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Autumn Term Academic Year 2013

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Monday 23 rd September	Parent Forum at 7.00pm
Thursday 26 th September	SPSA Meeting at 8.00pm
Friday 27 th September	Y6 Macmillan Coffee afternoon from 2.30pm in the Hall
Sunday 13 th October	Family Harvest Festival 10.00am St Peter's Church
Monday 21 st October - Friday 25 th October	No Clubs due to Parents evening's
Tuesday 22 nd October	Parent Evening
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Friday 25 th October	NON PUPIL DAY - STAFF TRAINING
Sunday 10 th November	Family Service 10.00am, 2.00pm Memorial Service, 2.45pm Church Service
Tuesday 26 th November	Full Governors
Friday 6 th December	Budleigh Late Night Shopping
Wednesday 11 th December	KS1 Xmas church rehearsal
Thursday 12 th December	KS1 Xmas play 10.00am St Peter's Church
Saturday 14 th December	Breakfast with Santa 9.00am St Peter's Church
Monday 16 th - Friday 20 th	No Clubs this week
Tuesday 17 th December	KS2 Xmas rehearsal St Peter's Church all day
Tuesday 17 th December	KS2 Xmas concert 7.00pm St Peter's Church
Thursday 19 th December	9.30am Christmas church service, St Peter's Church
Friday 20 th December	Last day of Autumn Term - 3.30pm School closes for xmas break
Tuesday 7 th January 2014	Start of the Spring Term

Dear Parents/ Carers

Collective Worship

1 Peter 3v12 The eyes of the Lord watch over those who do right, and His ears are open to their prayers

I write to inform you that the Governors are now in the process **of recruiting a new Headteacher** to start either in April, 2014 or September, 2014. An advertisement was placed in the Times Educational Supplement last week - and interviews are scheduled for November. As many of you know, I came out of retirement to be Acting Headteacher at St Peter's in April 2011 following the long term illness of the previous Headteacher, Mrs Roberts. Following her death, I agreed with Governors to remain in post to prepare the school for an OfSTED inspection which took place last term and to give some stability to the school which had undergone a protracted period of change with senior leaders. I should like to assure you all that the time that remains to me as Headteacher will be dedicated to ensuring that the school is in a position for a smooth hand-over. The school is in very good shape and it is hopeful the Governors will have plenty of candidates who will apply for the vacancy.

Mrs Jenkins (currently reception teacher and joint FSU leader plus acting senior leader of the KS1 team) has agreed to be the school's **RE subject leader and co-ordinate the school's collective worship** at St Peter's. This is an important position in a church voluntary aided school. With me she will have joint responsibility in preparing the school for the SIAMS (**Statutory inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools**) which is likely to follow the OFSTED inspection with the coming terms.

Local projects. The school has agreed to be involved in 4 local projects this term.

Project 1 is for all children in KS1 and KS2 - it is a writing competition to support the Budleigh Chamber of Commerce celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Budleigh Salterton **being a place of**

outstanding natural beauty. The children are to write in poetry or prose why their area is special to them.

Project 2 is for children in Year 5 (Drakes and Otterton schools will also participate). Working with the Budleigh Salterton Fine Arts Society a **Budleigh story** will be written over two terms and published in book form. This is an exciting project which will give the children experience to write as authors for a local audience. A local writing mentor will work with all 3 schools to give guidance and continuity throughout the writing project. Godfrey Kent of BUDFAS will lead the project.

Project 3 is for the children in Year 6 and is organised by the Budleigh in Business group led by Mark McGlade and will start on 11th November, Armistice Day. The project focuses on the memories of Budleigh's senior citizens and a **book of memories** will result. Our Year 6 will interview the residents and learn a great deal about the process of gathering information and presenting it in ways that make it enjoyable and accessible for others.

Project 4 is for all children and families. Budleigh is to have its own food bank and the school has been asked to see if we can support it. Details of requirements are yet to be given to me but it has been suggested that children can help by voluntary bringing an item of food into school on a monthly basis. I have been informed that there are a growing number of local families that need our help.

Library book amnesty. This closes on Friday evening and I thank those Parents who have looked for missing books and informed me of the loss or have returned books. Please encourage your children to be responsible in looking after school items. Books are loaned for 10 school days maximum.

Punctuality. A number of children have been coming through the gates after 8:55 whistle since we have returned from the Summer. Please try to ensure your children are on the premises by this time so morning registers can be completed accurately and promptly.

Parent Forum. The first meeting of the Parent Forum takes place on Monday 23rd September at 7pm in the school hall. This is an open meeting, meaning all parents are welcome to attend and contribute to the discussion of the items on the agenda. Parents can request an agenda item for discussion by writing it down and placing it in the parent forum box in the entrance foyer. We hope to see lots of you there.



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon on Friday 27th September

There are currently 2 million people living with cancer in the UK. By 2030 there will be 4 million. Macmillan wants to make sure that they are there for all of them.

On Friday 27th September, Year 6 pupils will be hosting our annual Macmillan Coffee Afternoon in the school hall. Tea, coffee, fruit juice and cakes will be served in our School Hall from 14:30 to 16:30. There will also be a copper coin collection and a number of fundraising stalls. We expect that the event will be very busy between 15:30 and 16:00 to coincide with the end of the school day, so you and your friends might want to consider arriving a little bit earlier in the afternoon.

How much Macmillan time can we create together this year?

Last year, pupils from Year 6 raised a record £309. Our current Year 6 pupils are very keen to break this record!

