

Ashton St. Peter's Primary School

Newsletter 24



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

*Our value for March is Caring
'You need to give care in order to receive care.'*

14th March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

Mrs Gilmour - Year 4 Teaching Assistant

Our Year 4 Teaching Assistant, Mrs Gilmour, will be retiring at Easter. I am sure you would like to join Governors and staff in thanking her for all the support she has given to children over the past 7 and a half years and we wish her every happiness in her retirement.

Sport Relief Day

On Friday, 23rd March 2018, we will be raising money for Sports Relief. Children can come to school dressed in their 'sports' outfit and bring a donation of £1. Throughout the day, they will be participating in a range of sports related activities. Children will be able to purchase a Sport Relief 2018 wristband from the school office for £1 as of Monday, 19th March 2018. Thank you.

Choir and Recorder Performance

Mrs Leadbeater, Mrs Dineen and Mrs Gilmour are planning to hold a concert for family members of the choir and recorder groups at 2.30pm on Monday, 26th March 2018. As this will be the last opportunity to hear the choir and recorder groups this academic year we hope you will be able to attend. Please inform a member of staff in the school office if you would like to attend. Thank you.

Year 3 and Year 4 Easter Performance - The Pied Piper

Extra tickets for the Year 3 and Year 4 Easter performance of 'The Pied Piper' will be available from the school office from Monday, 19th March. Please also note that pushchairs must be left outside school and are not permitted in the hall. All our children will have had the opportunity to see the dress rehearsal. Performances will take place at 4pm on Wednesday, 21st March 2018 and Thursday, 22nd March 2017. Children in Year 3 and Year 4 will not go home at the normal time and should bring a snack to school on performance days which they will be able to eat just before the performance. Thank you.

SOAPS Easter Garden Competition

This is just a reminder that information has been sent out regarding this fun competition. Please can families bring in their Easter Gardens on Monday, 26th March 2018 to the school office. The gardens will be displayed in the school entrance and children will vote for their favourite garden on 27th March 2018. On 28th March 2018 children can take their garden home to display over Easter.

Easter Service - Priory Church

Our Easter Service will be held at 2pm on Thursday, 29th March 2018, in the Priory Church and all families are welcome to join us. On Thursday, 29th March 2018, please can we ask parents not to send their child's reading package to school and if your child has a packed lunch, please can they bring it in a carrier bag rather than their lunch box.

Following the Church service you may take your child home from the Church. If you are unable to collect your child from Church between 3.00pm and 3.15pm, we will walk the children back to school for them to be collected at 3.30pm.

Evening Owls will be finishing an hour earlier at 4.30pm on Thursday, 29th March 2018.

Scooters

There are three abandoned scooters outside the school hall door. Please can we ask their owners to collect them by the end of term. Otherwise, they will be donated to the charity shop. Thank you.

School Closure - Important Notice

Please note that in the event of any school closures such as snowfall over the coming months we will endeavour to remain open. All parents should register with the Central Bedfordshire "State of Schools" portal. You will then receive email alerts if our school does close for any reason. The website to register is: www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/webApps/SOS. If there is snowfall during the night we will keep our registers open for longer so there is no need to telephone the school to say your child will be late in.

'Xtramath' - Log-in Details

The children are really enjoying gaining their certificates when completing Xtramath's levels. These activities are supporting children in recalling facts which helps them to solve problems quicker! If your child is having problems logging on, please speak to their class teacher because it is not only great fun but really does enhance their mathematical skills. Thank you.

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.

Attendance

Congratulations to Year R who had the highest attendance during the last week of the term. Well done!

1st	Year R	99.3%
2nd	Year 3	99.0%
3rd	Year 2	97.6%
4th	Year 6	96.0%
5th	Year 5	95.7%
6th	Year 1	95.3%
6th	Year 4	95.3%

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

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