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Spring Term Academic Year 2014

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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 7.15pm – 8.15pm
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
Thursday 27 th February	Year 3 Roman Day
Friday 28 th February	Year 5/6 Sportshall Athletics finals

Collective Worship
John chapter 1 verse 29-42
Wisdom will help you follow
the example of good people
and stay on the right path.
Proverbs 2v20

Dear Parent/Carer

Since the last newsletter we have had two meetings which reflect the collaborative nature and community focus of the school. The SPSA held a well attended meeting last Thursday in which they agreed to fund and support the work of the school and enrich provision for your children in a range of ways. The money which is raised and spent by the SPSA makes a real difference and we thank them for all their hard work. Please see their newsletter below for more details. I am sure they would welcome new faces to their extra meeting this evening (8pm at school) to discuss the Swimathon for our swimming pool fund via Warmwish. On Monday we held a very engaging Parent Forum where the results of the parent questionnaire were discussed. We now have some excellent suggestions to take forward and discuss as a school. I thank those who gave up their time to contribute to the development of the school and encourage all parents to come to a meeting to see what it is like. Those who attend will tell you it isn't that scary! The minutes can be found on the school website.

Gate access for bikes and scooters

One of the subjects discussed via the parent forum suggestion box in the foyer was the congestion at the gates in the morning. Many more children are scooting

and cycling to school which is fantastic, but does create a lot of 'traffic' through small entrances. From Monday 27th January we will be trialling the opening of the main car park gate in the morning from 8:45 to 8:55. This will be the entrance for all children who come to school via a scooter or a cycle. This allows easy access to the bike and scooter storage and frees the pedestrian gates for those walking and with buggies. It will also ensure no children are cycling or scooting across the playground at busy times. The gate will not be opened at the end of school as congestion is less at this time. I hope you will support us in this arrangement and we will review it at the end of the week.

Education City

Parental feedback suggests that parents need reminding of the use and the login details of the Education City which we pay for as a school to support learning in English and Maths via ICT. The SPSA will donate £129 per year towards the cost. Simply go to www.educationcity.com and login by giving **username: 878stpetersprimary** and **password: 695939**

This will then get you to all the resources for every year group in English and Maths and also the play live arena. Play live allows children to test their spelling and times tables against people from all over the country and generates a league table and a ranking of our school across the whole of Devon (we are currently 2nd!). If you have any questions about accessing these excellent resources then please do come and chat to me.

Mr Perkins

Early Numeracy Evening

Early Numeracy Evening - FSU staff are holding an evening to explore how Numeracy is taught in the Early Years. After a very popular Early Literacy evening we hope to see lots of faces there! It is on Thursday 6th March from 7.15pm until 8.15pm. This event is open to all parents, regardless of whether you come to the school so tell a friend! If any parents would like to put a flyer up to advertise please see the School Office.

The START rhyme time project will be running again on Tuesday 11th March and Tuesday 18th March from 2.45 - 3.25pm for any parents of the school to bring their 0-5yr olds to. This is led by Cara Stratford from the Children's Centre and will be held in the Nursery. Please sign up at the school office so that we can cater for numbers for this event. Any questions please see Mrs Broad.

Mrs Broad

Digital Prayer Tree: Please follow @PrayerTreeStP on Twitter

Each week Year 6 pupils write prayers or ask for prayers to be said which have a particular focus (e.g. prayers for an individual or prayers relating to current affairs).

Some of these prayers are displayed in our classroom on our prayer tree, whilst others prayers are added to our digital prayer tree via Twitter.

The tweets are shared with our Twitter followers and are also displayed on the Year 6 webpage: <http://classes.st-peters-school.org.uk/welcome-to-year-6.html>

Interestingly many Year 6 pupils are now following @PrayerTreeStP and reading each other's prayers!

Mr Lee

Lunch Bunch Cafe Dinner numbers for week commencing 13/01/2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Average
76	97	106	52	139	94
Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100



Special 'Chinese New Year' The year of the horse.
Join us to celebrate on Friday 31st January

Sweet & Sour Chicken & Vegetables
Served with Egg Fried Rice and Vegetable Noodles
Prawn Cracker
&
Ice Cream with Mango

Please note that Fish and Chips will be served on Thursday 30th January.

Snack Trolley

Snack Trolley - various items are sold each morning break. Fruit bowls, toasted teacakes, cheese muffins, hot chocolate (when the weather is cold) and cartons of flavoured water. Prices start from 30p.

