



Newsletter 16

Spring Term Academic Year 2014

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Wednesday 15 th January	FSU Stay & Play 9.00am – 10.00am and 2.00pm – 3.00pm
Thursday 16 th January	Year 5/6 Swimming Gala 1.00pm - 3.00pm
Thursday 16 th January	SPSA Meeting 8.00pm – 9.30pm
Thursday 16 th January	Messy Church – The Peter Hall, Budleigh 3.30pm
Monday 20 th January	Parent Forum 7pm
Monday 20 th January	Y6 Primary Science at ECC
Tuesday 21 st January	Year 5/6 Dance Festival
Friday 24 th January	Year 6 ECFC Football Tournament
Wednesday 29 th January	East Devon Year 5/6 Athletics Finals
Wednesday 5 th February	Stockland Cross Country
Thursday 6 th February	Early Numeracy Evening for Parents 7.00pm – 8.00pm
Wednesday 12 th February	KS2 Cross Country
Thursday 13 th February	Messy Church – The Peter Hall, Budleigh.
Friday 14 th February	British Heart Foundation - Whole School Skipping/Dodgeball
Monday 17 th February to Friday 21 st February	HALF TERM

Collective Worship
 A voice from heaven said 'This is my son, the one I love. I am pleased with him' Matthew 7v17

Dear Parent/Carer

There seems to be a very positive and purposeful feel about the school during our first full week of 2014 and lots of excellent activity in school. It has been great to see lots of children trying new lunchtime and after school clubs. If you forgot to sign up, it's not too late, there are still some places left. Visit the office to add your children to the lists. Thank you to all those families who joined us at St Peter's Church on Sunday for the Family Service, which was lovely. I apologise that last week's newsletter had some errors within the diary dates. Thank you to those who made us aware so we could correct the errors. I would like congratulate the FSU staff on another excellent 'Stay and Play' day today in which we welcomed many parents to engage in activity with their children.

Within this newsletter is published the results of the Parent Questionnaire conducted in November 2013. As I collate the responses, I would like to thank everyone who returned a questionnaire to us. I assure you I do spend hours collating and analysing the data and your comments are considered at length by the school. This will be the only agenda item for discussion at our Parent Forum meeting on Monday 20th January at 7pm which all parents are welcome to attend. There we will share more comprehensive analysis and discuss ways to improve elements of the school identified. We hope also that we may have some new parents join us at the first SPSA meeting of 2014 at 8pm in the staffroom tomorrow evening.

Don't forget to follow the school on Twitter for immediate news and updates. **@BudleighStP** The feed can also be viewed on the school website. Why not also follow and interact with our digital prayer tree ran by our Y6 class **@PrayerTreeStP**

Mr Perkins

School Census Thursday tomorrow

Additional funding to school for service children and adopted children

If either parent is in the **armed services** or if your child is **adopted** from care please make sure that the staff in the school office know. Tomorrow we have to complete a school census and this information needs to be included if the school is to receive the additional £300 Service Premium for each service child and £1,900 Pupil Premium for each adopted child.

Information about how the school uses the Pupil Premium funding can be found on the school website.

The school receives Pupil Premium for all children who are entitled to **Free School Meals** (whether or not they have school dinners). If you think your children may be entitled and have not yet registered please do so as soon as possible

Mrs Day

Sainsbury's Active Kids 2014

Active Kids vouchers are available to collect from all Sainsbury's stores, petrol stations and when ordering groceries online between 29th January 2014 and Tuesday 20th May 2014.

Active Kids vouchers can be used by St Peter's Church of England Primary School to purchase Early Years active equipment, cooking equipment, ingredients for cooking, gardening equipment and PE equipment.

Do you know anyone else who shops at Sainsbury's? Ask your family, friends and work colleagues whether they would be willing to donate their vouchers to St Peter's Church of England Primary School.

The voucher donation box is placed in the school entrance

Mr Lee

Parent Questionnaire

2013 saw the largest number of responses we have had in 3 years with 133 returned. This is 66% (last year was 57%). We also had a record number of comments, with many parents submitting detailed comments on additional paper. These have been excellent source material for school leaders to consider. Ofsted guidelines suggest that there is only an issue if a general agreement does not reach 85%.

Below are 3 tables of data:

Table one is the 'raw' data per statement.

Table two is the composite of agreement and disagreement by percentage and ranked from most to least agreed to.

Table 3 contains statements ranked by percentage swing from last year's questionnaire.

