

St Mary & St Peter Primary School Newsletter

Set Sail for Success

Newsletter Friday 11th September 2020

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Our Mission Statement

Through nurturing trust and strong relationships, our learning adventure will see each and every one of us thrive in God's love.

Values

*Believe
Respect
Love
Trust*

Headteacher's News

Welcome back everyone, it is so lovely to have all the children in school again. So far all have settled back into their new classrooms really well and our new starters have found their feet too. The smiley faces of the children show us how happy they are to be back too.

Thank you for being patient with us regarding the staggered start and finish times. We have had some queuing, hopefully as we move forward and get used to things this will settle down. It really is vital that you stick to your allocated time, really to the dot if possible as we have such a short window to move classes through and we obviously don't want any congestion happening unnecessarily. We also do not want to move to having to extend these slots which will then cut into the school day.

We want to give your children optimum time in the classroom.

Please can I also remind parents of the importance of social distancing when on school site.

Finally, I hope we can work together to make this academic year a success and we pray that soon we can get back to normal. Keep safe and well.

Mrs Block

New school lunch menu

We are pleased to introduce a new "Return to School Menu" and advise that our meals are now being provided by a new catering company called Apsens. The children get to enjoy lots of their favourite meals with meals eaten in class for Yrs 1 to 6 and Reception in the school hall.

Please try our new menu there is a wide variety of choices.

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We are a nut free school

Please can we remind parents to not send any food into school that contains nuts. We have several children and staff that have severe nut allergies. Thank you.



Fruit and vegetables are always the best choice, but if you're shopping for packaged snacks for your children, use this helpful tip: look for 100 calorie snacks, two a day max!

**Free School Meals****Reception, Years One and Two**

What is Universal Infant Free School Meals? From September 2014 the government introduced Universal infant free school meals. This means that families with children in Reception, Years One and Two are eligible to claim a free school meal for their child. There are no eligibility criteria, every Reception to Year Two child is entitled.

Years Three, Four, Five and Six Free School Meals

Please consider applying for Free School Meals if you think you might qualify. Follow the link below to find out more, on the Norfolk Schools Website:

<http://www.schools.norfolk.gov.uk/school-administration/free-school-meals/index.htm>

Applying for FSM means that school will also receive extra funding.

Snacks and Packed Lunches

Please make sure that your child's snacks and lunches are healthy.

Follow the below link to find out more about the importance of healthy snacks and some healthy snack ideas

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/food-facts/healthier-snacks-for-kids>

Please can we also remind you that no sweet items to be brought into school for birthdays etc.

Free school uniform

We have had many kind donations of school uniform from our parents - thank you!

We will be leaving the school uniform outside the main entrance between 8am and 3.30pm every day and then every Friday. Please do come and take what you need - there is no charge.

End of day arrangement forms

Please return your end of day arrangement form if you have not done so already.

Labeling uniform

Please ensure all uniform has been named so that we can rehome any lost items found.

If you have any questions about what your child is learning or how you can help your child at home, please arrange an appointment with the class teacher.

Half term

School ends for half term on Friday 23rd October.

Parents are reminded NOT to book holidays during term time. A full list of school holiday dates is available from the school office and website. Please do not use Norfolk County term dates list - the dates are NOT the same. Thank you.

Nursery

We currently have spaces in our Nursery for an immediate start for children who were 3 on or before the 31st August 2020.

Please contact the school office for more information and a form.

School collections

If you know in advance that someone else will be collecting your child, please write a note in your child's diary. If it is a last minute change - please telephone the office by 2:30pm.

Curriculum

Helping children improve their everyday maths. The Family Maths Toolkit is full of ideas to help parents, families and children aged 13 and under enjoy everyday maths activities together.

<https://www.familymathstoolkit.org.uk/>

Internet safety

Tik Tok has been in the news this week for a disturbing and graphic video that is appearing on this app. This app does have an age of 13+ but we are aware that some of our students do use this app. Please follow the link for advice.

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/tiktok/>

Pupil absence

If your child is not in due to being unwell, please call the schools absence line by 9am and leave a message stating what is wrong.



This Week's Prayer

Prayer

The school has invested in resources from a company called TenTen, as part of this they provide a monthly newsletter and reflection for you and your family. The newsletter can be found at: www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-newsletter

Here is a simple prayer for the start of the school year:

Dear Jesus, Thank you we can follow you through every step of the school year. We will walk with you.

Amen

Big Question

Big Questions are the ones that don't have an easy answer. They are often open and difficult; they may even be unanswerable or there may be more than one answer. The aim is to encourage deep and long conversations, rather than finding easy answers.

We are all thankful that we are able to be back at school. As a family discuss what you are thankful for.



St Mary and St Peter, Pray for us.

Upcoming Events

Friday 25 th September	Year 5 Class Mass - No visitors, please pray for us
W/C Monday 19 th October	Parents Evenings further details to follow
Friday 23 rd October	Year 3 Class Mass 10 am - No visitors, please pray for us
Friday 23 rd October	October Half Term Break
Monday 2 nd November	Pupils return
Friday 6 th November	Year 6 Class Mass 10am - No visitors, please pray for us
Friday 20 th November	Year 2 Class Mass 10am - No visitors, please pray for us
Friday 4 th December	Year 1 Class Mass 10am - No visitors, please pray for us
Friday 11 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 17 th December	Year 6 Class Mass 10am -
Friday 18 th December	End of term
Tuesday 5 th January	Pupils return



Dates for
the Diary: