



Newsletter 11



Autumn Term

Dates for the Diary 2012-13

<u>Autumn Term 2012</u>	
Friday 30 th November	SPSA Christmas Fayre 5-7.30pm
Friday 7 th December	Budleigh Late Night Shopping Event - meet at Public Hall
Sunday 9 th December	Family Service at St.Peter's Church 10.00am
Tuesday 11 th December	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 12 th December	FSU/KS1 'Hey Ewe' Dress Rehearsal 10.30am St Peter's Church
Wednesday 12 th December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 14 th December	Christmas Dinner
Thursday 13 th December	KS1 Christmas Performance 10-11am at St.Peter's Church
Tuesday 18 th December	FSU Christmas Party 1.30 - 3.00pm
Tuesday 18 th December	KS2 Christmas Concert rehearsal pm
Tuesday 18 th December	KS2 Christmas Concert at 7pm St.Peter's Church
Wednesday 19 th December	KS2 House Cross Country Event on Budleigh Green pm
Wednesday 19 th December	KS1 Christmas Party pm
Thursday 20 th December	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party pm
Friday 21 st December	Years 5 and 6 Christmas Party pm
Friday 21 st December	End of Autumn Term
Tuesday 8 th January 2013	Start of Spring Term

**Collective Worship
Generosity**

Dear Parent/ Carer



As I sit in my office writing the newsletter for this week I can hear **Year 3 in the Hall acting out Celtic life** in Britain under the Roman occupation. They are handling artefacts (some replicas) of this era and learning new knowledge of this period. They are also in role-play and getting a feel for **Roman life**. I thank the parents for their support in providing costume and accessories to add to the authenticity of the Roman Day, an experience no one will forget.

It is your last few days (Friday being the last) to return a **completed parent questionnaire**. Approximately 18% of parents have returned them so far which is in marked contrast to the 40+% we received last year. Your feedback is vital. Last year we responded to your concerns such as designing new reports to keep you informed of your child's learning and addressing a few concerns about behaviour at the top end of the school. If you are pleased or not with the school, tell us, as your views are invaluable in helping senior leaders and governors seek the future direction of our school. Your suggestions are discussed at Parent Forum with the staff and with governors.

Last week at **Parent Forum** we showed two prototypes of our new webpage designed for parents by parents Alexis Vaughan and Trudie Burne. Parents made many valuable suggestions and the feedback was excellent. Parent Forum is open to all parents and our next meeting will be on **Wednesday 23rd January at 7pm** when we shall be discussing the feedback in the Parent Questionnaire and looking at ideas for the school site and grounds.

On Friday the SPSA will be holding their **Christmas Fayre** and we hope you will come and support the event starting at 5pm. On the following Saturday morning it is also **the Fayre at the Church** starting at 11am. When we return next week on Monday 3rd December we shall be in the period of **Advent** (looking forward to the birth of Jesus and the second coming). **To mark the beginning of the festive season** I have asked the kitchen staff to design a **special star biscuit** to celebrate the occasion which will **be on sale at playtime priced 40p**.

Next week we will be stepping up the **rehearsal periods for the KS1 Nativity and the KS2 Christmas concerts** (Christmas comes early in primary schools). Please remember the procession of St Peter's children and families for **Budleigh's Late Night shopping on the 7th December**. Please complete the slip to confirm that you are participating. Your support is much appreciated. **Collection of children at the end of the day**. I should like to remind parents that they need to take full responsibility for their children at this time. Unlike the morning when staff are out in the playground to meet and greet and generally supervise the play areas this is not possible at the end of the day. Staff are in their classrooms supervising the children leaving and cannot be in two places at once. **Parents need to ensure that children on bikes and scooters do not ride them in the playground. Supervision of pre-school children and those who come from the ECC is the responsibility of parents, they should not be on the climbing equipment or kicking footballs making the collecting areas potentially hazardous.**