	OVERALL TOTALS	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1	My child likes school	67	62	4		
2	My child is making good progress	49	77	4		3
3	Children behave well at the school	45	79	3		7
4	My child is not bullied at school	54	66	7		6
5	Teaching is of a good quality	57	67			9
6	I am kept well informed about how my child is doing at school	40	73	16		6
7	The church ethos and values are strong at the school	71	59	1		2
8	Teachers expect my child to always do their best	60	71	2		4
9	My child is treated fairly	53	67	8		5
10	The school seeks the views of parents takes account of their concerns and suggestions	55	70	6		9
11	The school explains well how I can help my child at home	46	71	12		4
12	As a parent, I engage in most opportunities the school provides to understand and support my child's learning	51	78	3		1
13	Homelearning set is appropriate for my child	41	66	15	1	6
14	There is a range of opportunities and activities the school offers for my child	65	60	5		2
15	The arrangements and support provided when my child started school were good	76	53			3
16	The school is led and managed effectively by school leaders	60	64	1		7

	COMPOSTIE PERCENTAGES SORTED BY AGREEMENT	Strongly agree Agree	Disagree Strongly disagree	Don't know
15	The arrangements and support provided when my child started school were good	98%		2%
1	My child likes school	97%	3%	
7	The church ethos and values are strong at the school	97%	1%	2%
12	As a parent, I engage in most opportunities the school provides to understand and support my child's learning	97%	2%	1%
8	Teachers expect my child to always do their best	96%	1%	3%
2	My child is making good progress	95%	3%	2%
14	There is a range of opportunities and activities the school offers for my child	94%	4%	2%
16	The school is led and managed effectively by school leaders	94%	1%	5%
3	Children behave well at the school	93%	2%	5%
5	Teaching is of a good quality	93%		7%
4	My child is not bullied at school	91%	5%	4%
9	My child is treated fairly	90%	6%	4%
10	The school seeks the views of parents takes account of their concerns and suggestions	90%	4%	6%
11	The school explains well how I can help my child at home	88%	9%	3%
6	I am kept well informed about how my child is doing at school	84%	12%	4%
13	Homelearning set is appropriate for my child	83%	12%	5%

	COMPARATIVE PERCENTAGES	Strongly agree Agree	Last year's percentage	Swing
15	The arrangements and support provided when my child started school were good	98%	91%	7
2	My child is making good progress	95%	90%	5
8	Teachers expect my child to always do their best	96%	91%	5
1	My child likes school	97%	94%	3
4	My child is not bullied at school	91%	88%	3
16	The school is led and managed effectively by school leaders	94%	91%	3
9	My child is treated fairly	90%	89%	1
10	The school seeks the views of parents takes account of their concerns and suggestions	90%	89%	1
7	The church ethos and values are strong at the school	97%	97%	0
3	Children behave well at the school	93%	94%	-1
6	I am kept well informed about how my child is doing at school	84%	85%	-1
5	Teaching is of a good quality	93%	95%	-2
11	The school explains well how I can help my child at home	88%	92%	-4
13	Homelearning set is appropriate for my child	83%	88%	-5
14	There is a range of opportunities and activities the school offers for my child	94%	100%	-6
12	As a parent, I engage in most opportunities the school provides to understand and support my child's learning	97%	Added this year	N/A

We are once again pleased with the results of the questionnaire. It shows that we are doing well in a lot of areas, but there are still many things to continue to improve on. Children enjoy school, expectations are high, progress is good, behaviour and teaching is perceived to be improving, leadership and management is good and the church ethos is strong. Responses to our additional statement shows 97% of parents feel they take advantage of all opportunities the school has to offer which is very positive. Many comments speak of the 'good atmosphere' and 'purposeful direction' of the school and praise the range of opportunities given to children along with the 'extra mile' school staff go to for children.

Responses and comments suggest the areas in which we can continue to improve are; informing you how your children are progressing at school, explaining how you can help them, seeking your views in a range of ways and ensuring homelearning is appropriate for all children.

As mentioned above, further analysis and discussion of these areas will be shared at Parent forum on Monday 20th January at 7pm.

Mr Perkins

Knitting Club KS2 - Thursday lunchtimes

Knitting Club starts tomorrow lunchtime in the Year 2 classroom. If your child is in KS2 (years 3, 4, 5, 6) and is interested in joining this club please tell them to go to Year 2 at 12.30pm.

Lunch Bunch Cafe Dinner numbers for week commencing 06/01/2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Average
Inset day	89	93	78	123	95.7
Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100

SPSA News

Date for the Diary: SPSA Meeting Thursday 16th January 8pm

All welcome to join us at our next SPSA meeting on Thursday 16th January at 8pm. During the evening we will discuss how to help raise extra funds for our school. Any new ideas or people would be welcomed.

Alcoa Project

40 Solar Panels have been installed, which have a maxim output of 10kwh.



The Science garden is taking shape



Community News

Messy Church is on tomorrow from 3.30pm, St Peter Hall, Budleigh Salterton. New members are very welcome. For more information please call Tricia on 01395 445814 or Sally 443420.