



## Newsletter 21




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### Spring Term Academic Year 2014

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Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>SPSA Super Swimathon Meeting - 8pm school staff room</b>
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 3 Roman Day
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	SPSA Second hand uniform sale 3.30pm - music room
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole School Cross Country
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	FSU Pancake event 2.00pm-3.00pm
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	FSU Family Fun Day Out
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	SPSA meeting 8.00am-9.30pm
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Service 10.00am - 11.30am St Peters Church
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	FSU START meeting 9.15am - 10.00am (new time)
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimming restarts
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	National Science and Engineering Week
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	FSU Parent Evening 3.00pm - 4.00pm
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	FSU START meeting 9.15am - 10.00am (new time)
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	FSU Parent's Introduction to school meeting 3.45-4.45pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	FSU Parents Evening 3.00pm-6.00pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	SPSA Cake sale 3.30pm in the playground
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	SPSA Swimathon 5.00pm-7.00pm Exmouth Leisure Centre

Dear Parent/Carer

**Collective Worship**

Don't worry, because your Father in heaven knows what you need. Matthew 6v32

A warm welcome back to you all and I hope you survived the weather and had a relaxing and enjoyable half term. Spring is definitely in the air and officially begins when Mr Lee publishes the swimming timetable for the year which is in this newsletter! Please do read this information carefully. Speaking of swimming, you will know that Warmwish are raising money for the renovation of the pool. Please do get involved with our Swimathon - information can also be found in this newsletter.

This week saw the closing date for applications for the new Headteacher of St Peter's. The selection panel will now shortlist and invite candidates to interview in March.

Well done to everyone for remembering the 'gates system' with scooters and bikes coming in the old car park entrance.

Clubs have started this week with the addition of KS1 drama club on a Tuesday with Mrs Stubbs and a Craft Club starting next week with our University of Plymouth Trainee Miss Parkin. We are proud of the range of clubs we offer here, but can I take this opportunity to remind parents that after school clubs can be inconsistent and cancelled at short notice due to diary clashes, variable weather and teacher availability. School staff do not get paid for the additional time they give for clubs. As much notice of cancellation is given as possible. Please do look at boards, see the twitter feed on the website, look at texts or phone the information line which is updated daily. Due to this inconsistency please be aware that after school clubs cannot be relied upon as childcare such as an external provider could offer.

Mr Perkins



### **Otter Music Collective - free music club at St Peter's**

Just before half term I found out that I had been successful in applying for music funding in order to offer free ensemble and group music - making opportunities after school at St Peter's for children of all local schools. This has heralded the creation of the **Otter Music Collective**. Children can come to the **school hall at 4.00pm-5.00pm on Wednesday** to play a range of music and different instruments with Mr Pearson. This is for all children regardless of whether they have an instrument or have had any lessons on an instrument. This will start next Wednesday (5th March). In time other singing groups, string groups and others will be offered as part of the collective's provision. If you have any questions please see me.

Mr Perkins

## **British Hearth Foundation Fundraising Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February**

Since the poor weather scuppered the KS2 Dodgeball festival before half term we will find a suitable time to schedule it during favourable weather. KS1 children and staff did a fantastic job of completing the skipathon in the hall during the afternoon so well done to everyone!

Mr Perkins

## **Foundation News**

A time change for the START project in FSU on 11th and 18th March - instead of 2.45 - 3.30 it will now be held from 9.15 - 10am. All under 4's welcome.



FSU are learning about reusing and recycling after half term. We need lots of bottle tops, from juice cartons, bottled drinks, milk bottles etc to make our amazing bottle top pictures. We also need tubes and bottles. If you can collect any that you use over the holidays and bring them washed and clean down to FSU we would be very grateful!

Mrs Broad

## **St Peters School Super Swimathon**

As you will be aware the school swimming pool roof is need of replacement, and in order to assist with fund raising the SPSA are organising a Super Swimathon at Exmouth Leisure Centre on Sunday 27th April. Children will be receiving details in their book bags this week.

So what is a swimathon? It is a team event and will need at least a minimum of 5 people in your team up to a maximum of 10. Each team will swim for 55 minutes with only one person swimming at once, usually for one length at a time and for as many lengths that they can manage.

All swimmers must be able to swim at least 25 metres competently, but bear in mind this is a relay event so you will need to be a strong swimmer. We will therefore be primarily targeting teams of adults but that doesn't exclude teams of children or family teams participating. Swimmers will be expected to raise sponsorship and therefore sponsorship forms will be provided, along with an on-line Just Giving account

that has been set up for the event.