Headteacher awards from 25th October, 2012

Age Group	Name , award number and reason	
Foundation	Elijah Edwards 1st- Writing	Benjamin Smith-1st- Writing
Year 1	I mogen Hitchcock 3rd good conduct Brooklyn Richards 3rd Spelling progress progress Samuel Dunnett - Williams 1st -Spelling progress Chelsea Roffey 2nd -writing progress progress Henry Southan 2nd -writing progress progress Ruby Ebsworth 2nd -writing progress Ben Nelson 2 nd - writing progress Brooklyn Richards -4th phonic progress	Alida Sutera 2nd- spelling progress Nathanial James 9th spelling Cameron Birkett 1st -writing Frank Southan 1 st - writing Oliver Roper 3rd -writing progress Ryan Harris-Cotton 4 th - Writing
Year 2	Eva Cassidy 3rd - Spelling progress Gareth Procter 4th -good conduct Gareth Procter - 5th Spelling progress Jamie Eley 4th -Writing poster Scarlett Gibbons 4th- Spelling Oliver Allars 1st- Spelling	Ava Hewett 3rd -spelling progress Jessie Sturgeon 2nd - friendship Stephen Blythe 4th - Spelling Robin Squires 1st - Spelling
Year 3	Alex James 7th - Poetry Maddie Kamester 3 rd - Poetry Kieran McGagh 1st -Poetry Spelling/Reading Grace Gillingham 5 th - Poetry learning Bethany Browring 2nd-extra Home-learning	Chloe Annan 4th Poetry Leo Gray 4th -Poetry Faith Holder 1st - Millie Hardman 9th-extra home-
Year 4	Sam Gore 1st -Mathematics History Oscar Gillies 2nd -History Lewis Marsden- Swain 2nd -Science	Esme Kilburn -Thompson 4th Jude Levi 3rd - Science Phoebe Woodthorpe -3rd History

	Jaykob White 2nd -Spelling/Reading Subtraction Freddie Squire 2nd - Homelearning.	Phoebe Woodthorpe 4 th -
Year 5	Toby McGauley 2 nd - Friendship Ffion Morgan 8th -Poetry Poetry Rhys McGauley 3rd- I ndependent home-learning Rory Craib 7th -Mathematics Ffion Morgan 9 th - Reading in church service Annabelle Moger-Taylor 6th - Reading in church service Ffion Morgan 10 th - Mathematics Joe Tozer 4th - Handwriting Bechan Wills- Dixon 6th - Writing Handwriting Lauren May 3rd - Neatness/Presentation Liam Whiteman 3rd -Handwriting Poetry Rhys McGauley 4th -Handwriting	Lewis Hillier 3rd - Friendship Annabelle Moger-Taylor 5th Joe Tozer 3 rd - Mathematics Harry Yondal 3rd -Handwriting Jon Dobel 2nd -Handwriting I sabelle Williams 3rd - Dylan Owens 2 nd - Handwriting Ffion Morgan 11th -Shape
Year 6	Tess Gebbie 3rd - English Jack Crowhurst 3rd - French Mathematics Hollie Coates 3rd- English home-learning Evie Kilburn- Thompson 5th- English Ben Lightfoot-Page 5th - Poetry research	Theo Burne 9th -Mathematics Redman Preston 5th Ben Hushon 3 rd - English Katherine Mitchell 2nd- Poetry Joe Blythe 2nd- independent

Star of the week

Date	Name	Class and teacher
Week ending 27.10.12	Molly Harrison	Year 6 Mr Lee
Week ending 09.11.12	Ben Nelson	Year1 Mrs Cawthera/ Mrs Stubbs
Week ending 16.11.12	Maybel Gillingham	Year 1/2 Miss Hume
Week ending 23.11.12	Oliver Allars.	Year 2 Mrs Moore/ Mrs Harrison

Bygones

This term, as part of our learning into Victorian life, KS1 children visited Bygones in Torquay. On arrival all of the children were dressed in role as poor Victorian children with the girls wearing pinafores and mop hats and the boys wearing waistcoats and caps. We were then transported back in time as we entered the Victorian high street with shops crammed full of Victorian artefacts. Our knowledgeable guides brought the past alive, explaining what life was like and answering our many questions. We were lucky enough to get to look inside some of the shops, the toy shop and sweet shop were of particular interest!

We then got to explore upstairs where each of the rooms from a Victorian home was represented, again crammed with items from the past. Lighting, sounds and smells all added to the experience and children gained a good understanding of what Victorian life was like. A wonderful visit ended well with a play on the full size steam train.

Can you help us?

We desperately need volunteers to help to accompany the children down to and back from St. Peter's Church for our KS1 dress rehearsal and KS1 performance of 'Hey Ewe'. The KS1 dress rehearsal is on Wednesday 12th December. We will be leaving school at 9.50am to walk down to the dress rehearsal and will then return to school at approximately 11.10am. On Thursday 13th December we will be leaving school at 9.20am and will then return to school at 10.45am. If you are able to help out for any of these, then please let Mrs Lewis or your child's class teacher know. Thank you!

Christmas Fayre, This Friday, 30th Nov 2012, 5-7.30pm, at St Peter's School

We look forward to welcoming, Children, Mums, Dads, Aunts, Uncles, Grandmas, Grandads, Friends and all other Christmas Shoppers!

