

Ashton St. Peter's Primary School

Newsletter 23



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

Our value for March is Forgiveness

***'Mark 11v25: If you hold anything against anyone, forgive them,
so that your Father in heaven may forgive you'***

8th March 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Role Model of the Week

Every week, staff will choose a child from KS1 and a child from KS2 who has been a role model for our value of the month. This month's value is Trust and our role models of the week are Nathan in KS1 for being a kind and polite member of Year 1 and Liam in KS2 for showing forgiveness to those around him when needed. Well done to our role models!

Fortnightly Prayer Meeting

Mrs Sue Leadbeater will be holding the next prayer group on Friday, 22nd March 2019 from 9am-9.30am, more dates to follow. It will be held in school and all parents, grandparents and carers are welcome to attend. We look forward to welcoming you.

Alongside the prayer group meetings, the Governors would like to invite all parents to pray for the school each week. Every Friday, there will be a new focus for the following week in the Newsletter. For next week, the focus will be children and staff in Year 6.

Sex and Relationships Education Parent Meeting - 'Big Talk'

As part of the teaching of sex and relationships within school, the Governors employ the services of Big Talk to come and speak to parents about the curriculum they will be delivering to our children in March. Information regarding this is attached with an attendance slip to be completed. The presentation will be held on **Wednesday, 13th March at 6pm until 7pm** and the teaching will be delivered during the day of Thursday, 14th March. We look forward to seeing you on 13th March.

World Book Day

Yesterday the children and staff transformed into their favourite book character to walk to the Grove Theatre. While at the theatre we watched a fantastic show called 'Talking Tales' which transported us into the world of books. The children enjoyed learning about how important reading is and how it can be the key to success in many areas of life. They also enjoyed singing along to the many songs that were used in the show as well. All the children were enthusiastic about the experience and determined to go home and read many books of their own.

"Look At Our Learning" - 3.00pm-3.30pm, Tuesday, 19th March 2019

Parents are invited to come into school at 3pm to see what their children have been learning this term and see the progress they have made. We look forward to seeing all of you.

Comic Relief - Friday, 15th March 2019

Comic Relief (Red Nose Day) will be taking place on Friday, 15th March 2019 and children can come into school in mufti wearing something odd, for example, odd socks, odd shoes or odd hair. On the day, please send your children to school with a £1 donation to help to support the Comic Relief charity. Thank you.

Football Team Photographs

We recently removed the football team photographs which were on display in the main corridor. If you would like a photocopy of any of the photographs, please speak to a member of staff in the office.

Request from SOAPS

SOAPS require collapsible play tunnels for the Summer Palooza. If anybody has any unwanted, collapsible play tunnels that they can donate to SOAPS, please inform a member of staff in the school office. Thank you.

Year 3 and Year 4 Performance – change of date

Please note, we have changed the date of the Year 3 and Year 4 performances which will now take place on Wednesday, 27th March 2019 and Thursday, 28th March 2019 – timings will remain the same.

Reading With Your Children

As reading is such an important skill, could we remind parents that reading with your child every day is one of the best ways to help them to be successful. Ideally, they should read their school reading book as this is part of a carefully planned scheme. Please remember to record your child's reading in their reading record or diary. Thank you.

Playing on the School Field

When we have wet and muddy weather, if Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 children would like to play football on the field at lunchtime, please can you ensure that they have a pair of named wellies in school. Children will no longer be able to play on the field in trainers due to weather conditions.

Coats

In the cold weather **please can children remember to bring in their coats, hats and gloves (all named) to school as it is getting very cold in the playground.** 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. Please can we also remind parents not to walk through the car park gate but use the pedestrian gate in the alley way.

Can we please remind parents that children must be accompanied to school by an adult and handed over to staff at their classroom door. This is to ensure that we can be certain of their safety. 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.

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 1 and Year 4 who had the highest attendance last week. Well done!

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| 1st | Year 1 | 100.0% |
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| 2nd | Year R | 96.6% |
| 3rd | Year 3 | 95.7% |
| 4th | Year 5 | 94.3% |
| 4th | Year 6 | 94.3% |
| 5th | Year 2 | 93.3% |

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

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