



LOVE LEARN SHINE Shine in the light and love of God.

Friday 19 May 2023

Dear Parents

I am pleased to write with this week's newsletter. This letter and previous versions can be found in the letters section 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.

Photos

Thank you to all the families who have supported with walking to and from the Stray for PE lessons this half term or have come to see their children taking part in PE. Your help and support is very much appreciated.

Please can we remind parents that any photos taken at public events should be of their own children ONLY and should not be placed on social media.



Helping young children in difficult situations to seek support has always been hard. Their minds are often not developed enough to understand bad situations. They are also unable to comprehend what they need to do to get out of them. More often than not their limited vocabulary will also reduce their ability to talk to adults effectively. ChildNet has released a downloadable story over on their site, aimed at children aged three and up. Their objective is to make them aware of how to seek help. By following the link here you can also find simplified resources around the story, as well as the story itself

Snack Time

While many if not all of us enjoy an occasional sweet treat, it is important we model good healthy balances to our children. We do this through our snack trolley which contains;

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. We are seeing an increasing number of children either bringing crisps as a snack or wanting to eat the crisps from the packed lunch at break time. Children will be politely asked to not eat these as a snack.











Curriculum & Extra-Curricular Spotlight

Well Done Year Two

The Year 2 children have officially completed their Secret Agent Training Service Missions (SATS). They have been resilient and have taken all these assessments in their stride. We are so proud of them all. Well done Year 2's- now time for a weekend of rest!

The outcomes of these assessments will be reported to parents at the end of the academic year along with the children's full end of year report.

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Library Visits

We are blessed to be so close to our fantastic local public library. Over the summer term all classes will be visiting as part of their English curriculum. On Tuesday it was the turn of children in Early Years. They all very much enjoyed hearing a story from one of the librarians as well as enjoying some paired reading and learning about how the books are organised and grouped.

Check out the <u>news section</u> for more information and pictures of our visits so far,



Sporting Competition Continues

The summer sports competition series continued this evening with a team representing Year 5&6 at Bilton cricket club in the Sporting Influence rounders series.

Following a quick recap of rules and tactics it was straight into a series of three matches against other local schools. In total the team played three matches improving their skills with each match especially in the sharpness of their fielding. Following a narrow defeat in the first match to Willow Tree they then won their next two matches against Bilton Grange and New Park. As two teams won two out of three their matches it came down to the total rounders scored to decide the overall winner from the evening with St Peter's emerging on top by just half a rounder.

It was a pleasure to see how quickly they gelled as a team and sharpened their fielding skills learning and adapting as each game passed. Very well done to all who took part



Children in Lower Key Stage have enjoyed taking their learning outdoors today at RHS Harlow Carr. Thank you to FOSP for supporting this with a generous contribution towards transporting children.

More news on what they got up to next week.







Year 4 Times Table Competition

In preparation for the Year 4 Multiplication Check, the Year 4's in Owls, Starlings and Herons will be competing in 'Battle of the Birds: Owls vs Starlings vs Herons' to be crowned Multiplication Heroes. The competition will go live on TT Rockstars on Friday at 15:30 and there will be a prize for the class who gets the most correct answers within the shortest time, with the number of games played being taken into consideration. We will announce the winners in our Shine assembly on Friday 9th June. Good Luck!



Collective Worship Spotlight

New Worship Theme - Service

As we continue the half term we delve deeper into developing our understanding the value of service.

This week we talked about ways in which communities can serve and support each other. We earnt about the work of the <u>Trussel Trust</u> who have established food banks all over the UK.



Whole School

Packed Lunches

While there is no set list of acceptable or 'banned' items in packed lunches we would for obvious reasons encourage all packed lunches to contain a healthy balance for children.

NHS Change for Life has many fabulous ideas for healthy balanced packed lunches which parents may find helpful.





Parent Governor Vacancy

We have now filled one of our parent governor vacancies. Following the appropriate safeguarding checks will inform parents who our new governor is. We still have one parent governor vacancy and are keen to hear from anyone interested in supporting your school in this way. If you would like to arrange an informal chat with one of our current governors to find out more or access a nomination form please get in touch with Mrs Goold or Mrs Scammell in the office via admin@stpeters.ycst.co.uk or 01423 734611. The next closing date for nominations is Friday 26 May 2023. You can also find out more about our current governors and what it involved by visiting the Governance Page of our website.