£25 pays for a Macmillan nurse to support a family affected by cancer for one hour.

£181 could pay for a Macmillan social worker or family support worker for a day, helping people manage the social and practical problems of living with cancer.

£278 could keep Macmillan information and support centre stocked for a month with all the resources it needs to support people affected by cancer.

£370 could pay for the hire of a room for a year so a self-help and support group could hold regular meetings.

Need an extra incentive to support our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon? Come to see our Writing Showcase

Each pupil in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 has produced a short piece of writing or a poem about Budleigh Salterton to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the East Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. At our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon you will have the opportunity to read your child's writing or poem which will be displayed in the school hall.

We look forward to your support.

British Cycling's Breeze

British Cycling's Breeze is the biggest programme ever to get more women into riding bikes for fun.

Their aim to help thousands of women feel confident and comfortable about going on a ride.

While cycling is becoming more and more popular in the UK, the proportion of women getting involved is actually declining. Breeze wants to change that.

Visit <http://www.goskyride.com/Breeze/Index> for all forthcoming events including:

Breeze along the Otter Valley

Sunday 22nd September at 11:00am

Start Point Budleigh Salterton Lime Kiln Car Park

Ride Distance: 15 miles

Event Duration: 2 hrs (Cycling Time 1hr 40 mins)

CYCLEDEVON
Where will you cycle today?



Cycle Devon are offering 250 adults (18+) in Devon the chance to receive a FREE two hour cycle confidence session. They are offered on a first come first served basis, so request your training soon!

The sessions are for everyone who may need a little cycling help. They are delivered by a professional and qualified National Standard Instructor, in a ratio of just 1-1 or 1-2

- Learn to ride a bike from scratch
- Brush up on your skills, maybe to start cycling to work or place of study
- Tips for riding as a family
- An instructor to ride a route with you e.g. your trip to work
- If you haven't been on your bike for a while and need a refresher
- Advice on suitable routes.
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For further details please visit <http://www.cycledevon.info/cycle-training/cycle-training> or ask Mr Lee for a Booking Form.

This offer expires when the 250 places have been taken up or by 31st March 2014, whichever comes sooner.

Mrs Karen Beaver, recently took up this opportunity and has written a few words about her experience:

Don't Be a Dinosaur!

This was how experienced motorists in the 1960's were warned that there had been major changes to the Highway Code. The same is now true for us grown up cyclists. When I took part in an adult bikeability course this summer, it became clear that I was seriously out of date in the way that I approached cycling on the roads.

The course is easily arranged and includes advice on the Highway Code, road safety, the importance of being seen, wearing of helmets and bicycle maintenance. The practical element takes place firstly on a practice course and then out on the roads and cycle paths. It was both useful and fun!

I would highly recommend cycle training to anyone who wants to be sure of keeping up with their own children!

Mrs Karen Beaver

Lunch Bunch Cafe Dinner numbers for week commencing 9/9/13

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Average
66	63	92	63	101	77
Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100

Lunch Bunch News

Last night the government announced it's going to fund free school meals for all five, six and seven year olds in England from next September. For more details you can visit the Children's Food Trust online.

Knitting Club

Mrs Tee and Mrs Harrison will be running Knitting Club again this term. This will run from 12:15pm to 1pm each Thursday. This club is suitable for children in Years 3 – 6. If you would like to join us please come along to the first session on Thursday 19th September. Thank you.

St Peters School Association (SPSA) News

Our first meeting of the new term will be next Thursday 26th September, 8pm in the staff room. In our meetings we discuss how to raise money through event planning.

In the last two years we have planned and contributed to a Centenary ball (adults only), quiz night, Chocolate Bingo, winter and summer fayres, Gala week, non pupil days and cyclethon (to name a few!). This enables the SPSA to fund things for the benefit of the pupils. As always we welcome new members and new ideas. Just turn up on the night or if you prefer e-mail the chair person; Kate Harrison on mrsharry3@yahoo.co.uk with any further queries or to be added to the mailing list.

The meeting will be finished by 9:30pm and any business left to discuss will be done via email, or held over to the next meeting. The SPSA look forward to meeting you!


Best wishes

Malcolm Elliott, Headteacher




Budleigh Salterton Literary Festival

Storytime on Saturday 21st September 9.45am to 10.15am Aimed at under-5's, but all are welcome. No ticket required. (under eights must be accompanied by an adult)



**As part of
Budleigh Salterton Literary
Festival 2013
Budleigh Salterton Library Presents**

**A Prize T-Shirt Painting Event
on
Saturday 21st September 2013
10.30am to 12.00pm
Suitable for 6 - 10 year olds
(Please bring a plain T-shirt or pillowslip
with you)
FREE tickets available from 12th
September
Prizes for best designs
Judging and prize-giving in the Festival
Marquee on the Green in the afternoon.**



(Under 8's must be accompanied by an adult)

Just to let you know that the East Devon District Council Countryside Events Guide is now available – here is a link to the digital copy on the website, it's divided into sections so that it is easier to download.

[Events between 1/10/13 and 16/11/13](#) [Events between 20/11/13 and 1/3/14](#)

Family Sunday at Exeter Phoenix

12 - 12.30 - Storytelling / Free

1.30pm - 4pm - Art Drop in, come along and create your own Hobby Horse / £2 per child

2.15pm - Kinderkino, come along and watch a film in our Black Box / Free

All this and earworms (music for all of the family), we look forward to seeing you there

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