

Ashton St. Peter's Primary School

Newsletter 3



'To seek to open our hearts and minds to the love of God and learning'

***Our value for September is Co-Operation
'There is strength in numbers.'***

23rd September 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

Harvest Festival

This year we will be supporting the Bishops Harvest Appeal entitled 'Water Aid' - 'transforming lives in rural Madagascar by providing clean, safe water'. From Monday, 19th September we will be collecting small change and filling empty water bottles. Each class has a challenge to fill as many water bottles as possible! We will also be having vanilla ice cream for a donation of 50p on Thursday, 6th October in the morning. Please can children start to bring their 50p and hand it to their class teacher from Monday to ensure that sufficient ice cream is purchased. This is linked to vanilla being grown in Madagascar. Thank you for your support.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday, 30th September we will be running a coffee morning in the school hall to raise money for Macmillan Nurses. This is being organised by Mrs Walker, mum of Liam and Megan. All parents are invited to come along and help raise money. There will be cakes and refreshments for sale and a raffle.

Please can we ask parents to donate cakes on Thursday, 29th September for sale at the coffee morning. We would like as many children as possible to join in this worthwhile event and ask that they please bring 20p to buy a cake during the morning. Thank you for your support.

Book Fair - 28th September - 4th October

Travelling Books will again be delivering a selection of books for children to purchase. These books will be on display for sale at 3.30pm in the hall from 28th September until 4th October. The school will receive commission for any books sold and this money is divided by each classroom to enable teachers to purchase new books. Please feel free to come and browse and choose any books you wish to purchase. Please note the books cannot be ordered, they will only be available for purchase on these days.

Notification of Local Visits

Year 1 children will be visiting the Salvation Army at 9.30am on Monday, 3rd October. If you are able to walk to the hall please speak to Mrs Pazik. Thank you.

Our older children will take part in a Bible Exhibition on the following dates:

3rd October - Year 4

4th October - Year 6

5th October - Year 3/Year 5

Year 2 visit to St Paul's Cathedral - information regarding this trip has been sent via Parentmail.

Year 3/Year 4 trip to The Grove - information regarding this trip has been sent via Parentmail.

Baptist Holiday Club

Please find attached a flyer giving details of the children's Monday Club which is held at the Dunstable Baptist Church.

Pram Service

Do you have preschool children or know someone who does? On Tuesday 4th October from 2pm there will be a pram service with crafts and fun for pre-school children and their parents/carers at the Priory Church in Dunstable. Everyone is welcome! For further information, contact Penny on 01582 663384

Christmas Art Club

Unfortunately, due to a fall in numbers our weekly Art Club has been stopped. However, for two weeks only the Art teacher is offering the opportunity for children to make 3 decorations from clay. If you are interested in your child participating in this please can you inform the school office by 30th September and we will contact the Art teacher for further information. The overall cost is £12 and all materials will be supplied.

If your child is interested in joining an after school Art Club, please can you let the office know and should numbers increase we will arrange for this to be put in place.

Consent Forms

If you have not returned your updated signed consent forms please can you ensure you do so as soon as possible.

Messy Church at The Priory

The next Messy Church session will take place on Wednesday 28th September at The Priory Church of St Peter from 4-6pm. All ages of children and parents/carers are welcome for an afternoon of crafts and fun and a light tea is also provided. The theme this time is: Wise & Foolish Builders (flyer attached). We hope to see you there!

School Admissions

School admissions for September 2017 are now open. For further information please contact the Local Authority.

PE Kit

Please can we remind children to wear school PE kit and not football kit. In line with our policy, the school PE kit consists of maroon shorts and a white t-shirt with the school logo on. Winter PE kit can be plain grey or black joggers and plain grey or black sweatshirt without a hood or strings.

Parent's French Trip Meeting

On Monday, 26th September at 6.30pm, Mrs McGinty and Mrs Marriott will be hosting a meeting for those parents of Year 5 and Year 6 children who are going on the trip to France from 10th-14th October 2016. If you wish to bring the children with you to the meeting please feel free to do so. Please let the office know how many seats you will require.

Coats

As the weather begins to turn Autumnal please can children remember to bring in their coats as it can get chilly in the playground. Thank you

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 2 who had the highest attendance last week. Well done!

1st	Year 2	100.0%
2nd	Year 3	99.3%
3rd	Year 1	97.3%
4th	Year 4	96.6%
5th	Year 6	96.0%
6th	Year R	95.7%
6th	Year 5	95.7%

I would like to thank all parents for their continued support.

Best wishes

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