The event is all about fun and raising money for the school pool, although there will be local bragging rights to the team that completes the most number of lengths! Just imagine.... if each swimmer can aim to raise at least £40 from sponsorship, that will be a minimum of £200 per a team. The overall target for fund raising for the Pool roof is over £35,000 so this will be just the start for the Warm Wish fund raising effort.

Entry forms will be available from school reception, as from Friday 28th February, and entries will be accepted on a first come basis, as we have the pool booked for two sessions from 5pm -7pm.

If you require further details regarding entry can be obtained from Marcus Allen [marcusdallen@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:marcusdallen@hotmail.co.uk)

Good luck and it is time to get training.

Mr Allen

**Please look out for the flyer regarding swimathon in book bags today!**

### **Multiskills Club**

Unfortunately, I am unable to host Multiskills on Friday 28th February 2014 due to a meeting with Plymouth University student teachers which cannot be rescheduled.

The next Multiskills will be on Friday 7th March.

Please accept my apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Mr Lee

### **Craft Club**

Craft Club will be run by Miss Parkin in the Year 2 classroom every Tuesday lunchtime (12:30 after early lunch) for 4 weeks from Tuesday 4th March. Come along to make some lovely crafts to take home! All Key Stages welcome.

### **SPSA News**

#### **New Chair and Two Vice Chairs**

The SPSA had a successful meeting on the Thursday before half term. Jenny Doble is the new Chairperson, whilst Ruth Cheeseman and Jenny Wood are Co Vice Chairpersons. Thank you to all involved with the meeting a positive outcome was had.

**SPSA Meeting - Thursday 6th March - 8pm - School Staff Room**

Our next meeting is going to be next Thursday to discuss fundraising events and fundraising requests. Open to all new faces. If you can't attend the meeting but would like to be added to the e-mail list then please e-mail [spsa.budleighsalterton@gmail.com](mailto:spsa.budleighsalterton@gmail.com)

**Super Swimathon Meeting - Wednesday 26th February - 8pm - School Staff Room**

As you may be aware the SPSA are organising a Super Swimathon to take place on Sunday 27th April to raise funds to give to Warm Wish to contribute to a new roof for the school pool. Our next meeting to discuss this is this Thursday. Please come along if you would like to be more involved with organising the swimathon.

**Coffee Morning and Bake Sale Success -Thank you**

Thank you to everyone that contributed to the Coffee Morning and Bake Sale on a very rainy February 14th! In total we raised £102.90.

**Monthly Second Hand Uniform Sale - Friday 28th February - 3:30pm - Music Room**

**Bags2School**

Thank you to everyone who brought in their Bags2School yesterday. We received around 380kilos of textiles! This raised over **£190** for the school.

**SPSA Website**

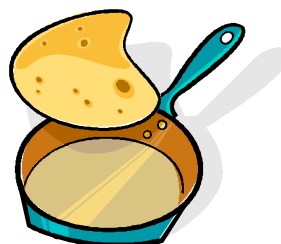
Don't forget to take a look at what we're up to on the school website!

<http://www.st-peters-school.org.uk/spsa.html>

# Lunch Bunch Cafe

**Dinner numbers for week commencing 27/01/2014**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Average
76	108	111	70	134	100
Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100



Next Tuesday is Shove Tuesday so pancakes for pudding served with golden syrup,lemon and ice cream!

Dear Parents,

Swimming lessons will recommence on the week starting Monday 17th March 2014. Please ensure that your child has their swimming kit (marked with their name), towel (marked with their name) and inhaler (if required).

### **Swimming Schedule**

Foundation 1 (Mrs Taylor/Mrs Broad/Mrs Wilkinson) separate details will follow.

Foundation 2 (Mrs Jenkins) are swimming on Tuesday

Foundation 2/Year 1 (Miss Cawthera and Mrs Stubbs) are swimming on Thursday

Year 1/2 (Miss Hume) are swimming on Thursday

Year 2 (Mrs Moore and Mrs Harrison) are swimming on Wednesday

Year 3 (Miss Back) are swimming on Monday

Year 4 (Miss Salter) are swimming on Tuesday

Year 5 (Mr Perkins) are swimming on Friday

Year 6 (Mr Lee) are swimming on Tuesday

### **Foundation and Key Stage 1 Swimming Goggles**

We would advise against pupils in Foundation or Key Stage 1 from wearing goggles for the following reasons:

1) It is considered that part of the learning to swim experience is for children to be able to deal with splashing in the face and the ability, to open their eyes whilst their face is immersed and to swim under water with confidence. Certainly these attributes would improve their ability to cope in a water related incident in a canal, pond or river.

