



## Newsletter 09



### Autumn Term Academic Year 2013

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Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	SMART Rhyme Session in FSU 2.45pm – 3.30pm
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Forum 7pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Messy Church 3.45pm followed by St Martin's procession
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	SMART Rhyme Session in FSU 2.45pm – 3.30pm
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Full Governors Meeting
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	SPSA Christmas Fayre
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Budleigh Late Night Shopping
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinners
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinners
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Xmas church rehearsal
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinners
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Xmas play 10.00am St Peter's Church
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Breakfast with Santa 9.00am St Peter's Church
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	No Clubs this week
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Xmas rehearsal St Peter's Church all day
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Xmas concert 7.00pm St Peter's Church
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am Christmas church service, St Peter's Church
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of Autumn Term – 3.30pm School closes for Xmas break
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2014	Start of the Spring Term

**Collective Worship - Remembrance**  
**Hebrews 11v2 through their Faith,**  
**the people in days of old earned a**  
**good reputation**

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Please remember the Exmouth/Budleigh larder collection tomorrow.

#### **Two polite reminders**

\* **Please ensure your children are in the playground at 8.50am** Too many are walking through the gate after the whistle has been blown. We need to make a prompt start on learning at 9am. Regular lateness impacts on learning time lost, for example starting lessons at 9.05am means that 25 minutes is lost in a school week.

\*Please read the weekly newsletter which comes out every Wednesday. I **find it amazing that a few parents were unaware of the 1940 Day last Monday.** I began mentioning the 1940 Day last July! It is the children who miss out when the adults do not know what is going on.

It was good to see the **Year 6 return from London** last Thursday safe and sound having had a marvellous time. The children saw the significant landmarks and reports indicate that they had a fun time but learnt a great deal. The leaders were **delighted with the positive behaviour and attitudes of the children** who were a great credit to their

school and to their families. There were many comments from the public, coach driver, museum staff and hostel managers about the very good, responsible, polite behaviour of the children which is very encouraging.

There was a good support from families for both the **Family Service of Remembrance and the wreath laying last Sunday** which was very encouraging. Thank you for your support. This was followed up at school on Monday when we held a school two minute silence and we shall continue the theme of remembrance during our acts of worship this week. **We now look forward to the planned activities through Messy Church to celebrate St Martin's Day on Thursday 21st November.**

**The 1940's Day held last Monday was very special.** It was a great opportunity for the children to listen and record the memories of people living in the war years, they learnt a great deal and the experience made history come alive. I was impressed with how well the children responded to the challenge of simple journalism and also to see them welcome our guests from the community to the school. ***The day was part of the Budleigh Salterton Book of Memories Project organised by the Budleigh in Business group in association with Home Instead Senior Care, St Peter's CE Primary School, Fairlynch Museum, Rolle Complimentary Therapy and Bicton College.***

<http://www.budleighmemorybook.org.uk>

Photographs from the day can be viewed on the Year 6 section of the school website:

<http://classes.st-peters-school.org.uk/welcome-to-year-6.html>

Thank you for dressing the children in period costume many going to extraordinary lengths to get the effect just right. I also congratulate Mrs Smith and Mrs McDonald in cooking a very appetising dinner for everyone. They put a great deal of effort into the research and preparation, thank you.

**The AGM of the SPSA** was held last Thursday night and the annual report showed an astonishingly good year with some excellent fund raising. Chair, Mrs Kate Harrison and Vice Chair Mrs Nadine Ebsworth have now stood down from their roles. They have been excellent in their leadership and organisation and on behalf of the school community I should like to thank them for their good work. **Mrs Gemma Billings is the new Chairperson and Mrs Ruth Cheeseman, the new Vice Chairman.** I wish them well in their new roles and hope that everyone will give them excellent support and encouragement. **Please note that it was the SPSA who paid for the story teller who told the KS1 children about the Great Fire of London (last week). Thank you.**

**For the Christmas Fayre being held on the 29th November,** we intend to produce and sell class calendars and this will require class photographs to be taken and used, names will not be written. We have a list of children who we do not photograph and this will be adhered to unless we hear from Parents that on this occasion they are happy for their child's photograph to be taken. Photographs are to be taken tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon so early notification would be appreciated.

