's School by voting for her which you can do <u>here.</u>



PE Days

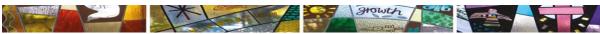
Monday	Owls, Starlings and Eagles
Tuesday	Wrens, Kingfishers, Sparrows, Finches and Starlings
Wednesday	Herons, Ravens and Eagles
Thursday	Wrens, Kingfishers, Sparrows and Finches
Friday	Herons, Ravens and Eagles

Clubs

Autumn Term – Clubs Start Week beginning 19th September

Day	Lunchtime or After School	Club	Time	Who for	Charge if applicable
Monday	After School	Girls football	3.15-4.30	Yr 2 & 3	£2 per week
Tuesday	Lunchtime	Lego	12.30- 1.00	Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6	None
Tuesday	Lunchtime	Chess	12.30- 1.00	Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6	None
Tuesday	Lunchtime	Makaton	12.00- 12.30	Yrs 1-6	None
Tuesday	After school	Multi-Sports	3.15–4.30	Y1 & 2	£2 per week
Tuesday	After school	Choir	3.15-4.15	Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6	None
Thursday	After School	Dodgeball	3.15-4.30	Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6	£2 per week
Friday	After school	Table Tennis	3.15-4.15	Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6	£2 per week

To sign up to the various clubs please complete the <u>consent form</u>. All forms must be completed by the 25 September.





Snack Trolley & Snacks from Home

While many if not all of us enjoy an occasional sweet treat, it is important we model good healthy balances to our children. With this in mind and having talked to children, staff and our catering team the following changes will be implemented from after October half term.

Our daily snack trolley will contain;

Monday - Thursday. Whole pieces of fresh fruit e.g. apples, bananas, fresh fruit pots/fruit kebabs, raisins, breadsticks, vegetable sticks, milk.

Friday (Treat Friday) - As per Monday-Thursday but also fruit juice, milkshake and one sweeter treat such as flapjack/blueberry muffin.

We respectfully ask that snacks from home mirror what is available in school. Children in Early Years and Key Stage One will continue to receive free school fruit.





Friends of St Peter's (FOSP) News

Wonderful Friends Group

We are very lucky to have a fabulous FOSP group who work incredibly hard to arrange events for our school community and raise funds to support projects in school.

They are busy planning for the year ahead and have already hosted infant story night and redecorated the butterfly garden. Thank you. They will use this section of the newsletter to keep everyone updated with news and events information. Also keep an eye on their notice board at the front of school and their page of the website.



Fantastic Fundraisers

One of our fantastic grandmothers in the St Peter's family, Rabinder, is doing her sponsored walk again this year to raise money for FOSP. Barclay's bank match whatever she raises up to £750 so every little bit we can raise for her really makes a big difference to the overall total. Please donate if you can to help raise money for the fantastic new playground your children will be enjoying for years to come.

Donations can be made via Rabinder's <u>Just Giving Page</u>. Lets help her reach her £1200 target.







Huge thank you and well done to Ari and Ava who completed their fun run in the summer holidays and raised an amazing £473 for FOSP. Thank you to them both for choosing FOSP as their charity of choice for their run and tank you to everyone who sponsored them.



Merit awards

Infants	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Wrens Florie and Hannah Kingfishers Florence and Oliver P Sparrows Harvey and Sam Finches Ty and Daniel O	Owls Hugo and Henry Starlings Violet and Oliver	Eagles Georgia and Sebbie Herons Jonah and Moses Ravens Natalia and Hunter

Diary Dates



Important Diary Dates

Date	Activity	Year Group(s)
Thursday 29 th September 9.30 St Peter's Church	Harvest Festival in St Peter's Church	Whole School and families welcome to attend.
Monday 3 rd – Wednesday 5 th October	Bewerley Park Residential	Year 5
Thursday 20 th October 6.00pm	FOSP Halloween Disco	Whole School – parents must attend with children.
Friday 21st October	School finishes for half term	Whole School
Monday 31st October 2022	INSET Staff Training Days. School Closed to children.	Whole School
Week beginning Monday 7 th November	Parent Consultation Week – Both online and in person appointments available	Whole School – dates for classes to follow.





Tuesday 8 th November	FOSP Key Stage Two Movie Night	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
Saturday 3 rd December 12.00- 2.00pm	FOSP Christmas Fare	All welcome
Tuesday 13 th December St Paul's Church	2.00pm Nativity Dress Rehearsal – (limited spaces as rest of school watching) 5.00pm Nativity Evening Performance	All welcome
Tuesday 13 th December St Paul's Church	9.30 Nativity Morning Performance	All welcome
Thursday 15 th December 9.30 St Peter's Church	Christmas Service	Whole School and families welcome to attend.
Friday 16 th December 2022	Community Carol Singing – Alms Houses 1.30pm	Whole School – All welcome
Friday 16 th December 2022	School Closes for Christmas Holiday – 2.00pm Finish	Whole School

Best wishes Mr Paul Griffiths - Headteacher