We are delighted to be hosting tables for an exciting array of stall holders, face painting, crafts and games offering you a fabulous Christmas shopping experience!

Our café will be serving home-made soup, wedges, mince pies as well as the usual hot and cold drinks.

We will also have a stall where the children can purchase presents for their family and friends and have them all gift wrapped in preparation for the big day, so don't let your children forget their pocket money!

The Raffle will be drawn during the evening, so please make sure that you have your contact details on the back of the ticket.

And of course, Santa's Grotto!

A fun festive night to be enjoyed by all the family! We look forward to seeing you there!

Organised by SPSA St Peter's School Association 'Committed to raising funds to support St Peter's Children'.



Christmas Fayre - raffle tickets

The raffle will be taking place at the Christmas Fayre on November 30th. We have some brilliant prizes again this year. Please return your tickets by Thursday 29th November if you would like to take part. Thank you.

Attention all Cake Bakers!

Please could you, or someone you know, make a cake for us to sell at the Christmas Fayre on Friday 30th November? We would love to sell your delicious home-made cakes for people to buy and take home. We will be collecting your cakes on the stage in the playground at pick up time on Friday 30th November.



Santa Hats for Sale

For those children attending the procession in Budleigh Salterton on Friday 7th December for the late night shopping, if you do not already have a Santa hat at home to wear, the SPSA will be selling them at the Christmas Fayre, on Friday 30th November for £1 each.

Second Hand School Uniform

Second hand school uniform will be available for sale at the School Christmas Fayre this Friday. This is available on a voluntary contribution basis.

Sportshall Athletics



On Wednesday 21st November, 12 pupils represented St Peter's Church of England Primary School in the Exmouth Sportshall Athletics event at Exmouth Community College. The team event included: speed bounce, standing long jump, chest push, 2 lap sprint races, 1 lap sprint races and a team relay.

The team performed very well and finished in 3rd place overall, narrowly missing out on qualification for the East

Devon Sportshall Athletics finals.

One member of our team, Lukas White, performed exceptionally well and his running performances caught the attention of Mr Miller of Exmouth Community College.

Using ICT to support Home Learning:

Education City

Please enjoy using Education City to further develop your English and Maths skills.

Our username: 878stpetersprimary

Password: 695939

Grid Club

We have renewed our Grid Club membership. This is a wonderful learning resource that enables children to participate in a wealth of activities that cover lots of curriculum areas. We apologise as the wrong username and password went out in a recent newsletter.

Our log in details are:

Username: stp900

Password: ex96qf

Swimtime Badge

If parents would like to order ASA Swimming Badges, please return forms Friday 30th November and no later.

Scholastic Book Club

A reminder that Friday 30th November is the deadline for returning any scholastic book order forms.



How do I qualify for Free School Meals?

For more information please see last week's newsletter or call this helpline number 08451551019.

Application forms for free school meals are in the main entrance foyer.

If you have recently become unemployed but are still receiving Working Tax Credits, you **may** be entitled to Free School Meals for a four week period only, please call us on **0845 155 1019** for advice.

Lunch Bunch Café

School Dinners -numbers of school dinners last week.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Average
Actual meals taken	74	82	100	67	106	85.8
School's meals target	100	100	100	100	100	100

We are still taking Christmas dinner orders, please return booking forms to the office.

Current Vacancies at St Peters School

We are currently advertising for two meal time assistants. One vacancy to cover five lunchtimes a week and the other vacancy to cover on Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays. Please call into the office for an application form.

Found - A purse with hearts on - please call into the school office if it is yours.

Community News



Breakfast with Santa

Breakfast with Santa is on Saturday 8th December 9.30am-11.00am at St Peter's Hall. Tickets are £2.50 each and available from the school office.

Christmas treasure hunt
Saturday 8th December 2012

Pick up your treasure hunt clue sheets from **Ocean House Café between 2pm and 3pm** for all the family £4 a team*

Hand your answers back in at the Feathers Hotel by 4.30pm
 Join us for some festive cheer and free treats for the kids!
 Winners announced at 5pm

PRIZES for the winning team and runners up
WIN Christmas chocolate and bubbly!

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We are Budleigh Salterton F.C. a football club based in Budleigh Salterton, Devon, England. The club plays in the South West Peninsula League Division One East.