**Please note the following SPSA dates for your diary.**

\* **Friday 22nd November - Mufti Day for children who bring in an item for the Christmas Fayre for the tombola or raffle.**

\* **Thursday 16th January - SPSA meeting - all welcome**

\* **Sunday 27th April - new date for School Swimathon to raise monies for replacing the pool roof.**

It is with delight that I report the outcome of the **Year 3/4 boys and girls cross country teams at the East Devon Finals at Bicton College** last week. The afternoon was perfect for the event and our teams made every effort to run well. **As a result the Girls' team were placed third out of eleven and the Boys' fourth out of ten.** Notable individual performances were Sonny Cox 1st in the Boys, Jack Garner 6th in the Boys and Amy May 6th in the Girls. The two 3rd year boys (youngest members) Finlay Cotton and Robin Squire did amazingly well as most runners were from Year 4. Congratulations to the other team members, George Moger-Taylor, Jack Howarth and Carly Cox, Yasmin Levi, Hattie Real, Bethany Browring and Grace Gillingham on their best performance for the team.



**There was an excellent turn out of parents** last night for the FSU evening where an **introduction to Early Literacy** was the main focus. The feedback has been very positive with many parents saying that they feel more confident to help their children with reading and writing. **I should like to thank the members of staff of the FSU team** for organising this evening event and in giving so much time in the preparation of the workshops.



**Twitter:** I am thrilled that many Y6 parents found our school twitter feed beneficial during the London residential. Please do ask them about how easy it was to keep informed. It is a great way of keeping up to date and keeping in contact with your school. We also retweet many things of interest to children and parents about education in general. Remember you don't even have to join twitter - the feed appears live on our school website. You can find us at: [@BudleighStP](http://www.twitter.com)

We currently have 287 followers and have written 445 tweets.

If we get to 300 followers before 1,500 tweets I will do another twitter dance on the playground!! DP

### **Parent Forum**

A reminder that the next Parent Forum meeting is on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm. On the agenda for the meeting is Head Teacher appointment, Parent questionnaires and the swimming pool. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **Foundation News**

In Nursery we have been out and about again! We have visited the park, been to the shops to buy some biscuits!, stopped to climb trees at the Green and lots more! We also made Poppy Wreaths at the beginning of this week for Remembrance.

Don't forget that we have a SMART Rhyme session in Nursery between 2.45–3.30 on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> and Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November if your child is aged under 5. Younger siblings very welcome.



### **Inhalers**

Please can parents of KS2 children make sure that inhalers in school are named clearly, this helps to reunite them with their owners quickly when they are left in classrooms.

### **Friday's Gym Club & Netball Club**

Apologies from Ms Kilburn, there will be *no* gym or netball this Friday due to her busy work commitments.

### **SPSA News**

#### ***Date for the Diary***

#### ***Mufti Day Friday 22nd November***

It is mufti day and we are collecting tombola donations next Friday 22nd November. Please can the children come to school dressed in their home clothes with a donation towards the Christmas Tombola. The class that collects the most donations wins a prize. Thank you.

### **Christmas Fayre, Friday Nov 29th, 5- 7.30pm at St Peter's School**

Children, Mums, Dads, Aunts, Uncles, Grandmas, Grandads, Friends and all other Christmas Shoppers! Save the date! The school Christmas Fayre is set for the evening of **29th November**. The emphasis is on affordable games, activities and fun for all the family. We will have a café selling hot dogs, potato wedges, soup and drinks, including mulled cider and wine. Stalls will include local crafters and retailers, class calendars, as well as SPSA cakes. Of course, Father Christmas will be in his grotto (still only £1.50 per entry) and this year you will be able to make and take home your own Christmas Pudding for only £1, not to mention win a cash prize in the raffle!

#### **Raffle Tickets**

Please look out for Raffle tickets coming home on Monday in Book Bags! We have a mixed array of prizes a few to mention; various vouchers, wine and 2 x £50 cash to be won! They are selling for £1 a strip.

#### **Thank you**

The SPSA would like to say a HUGE Thank You to Kate Harrison who was Chair of the SPSA for 2012-13 school year and also to Trudie Burne who has also worked tirelessly as the press officer for the SPSA and organised many events, one of them being all of the Big Budleigh Balls with the most recent Centenary Ball raising £3,036.87. Both Kate and Trudie have worked on the SPSA for 10 years. Under Kate's leadership and with the help of other SPSA members and of course the support of parents, teachers and pupils, the SPSA made a £5,341.06 profit this year. We would also like to say Thank You to Nadine Ebsworth who has stood down as Vice Chair and has and is still working hard organising the Christmas Fayre. The money raised over the last year has funded a whole host of activities and small projects including (this list is not exhaustive): Christmas parties and gifts, leaver's gifts, portaloo for the school pool, play-ground equipment and toys.

