

Dear Parents and Carers,

Apologies for the later than normal update; we were busy this afternoon kick-starting the weekend Coronation celebrations. Thank you to everyone who joined us at the Corn Market Hall. There was singing, dancing and LOTS of cake! For those who missed it, there were some bombshells: Leo is going to become Headteacher for the morning; Year 2 are taking over social media for a day; Persie is baking us all cake, and; Mrs Palmer is going to be teaching music at Elm Bank. The mayor commented on how wonderful our children were and the Elm Bank staff were immensely thankful for their invite. I know we needed to use some imagination to visualise the new flag waving in the breeze and playing cricket and going round the maypole on the grass, but I personally enjoyed seeing the children enjoying themselves. You'll all get a chance to visit our King Charles III Coronation Orchard later in the term.

Nursery News

The lovely weather earlier in the week has meant lots of time spent outside. The children have been following their own interests and learning through play by building and testing ramps for cars, creating flags for sandcastles, inventing games with footballs and castle turrets, role playing visiting the recycling centre, mark making with chalk, water and in sand/soil and also experimenting with hula hoops! We are continuing to learn about road safety: understanding that roads are for traffic and pavements are for people. We have learnt a new song and made a poster to remind everyone that when walking by a road we must hold hands! In preparation for the Coronation the children have been busy creating their own crowns which they proudly wore to eat lunch today. Union flags have been coloured, royal treasures examined and Coronation stories shared. It has been another super busy week for our youngest members of the school community.

PTA - Curry Night, Saturday 24th June

One year ago tonight was the wine tasting evening which was lots of fun. The next parent only event is on! £30 through ParentMail. The PTA have booked the exclusive use of the R91 Bar at the Raj. Private bar, welcome drink, poppadoms, mixed sharing platter starter, mains, rice, naans on the table, coffee and mints, good company and good times. Tickets are limited to 30, so don't miss out!

Govilon Residential

All of Year 5 and 6 are off on a 4-day long residential next week and I know they're really excited. Please make sure that you've read the kit list, pre-course information and yesterday's reminder. The bus will be leaving at 9am on Tuesday morning. There will be lots of updates on social media and in the Google Classrooms I'm sure!

Socks, Socks, Socks

It's that time of year again people ask about socks, 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 short 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_pg1pip48g4r0c0
- 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 26th 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.

Wishing you all a wonderful bank holiday weekend.

Regards,

Mr Thomas

Headteacher

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