Forth coming fixtures at Greenway Lane Budleigh Salterton

Date	Home		Away	Kick off
17/11/12	Budleigh 1 st Team	V	Exeter University	3pm
1/12/12	Budleigh 1 st Team	V	Exeter Civil Service	3pm (Cup)
8/12/12	Budleigh 1 st Team	V	Alphington	3pm
15/12/12	Budleigh 1 st Team	V	Appledore	3pm
5/01/13	Budleigh 1 st Team	V	Crediton United	3pm
12/01/13	Budleigh 1 st Team	V	Stoke Gabriel	3pm
19/01/13	Budleigh 1 st Team	V	Axminster Town	3pm

We are very keen to welcome young people and their families to come and watch local football at Budleigh Salterton FC. Adults entrance fee.....£3.00

Children Go Free!

Please support your local football club!

For more information please visit our website.

<http://www.clubwebsite.co.uk/budleighsaltertonfootballclub/Home>

Exmouth Dolphins

Football Club & Coaching Sessions for Children with Disabilities



All Abilities Welcome!!

Suitable for boys and girls age 8 – 16, with learning, sensory or physical* impairments

Exeter Dolphins is a friendly football club running coaching sessions for children with learning, sensory or physical disabilities. Run in partnership by Exeter City Football in the Community, Exmouth Community College and South Dartmoor School Sport Partnership, the club provides coaching sessions and new players are very welcome.

(*Note: excludes wheelchair users; Exeter City run a wheelchair football club & please ask for details)

**SATURDAYS
12.00 – 1.00pm**

**Exmouth Community College
(Astroturf / Sports Hall)
Gipsy Lane, Exmouth, EX8
3AF**

For more information please contact Dai Carpenter, Devon County Football Association on 07912 089838 or email david.carpenter@devonfa.com

2012 Dates: 17th, 24th November / 1st, 8th, 15th December

Football Coaching for Boys & Girls age 8-16 with disabilities is from 12.00 – 1.00pm at Exmouth Community College on each of these dates, cost £2 per player.

Budleigh Late Night Shopping Event 2012

My child.....in Year.....will be taking part in the Budleigh Late Night Shopping Event.

() I understand that I will be responsible for my child at all times

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SignedDate.....

Latest information on attendance from our Educational Welfare Officer (EWO)

Attendance at School A quick guide for Parents and Carers

Absence during term time FAQs

Q Can I take my child out of school for a holiday because it's much cheaper?

A The law does not grant parents an automatic right to take their child out of school for holidays during term time. However the Headteacher has the authority to sanction absence for a family holiday of up to 10 days. *Please do not request a holiday and then take your child out of school early on the day preceding your holiday – all absence must be applied for and authorised in the proper way.*

Q If I need to take my child out of school early as I cannot collect at 3.30pm is this okay?

A No, children need to complete a full day in school and **only in very exceptional circumstances may the Headteacher authorise this**

Q What are acceptable reasons for my child to be absent in the school day apart from sickness?

A There are some reasons when an absence is acceptable:

- ❖ External exams such as ballet or music
- ❖ Compassionate leave for a funeral
- ❖ Year 6 children to visit their next school

All of these must be approved by the Headteacher in advance



Please note that EMERGENCY dental and optician appointments are acceptable, but routine check ups should be done in the school holidays

What if a child is ill?

If your child is ill you need to phone the school office by 9.30am to let us know 01392 874583 – this is the Education Welfare Officer's rule and if you do not contact the school, it means that the office has to phone you.

If your child has vomiting or diarrhoea **they must remain absent from school until at least 48 hours from the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea.** This is important as it helps prevent the spread of the sickness bug.

Children do not need time off school for mild colds, coughs and sneezes Children should not be kept off school for tiredness – bedtimes may need reviewing! If you need guidance about exclusion periods for minor childhood illnesses e.g. chickenpox, conjunctivitis etc please contact the school office who will be able to help

Why do children need to be in school regularly?

- ❖ so that they don't miss any lessons
- ❖ to maximise their learning

- ❖ to make sure they will be able to do the best they can in exams
- ❖ to learn to socialise with their peers
- ❖ Because it's the law!

What happens when children miss school?

- ❖ They miss lessons and crucial information
- ❖ They will fall behind with their work
- ❖ They may miss interesting activities that the class does follow up work on
- ❖ They may become isolated from their peer group
- ❖ They let down their classmates who may be working with them
- ❖ The Education Welfare Officer may become involved (85% attendance or less will trigger an enquiry by the EWO)

What about the Weather?

The school will only be closed in the event of extreme weather

Children should not stay off school because of the weather unless the school is closed

Children should not take a 'snow day' unless the school is closed!

Meet Billy



Billy has 90% attendance at school. Sounds pretty good doesn't it?

90% ATTENDANCE = ½ DAY MISSED EVERY WEEK!

1 school year at 90% = 4 WHOLE WEEKS OF
LESSONS MISSED!

Billy's learning and achievement will be affected