

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you've all had a good week and are looking forward to a restful weekend. Lots of important announcements as well as some fun this week!

Nursery News

We started off this week dressing up as a Dingle Dangle the scarecrow. The children all looked fantastic! We made our own bread and pumpkin soup, the children loved dipping their bread in their pumpkin soup, yum yum! We had lots of farm stories to share and made our own scarecrows, tractors and bread pictures for our harvest display. The Children have also enjoyed making a tractor with some large boxes and also made their own creation with some recycled items. The children have made two wobbly wobbly jellies, one with melon and mango and the other with some creepy crawlies inside! In French, the children have started to learn a song and the colour green. To finish the week, the children made their autumn fingerprint tree and started their pumpkin printing.

PTA Lower School Harvest Supper

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Lower School Harvest Supper. It was a fantastic evening; one of my favourite events of the year. Thank you to everyone for your harvest donations - this will all be taken to the Kettering Foodbank.

PTA - Halloween Disco

Don't forget to buy your child's Halloween disco ticket via ParentMail. It'll be a fantastic way to end the half term with singing, dancing and games. Fancy dress is OPTIONAL. In Sunnylands Hall 5.45pm-7.15pm.

PTA Christmas Card Designs

Your child will bring home their Christmas Card design today. You don't need to send this form back into school, this is a copy. Please order any cards, mugs, notebooks etc. ASAP as a percentage of the profits is donated back to the PTA. They're also a lovely gift in time for Christmas.

Poppy Appeal

After half term, our Year 6s will be selling poppies at the school gate. Children can purchase a poppy, reflector, wristband, snap band or zip pull from the Year 6s who'll be collecting for the Royal British Legion appeal. Items will need to be paid for with exact money as no change will be available. All donations go to charity. We're happy for children to wear a poppy on their school blazer for the month of November, and all other merchandise must be taken home.

Clubs

Due to the unpredictable Winter weather, not all clubs can always run as advertised. Our sports staff will endeavour to get children outside playing sports, but in heavy rain this may not be possible. There'll always be an alternative sport or indoor activity session offered in its place. If it's torrential rain and you would like to collect your child from their sports club at the normal end of school time, please inform the School Office in advance. **Group 2 Clubs start NEXT WEEK and Group 1 clubs have now finished!**

Sporty St Peter's

What an incredible week of sporting successes. Some of our Year 5s and 6s competed in a full contact rugby fixture at Copthill School and some of the Year 3s and 4s triumphed at the Stamford Schools tournament in rugby and hockey. They played teams like Bilton Grange, Stoneygate, Witham, Brooke and Stamford. The girls were undefeated! There are rumours that England scrum half Ben Youngs was in the crowd at the rugby and Rebecca Vardy was at the hockey. Thanks to all of our amazing parents who came to spectate. Today, all of our children competing in the regional Cross Country event were top 6 finishers! Wow!

Uniform

Winter is coming! So please make sure that children have school hats, gloves and scarves. These should be the St Peter's stock, available from ParentMail or directly from the School Office. Also, please remember your football boots, blue socks, shin pads and gum shields for every Games session.

Share Your Work - Monday after school

Share Your Work is on Monday after school for Reception to Year 6. For those who have never experienced this, school will be open to parents and you're welcome to go to your child's classroom, with them, to see where they sit, look through their books and learn what they've been learning. The teachers will also be in the classrooms to talk to. This is not a formal parents evening and you should only be in your own child's class. We hope you enjoy this opportunity to see the school through your child's eyes.

Absence and Illness

There is a lot of illness around at the moment, please remain vigilant. As always, please report all illnesses to the School Office. Do not send your child into school if they are unwell. If a child is sick or has diarrhoea, they must be off school for 48 hours after the last incident.

We're all looking forward to two week's half term soon. This will help children and staff recharge and be prepared for the dark nights and cold days of Michaelmas 2 and the run up to Christmas.

Finally, next week is the finals of the St Peter's Conker Championships. Make sure your child has their best six-er, ten-er or even twelver-er freshly stringed and ready to go on Friday. It may even upset the current House Point totals.

Have a lovely weekend.

Regards,

Mr Thomas

Headteacher

NB. Community Choir starts the first Friday after half term!