

# Ashton St. Peter's Primary School

## Newsletter 8



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

*Our value for November is Peace  
'Nothing can bring you peace but yourself.'*

4<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

### **Maths Week**

We would just like to remind parents that from Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> until Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November there will be opportunities available for parents to observe the teaching of maths and work with their children in the classroom. Feedback from parents regarding previous sessions has been very positive and has given them strategies to support their child's learning at home. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible. Please speak to your child's class teacher to book an appointment.

### **Curriculum Overviews**

An overview of what your children will be learning this half term within the creative curriculum has been sent by Parentmail. Through parent feedback we know how important it is that you know what your children are learning in school so that you can discuss and share in their school day at home. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school.

### **Blue T-Shirt Day**

Week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> November is National Anti-Bullying week and to show our support and stand up to bullying on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> November we will all be wearing blue T-Shirts and school trousers/skirts. Please remember to wear your blue T-Shirt on the Monday!

### **SOAPs Film Night - Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> November**

Information will be sent to you today by Parentmail regarding the film night for all children. Please remember to book early as places are limited.

### **Poppies for Sale**

For the next two weeks, Year 6 children will be taking poppies to classrooms for children to buy. There will also be an opportunity to buy bracelets, snap rulers and reflectors for a recommended donation of £1 at the school stationery shop on a Friday and Wednesday break time until 11<sup>th</sup> November. Please can children bring their donations to school if they wish to buy any of the items. Thank you for your support.

### **Year 6 Parent's Evening**

The Year 6 parent's evenings will now take place on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November and Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> November the appointments previously made by parents will stand unless parents request a different time.

### **Year 6 SATs Booster Sessions**

Booster sessions will restart on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> November. There will be some changes in the groups and children will be notified about this today before they leave school.

### **Messy Church – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 4pm**

Come along to Messy Church - Monday 14 November, 4pm to 6pm, in The Priory Church of St Peter. Our theme will be: 'The Sower and the Seed'. If you enjoy craft activities, decorating (and eating) biscuits, chatting to people, worshipping in a relaxed and informal way and eating food, then Messy Church could be for you! Age doesn't matter - just come along and have fun.

### **Calling all 6-8 year olds – 3<sup>rd</sup> Dunstable Beavers needs you!**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Dunstable Beavers group are welcoming new members. If you want to make new friends and have fun we meet on Tuesday's from 5 until 6.30 in the Scout Hut close to Queensbury School. For further information and to arrange to come along and find out more contact Rosemary on 01582 606956 or email [rj-otoole@hotmail.com](mailto:rj-otoole@hotmail.com)

### **Choir at The Grove Theatre**

Our choir has been invited to sing at The Salvation Army, Christmas at the Grove performance at The Grove Theatre at 6pm on Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> November 2016. Tickets are now on sale at The Grove at a cost of £10 per adult and £5 per child. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible to help to start the Christmas festivities.

### **Christmas Art Club**

The Christmas Art Club will be held from 3.30pm-4.30pm on 17<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December at a cost of £12 for both sessions. This will be dependent on numbers and bookings will close on 11<sup>th</sup> November. Please see flyer attached.

### **Grandparent's Decoration Day**

This year, our Grandparent's Decoration Day will be held on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> November. A Parentmail has been sent giving details of the day along with a booking form. If you have any grandparents who would like to attend, please ensure you return the booking form by Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> November. Due to logistics, we will not be able to accept any bookings after this date.

### **Early Birds/Evening Owls**

Please be aware that as of 1st November 2016, after 10 years of remaining the same price, the cost of Early Birds will rise to £3.50 and Evening Owls to £5.50 per session. Just as a reminder, one slice of toast per child is included in the price for Early Birds but children will need to bring a snack to school if they are staying for Evening Owls. Alternatively, a slice of toast will be for available for 20p. Thank you for your support.

### **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.

### **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 and Year 6 who had the highest attendance last week. Well done!

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| 1st | Year 2 | 97.9% |
| 1st | Year 6 | 97.9% |
| 2nd | Year 5 | 97.5% |
| 3rd | Year 3 | 96.0% |
| 4th | Year R | 93.5% |
| 5th | Year 4 | 92.7% |
| 6th | Year 1 | 90.0% |

*Thank you for your continued support.*

Best wishes

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