Change of Address?

Parents can now submit change of details such as change of address direct through the Arbor App. As required by the local authority we will seek proof of new address information submitted. This can be done by bringing a letter or document with the new address on it to the office. Many thanks.



Strawberry Tea Event

We are looking forward to welcoming as many families as possible to this event next week. No ticket is required please just come along.



Merit awards

Infants	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
•	Mollie and Emily P Starlings Charlie and Serafina	Herons Tim and Moses Ravens Ava and Mila Eagles Seth and Eleanor

Friends of St Peter's (FOSP) News

Big Help Out – This Weekend

FOSP have organised a session to help out around the school grounds including continuing the work to re plant the front of school. Please see the details in the poster.





We need your help on

Sunday 21st May 1-3pm

We're asking for:

- Strong volunteers to dig. Planting holes in hidden tree roots,
 - Garden forks, spades, loppers, secateurs & outdoor brushes,
 - · Sandpaper to prep planters,
 - Spare/old paintbrushes for wood staining.







Children are welcome to play in the playground and there will be tea coffee and of course biscuits provided for all

Leavers Yearbook

The Yearbook will soon be in print and back at the school for 20th of July (ETA). If you would like to order the parent portal is open.

http://online.leaversbooks.com/portal/?ref=245660

OLB code- 245660 Password- ESLDA02XJD

The order DEADLINE is 19th June so please get the orders in before then.

The cost is £10 to parents, FOSP is paying the additional £5.99.

If any parents may struggle to cover the cost, please see the office and we can help.

Community Items

HALF-TERM FAMILY ACTIVITY - THE TROUBLE WITH DRAGONS.

Join us at Harrogate Library on Saturday 27th May at 10am for an interactive storytelling event for families. Come along and participate in a performance of The Trouble With Dragons presented by the Hazelsong Theatre Company, who will tell the ancient tale of Fafnir the mighty dragon, and find out how he came up against the valiant hero Sigurd.

The story will be told using giant puppets, masks and dramatic performance (including a 5m dragon puppet.) Who will win in this battle of wits and weapons?

Participants will be invited to help animate the three person dragon puppet, and also stamp a leather wristband which they can take home.

BOOKING ESSENTIAL.

Tickets, priced at £3 per child can be purchased from the library.

This event is suitable for children aged 5 years and over.

For more information, or to book a place, please call in at the library or give us a call on 01609 536658.





Diary Dates



Important Diary Dates

Date	Activity	Year Group(s)
Thursday 25 May 2.30	Music Performances and Afternoon Tea event in school	All welcome
Friday 26 May 2023	School Closes at 3.15pm for May Half term week	All
Monday 5 June 2023	School Opens for second half of summer term	All
Monday 12 – Friday 16 June	Year 1 Phonics Check Week	Year 1 children
Monday 12 – Friday 16 June	Year 4 Multiplication Check week	Year 4 children
Wednesday 14 June 3.30 – 5.00	Open Classroom Event	Whole School
Tuesday 20 June am	Sports Day – Morning	Whole School
Monday 26 June – Friday 30 June	Year 6 Residential to <u>East Barnby</u>	Year 6
Tuesday 4 July	Reserve Date for Sports Day – Morning	Whole School
Tuesday 11 – Thursday 13 July	HGS Transition Days	Year 6 children going to HGS
Thursday 13 July	St Aidan's Transition Day	Year 6 children going to St Aidan's.
Tuesday 18 July 2.00pm and 6.00pm	Year 6 Production performances – St Paul's Church	2.00pm whole school 6.00pm – Friends and family all welcome
Wednesday 19 July 6.00pm	Year 6 Production performance – St Paul's Church	6.00pm – Friends and family all welcome
Monday 17 July	End of Year Reports to Parents	All families
Thursday 20 July 2023 6.00 – 8.00	FOSP end of year disco	All welcome
Monday 24 July 12.00 – 1.00	Year 6 Treat Lunch – Pizza and Ice Cream	Year 6
Tuesday 25 July 9.30am	Leavers Service St Peter's Church	Whole School. All welcome
Tuesday 25 July 2023	School closes at 2.00pm for summer holiday	All