2) Not all goggles provide a watertight fit and in a teaching situation with younger children, concentration and lesson time can be lost in trying to obtain a fit which leaks as little as possible.

Obviously these arguments do not apply for children who wear goggles for medical reasons.

### **Key Stage 2 Swimming Goggles**

As children move to Key Stage 2, then they have already developed the skill to open their eyes underwater and most will be able to fit and adjust their goggles independently.

Whilst it is not necessary for children to wear goggles for short periods of time in the water, it is understood that some older children may choose to wear goggles.

If your child wishes to wear goggles please: purchase goggles that meet British Standards; ensure that the goggles fit the child correctly; ensure the child has

received adequate instruction, prior to their lesson, as to the fitting and adjustment of goggles; be aware that teachers will not be responsible for the fitting of goggles to the children; mark the goggles in some way so that they can be easily identified if lost.

### **Swimming Caps**

#### **All children should wear a Swimming Cap.**

St Peter's Church of England Primary School swimming caps can be purchased from Proserve (Unit 3 Dinan Way Trading Estate, Exmouth, EX8 4RS, 01395 222975). Alternatively, you could buy a swimming cap from other sport retailers or large supermarkets.

### **Inhalers**

Pupils who have inhalers (irrespective of whether they have used them recently or not) must bring their inhaler to the pool side.

### **Unable to swim**

Swimming is an important part of the National Curriculum as well as being the single most effective way of teaching children how to be safe in and around water.

If your child has a medical reason why they are unable to swim then they must bring in a signed parent/guardian note and hand it to their teacher on the morning of the lesson.


If your child has concerns or anxieties regarding swimming, please let us know and we will help them overcome these barriers.

Mr Lee



**Community News** - In this section are details on Lambing Sunday at Bicton College and Joey the Lips concert at Ladram Bay.

# LAMBING SUNDAY



16 March from 10am - 4pm

Meet our new baby animals and enjoy dog shows, agility and equine displays. With our tree tops' swing and low rope's course, arts and crafts, floristry and plant sale there is something fun for everyone.

The Bicton BBQ, Sunday roast and refreshments will be available.

Adult £5 Child £3 or Family group £15 (2 adults & 2 children)

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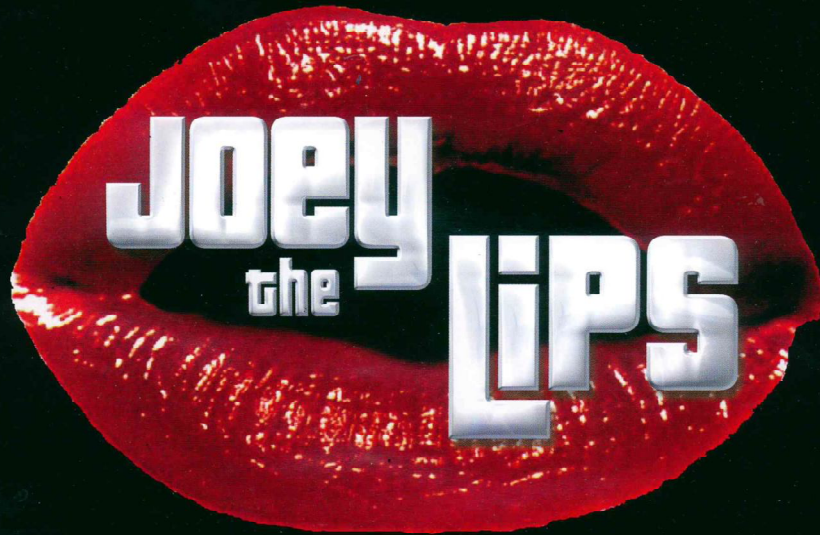
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**We grow opportunities**







Funky Soul, Blues & Disco Revue



**Three Rocks, Ladram Bay**

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2014**

Doors 7.30pm. Tickets £12.50. available from Julie 01395 442067

Or from Budleigh Salterton T.I.C or B.S Public Hall

(Event organised by B.S Carnival-Club)

All profits from this event will go between the Devon Freewheelers and  
Devon Air Ambulance.

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