

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.'*

22nd September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Practice of the Lockdown Procedure

As you will be aware, we practice our fire procedures regularly in school and would like to inform you that on Wednesday, 27th September 2017 we will be practicing our lockdown procedure. We will inform the children that this is going to happen and then during the morning we will practice it. I am writing to inform you of this as on a previous occasion some children were upset when they got home. We are sure you will agree that it is important that all procedures are rehearsed in order to ensure your child is as safe as possible within school. If you wish to discuss this matter further please speak to me.

KS1 Reading Presentation for Parents

We would like to invite parents of Key Stage 1 children (Year 1 and Year 2) to join us to learn more about how to help support their child with their home reading. A reading presentation will be held in the Year 6 classroom at 7pm on Thursday, 28th September 2017. Please inform the school office if you would like to attend these sessions.

'Xtramath' - Log-in Details

During the coming week, your child will be bringing home a piece of paper with their new log-in details and instructions for accessing this exciting maths programme. Children will revisit concepts in order to consolidate their learning and improve the speed at which they are able to recall number facts. We ask you to encourage your children to engage in this fun activity which is linked to their learning in school and monitored by their class teacher. If you have any questions please speak to your child's class teacher.

KS2 Reading Presentation

I would like to thank all the parents who attended the important reading meeting last night. I trust that you found it informative and feel better equipped to support your children with their reading in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. You all received a reading list relevant to your child's year group and I would ask any parents who were unable to attend to speak to their child's class teacher for this list. Thank you.

Book Fair - 27th September - 3rd 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 27th September until 3rd 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.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday, 29th 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, 28th 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 £1 to buy a cake during the morning. Children are also able to wear their own clothes with something green added as part of the fund raising evening. Thank you for your support.

Messy Church - Monday, 25th September

The next Messy Church session will take place on Monday, 25th September at The Priory Church from 4pm. All ages of children and parents/carers are welcome for an afternoon of crafts, fun and worship. We hope to see you there!

Health and Safety

The Governors wish to remind parents that their children need to be supervised on the school site at all times and they are not permitted to play on any of the equipment before or after school, for example, in the Reception playground, outside Year 1 or in the main playground.

Please can parents also be reminded to consider neighbours when parking within the school vicinity. Please note that there are new parking restrictions on West Parade.

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival will be held in the Priory Church on Thursday, 5th October at 2pm. Families are welcome to join us and children can be taken home from the Church at the end of the service. Further information will follow.

School Uniform

Can you please ensure that you write your child's name in all school uniform and PE kits and that PE kits stay in school for the half term. The lost property box has been moved and is now situated outside Year 3 and Year 4.

Central Bedfordshire Council ASD Information Session

Please find attached a flyer from the Central Bedfordshire Council SEND Parent & Young Person Partnership Service.

Payments to the school

If you are paying cash for trips can you please hand the correct money to the school office as we do not keep money for change. We understand that on some occasions, change will be required and whilst we will endeavour to give this straight away, unfortunately, parents may have to wait a few days. Please note all change needs to be collected and signed for from the school office. Thank you.

Payments for trips, uniform, Early Birds and Evening Owls can be made via the ParentMail app.

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 R and Year 1 who had the highest attendance last week. Well done!

1st	Year R	100.0%
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2nd	Year 6	99.2%
3rd	Year 2	98.6%
3rd	Year 3	98.6%
4th	Year 4	98.0%
5th	Year 5	96.1%

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

Best wishes

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