#### **SPSA Officers**

Following the most recent AGM for the SPSA the following election of officers was agreed; Chair Gemma Billings, Vice Chair Ruth Cheeseman, Treasurer Lorraine Ralph and Secretary Donna Hitchcock.

#### **Lunch Bunch Cafe Dinner numbers for week commencing 04/11/2013**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Average</b>
81	93	96	61	122	91
Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100	Target 100

\*Year 6 out on a residential for 4 days.

Many Thanks.

Best wishes

Malcolm Elliott, Headteacher



## Community News

### Woodbury Common Family Orienteering Event

The is an afternoon event followed by night event On Saturday 16th Nov 2013

on an area called Uphams Plantation on Woodbury Common

**Parking at: Grid Ref:SY042862** Uphams Car Park with over spill at Four Firs car park (this car parked will have a taped walk route to registration)

**Timings:** Afternoon starts 2pm until 3.30pm (course closes 16.45)

Evening starts 5.45 until 7pm (course closes 8pm)

**Orienteering Courses:** From White (easy to navigate) to Green (technically difficult) and

Red (long and technically average, designed for runners) courses 1.5km to 5km

**Entry on the day** £1.50 juniors. £3 seniors Contact Tim Gent 07735541751 for more details or at [www.devonorienteingclub.co.uk](http://www.devonorienteingclub.co.uk)

**EXMOUTH**  
Carols In the Hall of the Mountain King  
**LIGHT**  
**ORCHESTRA**  
Full Symphonic Line-up!  
**CONCERT OF**  
James Bond Let It Snow  
**LIGHT MUSIC**  
SAT 7<sup>TH</sup> DEC 7.30PM  
TEMPLE METHODIST CHURCH  
BUDLEIGH SALTERTON  
TICKETS £7 FROM BEST BOOKS, THE PARADE, EXMOUTH  
CARD SHOP TOO, HIGH ST, BURLEIGH  
[www.exmouthlightorchestra.co.uk](http://www.exmouthlightorchestra.co.uk) 01395 278497  
La Paloma

# OTTERTON 10k REINDEER RUN 2013



Under UK Athletic Rules – in conjunction with Sidmouth Running Club  
Permit Applied for  
10km approx. Multi Terrain, Rural Course  
(lanes, paths, tracks and farmland in and around the Otter Valley !)

**SATURDAY 7th DECEMBER 2013**

Start **10am** Otterton Church  
Race Headquarters / Changing at Otterton Church

Mulled Wine in your **FREE** memento Reindeer Run Mug and **Haymans Mince Pies** to all 10 k Finishers

Prizes for the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Man and Lady and the First Married Couple

**Best Fancy Dress 10km & 3km Runner**

Floating Trophies for first local man and lady

Prizes for Teams of 3 Men or 3 Ladies & mix Schools

Teams may consist of Clubs, Schools, Pubs, Companies or just friends.

**Sponsors Ladram Bay, Hayman's Butchers Sidmouth, Sport Republic Sidmouth, Kings Arms, Georgie Porgies Puddings Ltd, Bicton Botanical Gardens, Clinton Devon Estates, Local Farmers**

*Plus 3k Fun Run with Christmas Reindeer memento to all children.*

**Entry Fees: £10 but Discounted Fee for EA Competition Licence Holders £8**

**All 10k late entries on the day £12 Fun Run £3**

Apart from entries on the day the closing date will be Friday 29th November 2013

Please send your entry form, with **large SAE** and cheque payable to "OCESA"

to  
Big Jim Pyne & Mrs. Baldrick, 18 The Green, Otterton, Devon, EX9 7HQ Tel 01395 567709

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First Name.....Surname.....

Address.....

Post Code..... Tel. No.....

D.O.B. .... Age on Race Day ..... Male / Female.....

Affiliated Club.....EA Competition Licence Number.....

School /Team Name.....

Please enter me for  3k fun run ..... age 0 - 16yrs Parents / Guardians are responsible for all U1

tick as  we need Schools name were appropriate for 3k entrees

Appropriate  10k multi terrain run ..... 16 yrs upwards

I am mostly local (Live in the Village or Children attend Otterton School)

I declare that I am medically fit to run and understand that I do so at my own risk. The organisers shall not be held responsible for any injury, loss or damage arising as a result of my participation in this event.

Signed.....Date.....

Parent/Guardian (where applicable)