



# St Peter's CE Junior School

*Learning and living life in all its fullness*

## THE SCHOOL BELL

Friday 6th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'd like to start this week by sending a huge thank you to everyone who donated to our Elf Run last term. We have just found out the final total and it is a figure to be really proud of—well done to everyone involved in raising money or running on the day. I know it will go towards making a difference for this wonderful cause. Elsewhere in the newsletter, the final figure from our Rotary Santa efforts in December also features, with the money raised there going towards valuable in-school resources.

We will be raising money again in a different way next week and I hope you will feel able to support us for Miss Taylor's termly fundraiser - a Valentine's sweet sale on Friday. We have been working today on a list of items which the sales so far are going towards, including new goals; (big enough to score, but small enough that I hope it will dissuade even the most ambitious strikers from Chris Waddle-ing the balls over the fence!) bats; balls; a giant connect-4; hula-hoops; hoppers and pogo bouncers. We are also aiming, as we go through the year, for a set of basketball hoops; tyres and planks for balancing; quieter games like giant chess and Jenga and lots of other resources to enhance playtime.

Time outdoors is just as important to children's development as our more structured lessons indoors. Developing the way we support children's play, whether 'sporty' or imaginative, is an area I really want to explore over time, as I know the difference it makes to our children in so many ways, whether socially, physically, or in using sunshine (maybe not this week!) and fresh air to boost their energy levels ready for learning and living back in the classroom.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Hogan-Fleming



### Rotary Santa Donation



Katy Harris, our vice-chair of governors and also local Rotary member, visited us to hand over a fantastic £540 raised from the Christmas Santa collection around the local area. A huge thank you to the Rotary for supporting us and also, once again, to the staff (yes Humphrey, that's you too) and parents (and Santa himself!) who turned out to help on the night itself.

### Attendance Matters!

#### Weekly Attendance for Spring Week 4

Class	Attendance
3 Baden-Powell	99.2%
3 Holmes	96.4%
4 Mary Seacole	80.9%
4 Shackleton	89.2%
5 Newton	95.3%
5 Turing	89.1%
6 Churchill	93.9%
6 Pankhurst	95.5%
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>92.6%</b>

As always, if children are genuinely too ill to be in school, bed is absolutely the right place for them and that is reflected in low figures last week. Having said that, we're all a bit winter-buggy right now, so if they can sniffle through, we're all in it together!

#### Dates for your Diary

- Weds 11th Feb: Y4 Celebration of Learning—3-3.30
- Thurs 12th Feb: Y3 Charity Fun Event—Bring £1 or £2 to School
- Fri 13th Feb: Y6 Celebration of Learning—3-3.30pm
- Fri 13th Feb: Valentine Sweets for Sale at Lunchtime
- **Mon 16th Feb-Fri 20th Feb: HALF TERM—SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN**
- **Mon 23rd Feb: Term Starts for Children**
- Mon 23rd Feb: Young Voices at O2
- Fri 27th Feb: Rotary Young Photographer/ Artist Deadline
- Tues 3rd Mar: Parents and Carers Evening
- Weds 4th Mar: Parents and Carers Evening
- Thurs 5th Mar: World Book Day—Details to Follow
- Mon 9th Mar: Y6 guitar workshop
- Weds 11th Mar: Y3 Trip—Ufton Court
- Thurs 19th Mar: Whole School Indian Dance workshop
- Mon 23rd Mar: iRock Concert—9-9.30—Parents Invited
- Tues 24th Mar: Y5—Bikeability
- Weds 25th Mar: Y5—Bikeability
- **Fri 27th March: last day of term - 1.45pm finish for all children**

**INSET DAYS 25/26:** Fri 22nd May, Mon 1st June

## Year 3 Charity Request

Year 3 are holding a charity event on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February for pupils to attend. The money raised will be going to the 'Save the Children' charity. It will be £1 for 5 tokens to play the games.

If you have any unwanted teddies, please can you bring them in to donate to our charity event. Please can these be brought up to Year 3 by Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February.



Miss Taylor will be selling

# Valentine's

sweet treat bags

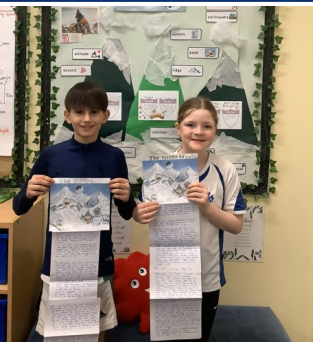
at lunchtime on 13<sup>th</sup> February

Just £1.00 for a yummy little treat

don't forget your pennies!

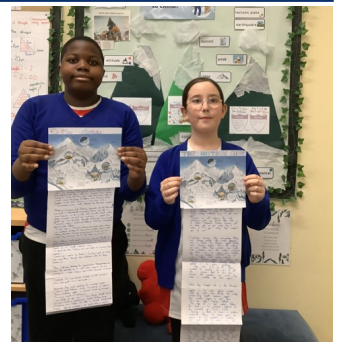
**Sneak Preview!**

These aren't finished yet, but we wanted to show you Year 4's 'work in progress' on their AMAZING dragon eyes, linked to the book 'How to Train Your Dragon' and all the Viking learning they've been doing. The care in these designs is just amazing and we can't wait to see what happens when they add paint too.



Can a mountain ever be too big to climb? Clearly not—just look at how much Year 6 have been inspired to write based on their learning about Everest this half-term!

The weather may be cloudy, but our eldest children continue to bring light and joy with their impressive work ethic and imaginative ideas - well done everyone, and we can't wait to share their writing with parents!



