St Peter's CE Junior School

Learning and living life in all its fullness

THE SCHOOL BELL

Friday 19th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

First up this week, a nod to Lara, who read the newsletter last week and came to see me to suggest lots of names to choose from as a new title. We're trying out 'The School Bell' this week and I think you'll agree it very much looks the part at the top of the page. Thank you Lara!

In our Collective Worship on Monday, I spoke about teamwork and resilience. In the Old Testament, King Solomon said 'if you want to be wise, look at what ants do', so we watched a video which explained about how ants work together to gather food and look after their colony. We also learnt that the comparison for the fact that they can lift 20 times their own body weight would be one of our Year 3 children lifting a car! We don't want our children lifting cars, but we certainly value teamwork and looking after each other.

On the note of teamwork (here comes a clever link!) it is the Friends of St Peter's AGM next week, on Wednesday at 6.30pm. Unlike many schools, we have not historically asked parents for a voluntary donation each year, so we rely on the tireless efforts of FOSP, and your support for their events, to help us purchase the extras which are so valuable to the children but which are not considered 'essential' in government funding. Please do consider volunteering if you have time, energy or talents which could be utilised!

We would love to fund equipment to support all children at break and lunch times, including basketball posts, mini goals, balance, skipping and quiet area resources - along with hopefully other ideas inside the building - but we will need your support to make this happen. We hope to bring you news of events to come following the meeting – watch this space!

Have a great weekend,

Mr Hogan-Fleming

Dates for your Diary

- **Weds 24th Sept—FOSP AGM—6.30pm at school**
- Weds 8th Oct—Harvest Service St Peter's Church—2.30-3.30pm—Parents Invited
- Fri 10th Oct—World Mental Health Day
- Weds 15th Oct—Year 4 Celebration of Learning—Parents Invited—1-3pm
- Tues 21st Oct—Parents' Evening
- Weds 22nd Oct—Year 6 Calshot Assembly to Parents—2.45-3.15pm
- Thurs 23rd Oct—Parents' Evening
- Fri 24th Oct—Last Day of Half term
- 27th—31st Oct—HALF TERM—SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN
- Mon 3rd Nov—INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN
- Tues 4th Nov– Children return to school
- Mon 10th Nov - Choir concert at the church with guest French pupils– 4.30pm
- Tues 11th Nov—Remembrance Day
- Mon 24th Nov—Y3 Butser Ancient Farm
- Weds 17th Dec—Christmas Service—St Peter's Church—Parents Invited

INSET DAYS 25/26:
3/11/25
5/1/26
22/5/26
1/6/26

More term dates available at: https://www.stpeterscofejuniorschool.co.uk/term-dates/

FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S (FOSP) AGM

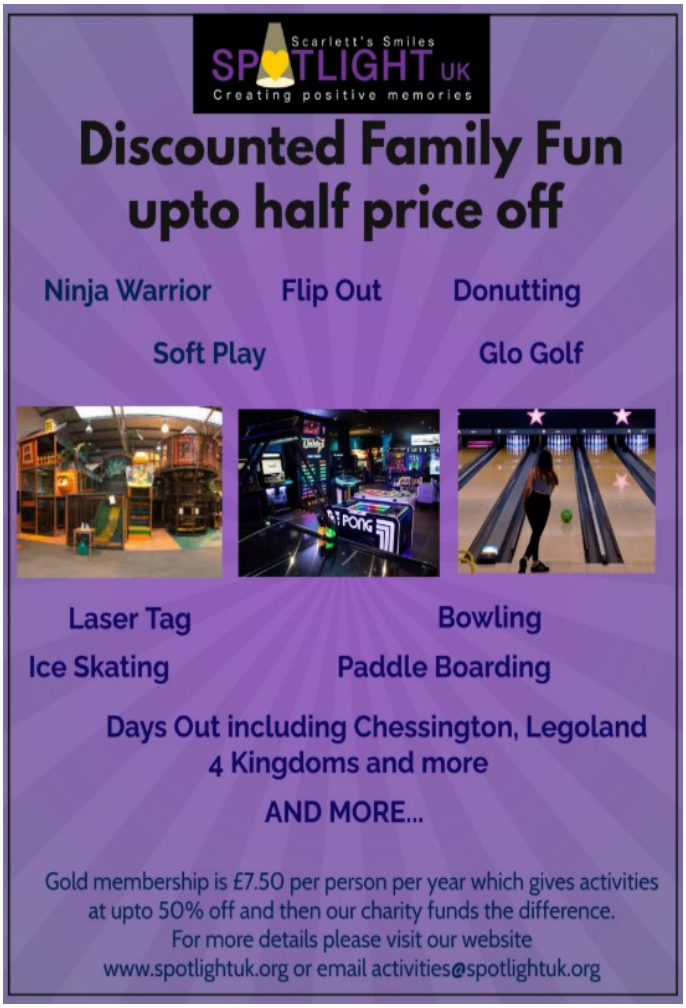
WEDNESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

6.30PM

Calling all parents—yes even all you dads out there! We need new recruits for the fundraising efforts at school. We're inviting anyone interested in being involved to join us next Wednesday. We'll be welcoming a new Committee and we'd really appreciate more support. For further information please email: A.friends@st-peters-jun.hants.sch.uk or just turn up on the day; **YOU ARE ALL WELCOME!**

WET WEATHER

Please be reminded that children go out in all weathers so PLEASE ensure your child has a coat with them at school EVERY DAY. The second hand uniform shop has a stock of winter coats if anyone would like to buy one. They are £4 each and will be on sale during parents evenings in October, or email: uniform@st-peters-jun.hants.sch.uk



Aaaaaaaachoo!

As we enter the season of mists, mellow fruitfulness and endless coughs and sneezes, we would be very grateful if you could supply a box of tissues to help us build a stock for the winter.

This is a small way in which you can help us but which adds up to a bigger saving for us as a whole, easing the pressue on our extremely tight budget. Thank you if you are able to help - children can give a box to their teacher or they can be dropped in at the office.

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OPEN EVENTS

FOR ADMISSIONS IN SEPTEMBER 2026

Monday 13th October at 6pm: Open Evening, including Headteacher presentation followed by tours of the school with current pupils.

Group tours of the school during the school day, led by a member of our leadership team, are also available on the following dates:

- Tues 14th October, 9.30am
- Thurs 16th October, 9.15am
- Tues 21st October, 9.30am
- Thurs 23rd October, 9.15am
- Thurs 6th November, 9.15am
- Tues 18th November, 9.30am
- Thurs 20th November, 9.15am

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To book a tour, please scan the QR or visit:
https://signup.com/go/pSFvBHb

(Booking is not required for the Open Evening)