Mrs Smith

Casual staff for the school kitchen needed

We are looking for a number of people who can be trained up, to provide a bank of staff who can be called upon to work at short-notice as kitchen assistants when our staff are absent on sick-leave.

If you are interested please speak to Mrs Trapnell in the school office or to Mrs Smith, the kitchen manager. The rate of pay is £6.45 per hour and work is normally for approximately 4 hours in the mornings only.

Mrs Day

SPSA News

Bag2School Collection in February

Following the success from the previous Bag2School collection we have organised another textile collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for the SPSA. By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, bags, soft toys, curtains and bedding (not duvets or pillows). We will receive £500 per tonne or £0.50/kg which will be a great boost for our fund-raising. In addition it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse. Look out for the Bag2School in your child's book bag.

SPSA

SPSA Newsletter

St Peter's Primary School, Budleigh Salterton

January 2014



Welcome to the all new St Peter's School Association newsletter.

We're a group of parents and teachers that raise money and organise community events for our lovely school. We want to keep you informed of what's coming up this term plus let you know where the money that you donate goes.

Where the money raised goes:

These requests came up at the last meeting:

- **WOW!** 6 New Chrome Books!
- Working together with Mr Lee. Money received from; the Bike-athon in July 2012, thanks to the hard work of Lorraine Ralph with the Fryer Trust. And the money left from Chris Ralph for the school. We are funding Super New cycle pods (storage) for bikes and scooters.
- £129 from SPSA goes towards paying for Education City. Check out the website and see the newsletter for log-in details. www.educationcity.com
- £1000 paid for Nursery furniture and £500 from the Fryer trust, once again with the efforts of Lorraine Ralph setting up a meeting and asking for funding. Thank you Lorraine and the Fryer Trust!
- **£50** - Is being put to each class towards the cost of School Trips.

Look out for the Bags2school Collection

They will be in school book bags soon!

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Thank you for your support—can you help too?

We have a great team of volunteers and support from the teachers and parents at St Peter's School. Thank you to all who contribute. If you would like to be put on the mailing list for more info or would like to help in any way then please e-mail us (contact details on the right). You don't have to attend the meetings!! Any help is always appreciated...for example volunteering to assist at one of the events on the right. Thanks!

Keep informed—take a look at our website: <http://www.st-peters-school.org.uk/spsa.html>
Follow us and Like us on facebook!—www.facebook.com/SPSABudleigh

New Chair Person

SPSA Chairperson— Gemma Billings (below) —chaired her first meeting last Thursday 16th January. The evening went really well with a good turn out and lots of funding ideas. You can see below the items we spent money on.

Gemma is very much looking forward to the up and coming events in 2014 school year.



The Vice-Chair this year is Ruth Cheeseman, Secretary is Donna Hitchcock, with Lorraine Ralph the Treasurer.



EducationCity



What's going on soon?

January

Friday 31st, 3:20-3:45
Second Hand Uniform Sale—Music Room.
Stock up on School clothes! Purchase by donation.

February

Friday 14th 9am School Hall—**Coffee Morning**
For parents, grandparents and little ones too!
Bake Sale 3:30pm—on the stage
Year 4 will be doing the Bake Sale on the last Friday before half term.
Tuesday 25th
Bags2School will be collected.

March

Thursday 6th
SPSA Meeting 8pm
school staff room—All Welcome.
Friday 28th—School Hall
Chocolate Bingo. Well liked Family Event.

April

Sunday 27th April
Swimathon—money raised will go towards the swimming pool roof!

May

Saturday 24th May
Gala week Fete on the green and disco in the evening (with Drakes and Otterton school)

Contact details:

Chair - Gemma Billings
g3m5@hotmail.co.uk

Secretary—Donna Hitchcock
dannahitchy@gmail.com

Or ask in the school office

Community News

Early Numeracy Evening Thursday 6th February 7.15pm – 8.15pm

This event is open to all parents, regardless of whether or not you come to the school, please call the school office to book a place, telephone number 01395 443167.



St. Peter's C of E Primary School FSU



Contact us on 01395 443167 to book a place or email us at admin@stpeters-hudleigh.devon.sc.nhs.uk. You can also visit our website for more information - <http://www.st-peters-school.org.uk/>

Have you got a child aged 3-5? Do you want to come and see how Numeracy is taught in the Early Years?

EARLY NUMERACY

Thursday 6th February 2014
7.15pm – 8.15pm

