



Dear Parents and Carers,

The sun has got his hat on, eventually! St Peter's School comes alive in the summer when we can explore our great grounds and gardens. The BBC enjoyed exploring this week too. The children enjoy being back on the field and the gazebos are up. There's now daily meetings for Founders Day and Sports Day prep but we've still got a few weeks to go. It's the swim gala next Friday from 10am and spectators are welcome.

### **Ascension Day**

The churches of Kettering came together last night for a special Ascension Day service. The St Peter's School Choir were invited to sing during communion and, as always, they represented the school with great pride. I am passionate, as is Mrs Palmer, that a choir needs to perform, they need opportunities to share that love for singing, and last night's service was a special one for many in the community.

### **Preschool Press**

This week in Preschool the children have been focussing on the colour green. During their 'cooking' lesson they made green jelly by dissolving the jelly powder in hot water and then cooling the mixture in the fridge. The children used their senses to smell the lemon and lime fragrance and, when it had cooled, to taste and feel the wobbly jelly! A scavenger hunt during outdoor learning resulted in a collection of dark and light green leaves, long and short grass and daisy stems which the children used to create a collage, and in the outdoor play area they have been taking turns to water their seeds whilst playing in the sunshine. It has been very exciting to see that small green shoots and leaves have finally started to appear! Treasure boxes have been filled with an assortment of green objects including a monster truck, cars, broccoli, the incredible hulk and a sprout and everyone had a go at working the muscles in their hands and arms as they rolled and pressed green leaves and petals between folds of material to create beautiful pieces of art. What a viridescent range of activities!

Preschool Parents evening is on Thursday 23rd May at 7pm in the Hub. We will be discussing how the Preschool curriculum supports the children to get ready for Reception.

### **PTA News**

We hope all the children enjoyed the Trunk Theatre Roman Show who visited the school this week – the photos on social media looked like they had a great time! This is just one of the lovely events that your contributions help to fund so thank you for your continued support!

We have another nearly new uniform pop up shop taking place next week in the Cedar Hub – Thursday 16th May from 8.00am – 9.00am and 3.15pm – 4.30pm. Come along and stock up on some great quality used uniform – half price or less!

Our Father's Day rounders event is taking place on Friday 14th June from 4.15pm, tickets are now available on ParentMail for just £3 per person – it was great fun last year and it's a fantastic opportunity to enjoy the beautiful grounds of the school.

Please see attached a poster for the Smartie Challenge – all details for this fundraising event are on it – start saving your 20p's as over the May half term the children will hopefully be collecting them!

We are still canvassing your support for our Founders Day raffle! If you or anyone you know has the perfect gorgeous gift or experience you would be happy to donate then please do get in touch through your Year Rep or the Committee.

Lastly, we will be holding the PTA AGM Part 1 on 13th June (**NEW DATE**). If you have ever considered a role within the PTA then please do come along to this meeting and see what it is all about.

### **Holiday Club - PLEASE BOOK**

Please book the Summer Holiday Club through ParentMail. It relies on your support to operate.

### **Staff News**

This has been a year of great change at St Peter's School, especially in Preschool, but this is the natural cycle in schools as we grow and evolve. Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Colwill, one of our Preschool Leaders, at the end of term. Mrs Colwill is moving into an exciting new role supporting children with SEND as part of an outreach role, which I know she will be great at and love. Preschool will continue as normal with our amazing team.

For those travelling to Govilon next week - don't forget to be in school on time on Monday with all of your kit (including sleeping bag and pillow case), medicines and pocket money. The bus will leave at 9am, sharp. Parents are welcome to stay and wave us off.

Reception to year 6 parents will receive your Parent Teacher Consultation slots early next week. Have a fabulous weekend in the sunshine.

Regards,

**Mr Thomas**

Headteacher

Here is next week's menu: [www.st-peters.org.uk/menu](http://www.st-peters.org.uk/menu)