

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.'*

3rd November 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Phonics in Year, Year 1 and Year 2

SPAG - Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6

Next week, during the mornings, you are welcome to observe the teaching of phonics or 'SPAG' in your child's class. Please speak to the class teacher to book a day and time. This will need to be in advance of the actual day that you wish to attend. We look forward to welcoming you.

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Next week, Year 6 children will be taking poppies and a range of small items such as keyrings, snap rulers and bracelets, to classrooms for children to buy. Donations for poppies are greatly appreciated. The other items are on sale for 50p and £1. All donations go towards the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Thank you for your support.

SOAPs Meeting

On Tuesday, 7th November at 7.00pm, SOAPs will be holding a meeting at school. All parents are invited to attend and your support would be greatly appreciated.

Football Event - 11th November 2017

On Saturday, 11th November 2017, at 2pm, in memory of Ethan and Joshua Houghton and Aimee Goldsmith, the Ashton St Peter's Football Club will be unveiling a memorial plaque. Everyone is welcome to join us. There will be football matches between local schools as well as a penalty shootout competition. Soup and rolls will be served followed by tea and cakes. Please inform the school office by Friday, 3rd November 2017 if you would like to attend. We hope you can join us for this memorable occasion. Thank you.

Grandparents Day

This year, our Grandparent's Decoration Day will be held on Thursday, 23rd 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 Thursday, 9th November. Due to logistics, we will not be able to accept any bookings after this date. Thank you.

Anti-Bullying Week - 13th-17th November 2017

Week commencing 13th November is National Anti-Bullying week. To show our support and stand up to bullying, on Monday, 13th November we will all be wearing blue T-Shirts and school trousers/skirts. Please remember to wear your blue T-Shirt on the Monday! Thank you.

Christmas Message from SOAPS

This year's 'Christmas Cracker' is fast approaching - it will be happening on Friday 1st December! This event cannot happen without your generous donations. These help make it a great experience for our children. Weekly reminders will be sent out via Parentmail, but here is what we will be asking for during the next four weeks:

Week one - week of the 6th November: Teddies and books that need rehoming.

Week two - week of the 13th November: Bottles for the Tombola and Lucky envelopes.

Week three - week of the 20th November: Lucky cups.

Week four - week of the 27th November: Cakes.

There will be donation boxes in or outside each classroom.

Once again, THANK YOU so much in advance for your much needed support.

This week we will be collecting as many unwanted **teddies and books** as possible. Please place them in the box outside your classroom. Thank you for your generosity!

Thank you!

Love from the Christmas Elves

Messy Church

Please find attached a flyer regarding Messy Church at the Salvation Army.

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.

'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.

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.

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 3 who had the highest attendance during the **last week of half term**. Well done!

1st	Year 3	100.0%
2nd	Year 2	98.3%
3rd	Year 5	96.9%
4th	Year R	96.6%
5th	Year 6	96.5%
6th	Year 4	95.6%
7th	Year 1	82.6%

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

Best wishes

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