## January Highlights



When you unlock the secret level and get Dog Mentor time. Worth every good choice.



Pippa all week spreading calm in school ❤️  
Pippa at night: watching The Traitors like 🐾

Humphrey continues to seek out media fame, this month by appearing in the official 'Dog Mentor Monthly Newsletter.'

The circulation may be just a little lower than last term's ITV appearance, but Humphrey's agent says that all exposure is good exposure!

There's no particular reason that one of Humphrey's dog mentor colleagues 'Pippa' is included too, other than that her Traitors costume made Mr Hogan chuckle!



Well done to both the girls' and boys' football teams for a sterling effort in some very challenging weather in yesterday's football matches at Tower Hill.

There's no boys' photo— sorry, Mr Hudson was refereeing while they played! Nonetheless, both teams get full credit for their teamwork and energy.



## BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

### Volunteers needed!

This year's topic is *What's your question?* We are looking for people to come and talk to children during the week about how they use science in their job then, on the Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, we will have our science fayre.

Can you help us? We are looking to see how many St Peter's children can fit into a car, and how long we can continuously crochet for! We need many different skills- or if you can think of an amazing question to help our children to answer we would love to hear from you. Please email the office or speak to Mrs Burgess. You should also have received a survey to fill in this week- thank you to everyone who has contributed to this.



### What makes Farnborough unique? Lots!

Year 5 have been learning all about our local area and what makes it special. In art, they have made these awesome clay tiles based on local landmarks. They used traditional clay techniques including 'scratch and slip' to make sure all the pieces are securely joined together, before choosing their own colour scheme to paint the tiles.

Have a look and see if you can recognise which are based on the aviator stairs; Farnborough Airport hangars; the Air Control Tower; and the Frank Whittle monument. Thank you to Evelynn and Olivia for coming to tell Mr Hogan all about it!

# FAMILY LUNCH CLUB



Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February

11.30 am – 1.30 pm



Location

**North Camp Methodist Church**

Sign up via

- North Camp Methodist Church's website or FB Page
- Farnborough Baptist Church's FB Page or scan the QR Code



*Come for lunch with your family for FREE. The meals are hot and the welcome is warm!*



**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**

**RECIPES**

**FOOD PANTRY**





# An evening with Viv Dawes, Autistic Advocate on **Autistic Burnout**

Date: **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

Time: **7.30pm- 9.30pm**

Venue: **Ash Grange School, GU12 6LX**

Price: **Early Bird - £12 After 15<sup>th</sup> Feb - £15**

*Viv Dawes Autistic Advocate*  
*She, her, they*

Independent, AuDHD, PDA lived experience advocate, consultant, trainer and author.

Over 30 years experience of working with vulnerable people, including as a Snr Practitioner in the NHS and within the criminal justice system.

A popular, dynamic and passionate public speaker, including delivering talks on Autistic & AuDHD burnout at The London Autism and ADHD Show, June 24 and 25.

A consultant for Surrey CCs prison officer autism training (pilot programme).

Founder of the 'Autistic Burnout Network'.

Author of several books on Autistic Burnout inc 'The Young Person's Guide to Autistic Burnout'.

Delivers training for many organisations including the NHS and regularly runs online webinars for neurodivergent individuals, parents and professionals.

Provides 1-1 support for parents and for autistic adults.



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You can also find me on Facebook  
and Instagram



Profits from this event will support the work of  
**Mustard Seed Autism Trust**, registered charity: 1202378

# FEBRUARY HALF TERM

## Hands on History:

### Castles and Catapults (6+)

Mon 16 Feb | 10.30am, 1pm |  
Tudor House | £8

### Art for All: Introducing Acrylics - Winter Scenes (8+)

Mon 16 Feb | 10.30am, 12.30pm  
or 2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

### Tour for All: Saxons, Vikings and Normans Walking Tour

Tue 17 Feb | 11am |  
Tudor House | £10  
(accompanying children FREE)

### Art for All: Minecraft Mosaic Worlds (7+)

Tue 17 Feb | 10.30am, 12.30pm or  
2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

### Art for All: Great Fire of London Clay Scenes (5+)

Wed 18 Feb | 10.30am, 1pm |  
Tudor House | £8

### Art for All: Blueey Inspired Pen Pots (3+)

Wed 18 Feb | 10.30am, 12.30pm  
or 2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

### Art for All: K Pop Demon Hunters Clay Sculpture (6+)

Thu 19 Feb | 10.30am, 12.30pm  
or 2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

#### NEW FOR 2026


### Toddler Time: Characterful Dogs! (under 4s and friends)

Thu 19 Feb | 10.30am |  
SeaCity | £6

### Hands on History: Awesome Egyptians (7+)

Fri 20 Feb | 10.30am, 1pm |  
SeaCity | £8

### Junior Art School: Go Wild with Wool (7 - 13 years)


 Drop off your young people

Fri 20 Feb | 10.30am - 3.30pm  
Art Gallery | £26

## CULTURE CLUB FOR KIDS ACTIVITY DAYS



(Age 6½ - 12 years)

 Drop off your young people

Three days per week | 9am-4pm  
(drop off from 8.45)

SeaCity | £35 per day  
or £90 for all three days



Get creative, explore our  
collections and learn new  
stuff while making really  
cool things at our themed  
activity days.



**Cruise Adventures**  
Mon 16, Tues 17, Wed 18 Feb



See venue websites for further details on events and to book  
[seacitymuseum.co.uk](http://seacitymuseum.co.uk) | [tudorhouseandgarden.com](http://tudorhouseandgarden.com) | [southamptoncityartgallery.com](http://southamptoncityartgallery.com)

