



Dear Parents and Carers,

I've had several questions this week which have been answered in previous updates and ParentMails. We do try to keep communication to a minimum and only essential information, so please ensure that you read these updates and any year group specific messages that come your way. Accessing ParentMail via the App is the easiest way to do this. It may have only been a four day week but we've still been busy in school so lots to report.

Nursery News

Some nice sunny weather to help our seeds to germinate and grow! We've been watering them everyday, as the pots quickly become dry, and looking for signs of new shoots. The children enjoy taking it in turns to pour water from the watering cans over them. Indoors, the cress is shooting up fast and next week we will be dining on egg and cress sandwiches for our snack! This week has also seen lots more school readiness, literacy and numeracy taking place for those transitioning to Reception Classes soon. Well done everyone.

District Tennis

Congratulations to our tennis squad who won the School Games Tennis Festival this week at Kettering Leisure Village.

Tresham Sports Hall Trip

Year 5 and 6 have spent the afternoon at Tresham Sports Hall practising their basketball, dodgeball and other indoor sports making use of their specialist facilities, equipment and coaches. The children enjoyed a picnic at Wicksteed Park in the sunshine beforehand, which I think they liked just as much. We're fortunate to have some brilliant facilities nearby, something we hope to use more in the future.

PTA - Wine Tasting Tonight

Tonight is the parents' social with wine tasting. We've sold over 30 tickets so it's going to be a great night. Please enter via the Headlands Gate where you will be greeted with a champagne reception and if the sun stays out we'll gather on the South Lawn. There is a limitless supply of non-alcoholic drinks, plus a variety of 0% tasting options. There will be a Mediterranean snack platter including traditional cheeses, biscuits and chutneys. We will be joined by wine buyer and wine expert Bertie Neave. Bertie was recently a judge at the London Wine Competition and she's looking forward to joining us at what will be an enjoyable evening. The Gate will open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start.



There are other events to look forward to this term including the Family Rounders and Founders Day after-event. Plans are already looking good. There will be a PTA questionnaire sent soon which will allow you to have your say for future events.

Govilon Residential

Most of Year 5 and 6 are off on a week long residential next week and I know they're really excited. Please ensure that you've read the kit list, pre-course information and today's reminder. The bus will be leaving at 9am on Monday morning. There will be lots of updates on social media and in the Google Classrooms I'm sure!

Socks, Socks, Socks

Strangely, I've had a number of questions about socks this week, so I thought I'd clarify:

- Girls wear long grey socks with the Winter uniform.
- Girls wear short white ankle socks with their Summer uniform.
- Boys wear short grey socks all year round.
- All children need to wear white ankle socks for PE.
- All children from Year 3 to Year 6 should wear long blue socks for Games, e.g. Football, Netball, Hockey, Rugby and all fixtures.

The blue socks can be purchased through ParentMail. All other socks should be plain and purchased from any retailer. These are available online or at most supermarkets. Here are three samples from M&S online (other retailers are available!).

- Girls Grey Long Winter - <https://www.marksandspencer.com/5-pairs-of-knee-high-socks/p/clp22159777?color=GREY&prevPage=srp>
- Girls White Ankle Summer - https://www.marksandspencer.com/7-pairs-of-ankle-school-socks/p/clp60142989?color=WHITE&prevPage=srp#intid=prodflag_srp_ts_QP_100|pid_pg1_pip48g4r0c0
- Boys Grey Ankle Winter & Summer - https://www.marksandspencer.com/5-pairs-of-ribbed-school-socks/p/clp22158168#intid=carousel_FUNH_AT_RECENT_END_FIND-SRP_18_2

Swimming Gala - Friday 20th May

Year 2 to Year 6 parents are invited to spectate at this year's school swimming gala. Be warned, the viewing gallery at the pool is small. The first race starts at 10am and the last race will be at 11:20am.

Next week, we welcome Reception Parents for their class assembly on Monday, Reception to Year 2 are off to the Zoo later in the week and Year 3 and 4 have a Wow Day. Lots to look forward to! Have a brilliant weekend everyone.



Regards,

Mr Thomas

Headteacher

Here is next week's menu: www.st-peters.org.uk/menu