



# Newsletter

6<sup>th</sup> September 2019

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## A Fantastic Start to the Year!

It's been a lovely start to the academic year and it's been great to see so many excited yet sensible faces coming into school every day this week!

It's also been lovely to see the positivity of parents as they bring children into school. I would like to welcome our new Year 3 families to the St. Peter's Community and already know you will be a great addition!

Welcome back to everyone else!

Mr Hunter-Whitehouse

## Cross Country

If your child would like to take part in the Thanet School Cross Country races, please pick up an entry letter from the school office reception.

### **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October at Quex Park (£3 entry per child)**

10:00	Year 3	1km	10:20	Year 3	1km
	Girls			Boys	
10:40	Year 4	1km	11:00	Year 4	1km
	Girls			Boys	
11:20	Year 5	1.5km	11:40	Year 5	1.5km
	Girls			Boys	
12:00	Year 6	1.5km	12:20	Year 6	1.5km
	Girls			Boys	

## Letters home this week

Yr 5 and 6 – End of day arrangements (paper)

Yr 3 – School Gateway Guide (email)

Yr 5 – Canterbury Cathedral Letter (paper)

Yr 6 – 2020 Transfer to Secondary School Leaflet (paper)

All pupils – Cross Country Letter (at the office)

All pupils – Nourish Menu (paper)

## School Dinners

**Please can parents and carers remember to pay for school dinners in advance.**

Don't forget Yr 3 parents you need to pay £2.15 per day, £10.75 per week. However, if you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals, please apply via [www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals](http://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals) or contact the team on 03000 415123 to check.

## Dates for the Diary

### Term 1

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September – Kent Test in school

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Sep PM – Y4 Swimming begins to Upton (see letter)

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Sep 3.15pm – PGL Final Meeting Yr 6 (hall)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Sep – PTFA Drop-in after school Yr 5 classroom

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Sep – Yr 5 to Canterbury Cathedral (see letter)

October 2019 – Yr 6 parents to apply for secondary school places (see leaflet home today)

Tues 1<sup>st</sup>/ Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct – Drama Workshop for GT Drama

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> Oct – Yr 6 to PGL / Yr 6 Activity Week (more info to follow)

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct – **School Photographs all pupils**

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Oct – School Discos (more info to follow)

Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Oct – 'So You Want to Sing' Competition for GT Dance and Chorale

21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> Oct – HALF TERM BREAK

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Oct – INSET DAY

### Term 2

Tues 29<sup>th</sup> Oct - Pupils back to School

Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> Oct – **Flu Vaccinations all pupils**

Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> - deadline for Yr 6 secondary school applications

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> November evening – St. Peter's Fireworks!

**All school events can be found on our website under 'events' – please check back weekly for additions and changes to our events – we are a busy school!**

### Change in Homework

Our approach to homework is going to be different this year. With each year group running things slightly differently, there will be new termly pieces, as well as traditional pieces of homework set.

We hope that the children enjoy the termly projects and challenges as they continue with the usual school routine of spellings, reading and times table practice each week.

### PTFA Drop-in

Our brilliant PTFA are holding a DROP-IN for all new and existing parents who wish to get involved in fundraising events for the school this year.

Any help, large or small is very much appreciated, along with lots of tea and cake along the way!

**PTFA DROP-IN (with tea and cake) – Wednesday  
18<sup>th</sup> September after school in a Yr 5 classroom.**

**3.15pm – 4pm** (while pupils are in clubs, other children are welcome to sit with their books/iPads)

### St. Peter's Church Boot Fair

St. Peter's Church are holding an indoor boot fair on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September from 9am – 12pm and there are a few tables remaining!

Please contact the Parish Office on 01843 866061 if you are interested.

### PGL Trip Final Meeting

For those Year 6 children who are attending the PGL trip to Windmill Hill in East Sussex from 7<sup>th</sup> October, there is a final meeting after school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September, in the main school hall – pupils welcome.

Amongst other information, Mrs Spurgin will be talking through the list of clothing/items to pack. At the meeting you will have a chance to ask any last minute questions.

If you are unable to attend this meeting, a letter and leaflet will also be coming home on this Monday.

### Star of the Week

3W: Clara F – for being a caring and supportive member of the class.

3H: Lexi H – for showing how to always be ready, respectful and safe.

3T: William R – for a great start at St Peter's!

4NB: Tegan C – for a confident start to Year 4.

4S: Catherine P – for writing an excellent diary entry about her day.

4E: Ronnie A – for a focused positive start to Year 4.

5S: Grace W – for a smooth transition into 5S, despite missing our transition day.

5W: Lexi D – for fitting in superbly at St Peter's!

5B: Taylor L – for showing an excellent attitude in the classroom.

6S: Aurelia H – for a very confident start to St Peter's!

6I: Lilia H – for an enthusiastic, focused start to Year 6.

6W: Lily S – for the most cheerful good morning I've ever heard!

6G: Lois C – for a super start to Year 6 and some lovely William Morris inspired art.

**WELL DONE EVERYONE!**

