



Autumn Term 2011

Events Diary

Sunday 13th November - Family Service - Remembrance Service
Friday 18th November - Children in Need - Mufti Day
Friday 25th November - Christmas Faye 6.00pm - 8.30pm
Tuesday 29th November - FSU Learning Jamboree
Thursday December 1st - FSU Learning Jamboree
Friday 2nd December - Budleigh Late Night Shopping
Monday 5th December - Age Concern 2pm choir to Public Hall
Tuesday 6th December - Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 7th December - Christmas Dinner
Thursday 8th December - Christmas Dinner
Thursday 8th December - 10.00am - 11.00am KS1 Christmas Performance, St Peter's Church
Thursday 8th December - Budleigh Ladies choir, Methodist church (ukulele, drummers, choir)
Thursday 8th December - Messy Church
Sunday 11th December - Family Service at St Peter's Church
Monday 12th December - 10.30 - 11.00am choir singing at Budleigh Hospital
Monday 12th December - Xmas concert rehearsal - pm
Monday 12th December - KS2 Christmas Performance 7pm, St Peter's Church
Tuesday 13th December - Choir - Age Concern - 2pm
Friday 16th December - End of Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am pleased to report that the children who went to **London** last week returned tired but very happy having experienced the best of our capital city. On Friday they were full of news and excitement having visited the Houses of Parliament, Tate Modern, The British Museum, The Imperial War Museum, The Natural History and the Science Museums plus an evening tour of the city. I missed the older children as our school leaders a great deal last week and it was good to see them back safe and happy. On record I should like to thank the staff and volunteers who generously gave up their family time to take the children away.

This week, we are preparing for **Remembrance Sunday** in our collective worship we are considering the roles of service men and women who risk their lives to keep our world safe. It is a wonderful opportunity to show our support for them and to remember those who have fallen in conflict.

This Sunday the children will have two opportunities to show their gratitude. They can at 9.30am attend the **family service** at church that will focus on peace and/or attend the short service at 2.15pm at the **war memorial** on the sea front where we shall lay a wreath of poppies. I am grateful to the children who have volunteered to read a passage from the scriptures or say a prayer at the morning service where our school choir will also sing. It would be good to see the church packed with our families.

Christmas preparation. Our minds and efforts are now turning towards Christmas Celebration and in this letter I would like to highlight two events.

Thank you to everyone who donated a tombola prize for the **Christmas Fayre**, the SPSA were delighted to receive so many articles and were overwhelmed by your generosity. Dates and times of the Fayre are on the calendar.

The school has been asked to participate in the **Late Night Shopping event** to be held in Budleigh Salterton on Friday 2nd December starting at 5.45pm. The school will be part of the procession through the town and we should like to children to wear a red santa hat and hold a tea light in a jar to give the effect of latterns. The children will process to sound of the djembe drums and we shall sing a few festive songs (to be taught in school) at the Christmas tree. This is another great opportunity for the school to have a big impact in the community and therefore I hope that you will allow your child to participate. It is also an event that will be full of Christmas spirit and fun. We shall need many parents to walk with the children. Those participating will receive a small gift from the SPSA. Please help us with our planning by

returning the commitment strip at the end of the letter and returning it to school.

Sports news. Due to many children being away in London, a smaller group represented the school at the latest Stockland Cross Country race last week. This time everyone improved their position and had gained in confidence showing excellent progress.

On Monday lunchtime, Miss Kilburn had arranged with PE students from Bicton College a sports lunchtime activity. There was coaching in rugby and football. This will happen every Monday and children will need appropriate sports kit especially boots.

At lunchtime the field will be used for older children to play football but they will need to change out of uniform. Year 6 and 5 will have Tuesday and Thursday, Years 4 and 3 Wednesday and Friday.

An athletics tournament at the community College is scheduled for 21st November, for Year 5 and 6 children.



London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

The London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games are an opportunity to inspire a generation of children.

The Olympic and Paralympic Values are alive in our school. During the previous term pupils attended whole school worship based upon the following Olympic and Paralympic values: Friendship, Respect, Excellence, Determination and Courage. Once we have hosted two further whole school worships on Equality and Inspiration, we will begin to award London 2012 Certificates to those pupils who demonstrate the Olympic and Paralympic values within school.

In the meantime, pupils can find out more about the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic games by visiting www.london2012.com/games/

In addition, pupils can find out more about Olympic and Paralympic sports and play games with the Olympic and Paralympic Mascots, Wenlock and Mandeville, by visiting www.london2012.com/mascots

Reception Starters September 2012 - Children born between 1/9/07 and 31/8/08

The Primary Application facility for parents to apply for Reception places September 2012 has opened and will stay open until 15th January 2012.

Please remember late applications will not be considered above timely ones where schools are oversubscribed. It is essential that parents apply on time!

www.devon.gov.uk/admissiononline



Christmas Dinners

This years Christmas Dinners arrangements will be different to the last previous years. This year Christmas Dinners will take place over three days, these being, Tuesday 6th, Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th December. There will be two sittings per day. The idea is that parents/families can choose a day and time that they can all sit down and enjoy a Christmas dinner together with their child/children. Places on each day will be limited so please make sure that when you receive your booking slips you return them promptly, we will issue tickets on a first come first serve basis. Booking forms and more information will be sent out on Monday 14th November.

Christmas Dinner Menu

Roast Turkey, Sausage and Bacon Roll and Stuffing

Vegetarian Roast with Roast Potatoes

Brussels Sprouts, Carrots, Peas

Cranberry Sauce and Gravy

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Christmas Pudding or Mince Tart or Jelly



Children In Need Friday 18th November

We will have a mufti day on Friday 18th November to raise money for Children In Need. The kitchen staff will be making Pudsey Bear biscuits. The biscuits will be on sale at break time and will cost 30p.

Meningitis Kits

Lloyds Pharmacy kindly donated Meningitis Kits to the school. Kits are not recommended by Devon County Council and there is no epidemic. If parents would like a kit to keep at home, then please feel free to take one. The kits will be in box in the foyer/entrance to the school.

Christmas Fayre - Friday Nov 25th 2011 - 5.00pm-8.30pm - At St Peter's School

Lots of Christmas shopping with stallholders including fancy dress clothing, jewellery, local produce, toiletries, great Christmas gifts and much more! / Santa's grotto / Café with hot food / quality raffle / fun tombola / Children's Fun Room with lots of craft & games for festive fun for everyone!

Stallholders include: A2Z kids, Beloved Beads, Cocoon Naturally Handmade Skincare, The Body Shop, Vertex Graphics t-shirts, Delytes Deli, The Rowan Tree, The Creation Station, Little Stitch, Kimbows, What Katy Did, Made with Love by Charlotte Fleming...

Organised by SPSA St Peter's School Association *'Committed to raising funds to support St Peter's Children'*

Last Chance to view/order Fun Mats

Each Child had produced a piece of artwork that has been made into a coaster; they are for sale at £2.50 each. From this lovely Christmas presents can be produced in the form of mousemats, chopping boards, shopping bags and more. The Fun Mats will be on display in the school Library on Friday 11th November from 2.50pm. The coasters are available to buy now, and any orders must be placed on the order forms provided with payment by FRI DAY 11th NOVEMBER (if any parents have Funmats and not have not paid, please could they send in money owed) into the office marked FUNMATS, all cheques payable to SPSA please.

If any child was absent and didn't produce a mat, or you have siblings that would like to do one please contact me, Kate Harrison on 443082, as they can still be added to the order there are spare drawing sheets left.

Brook Gallery Christmas Competition 2011 - The Legend of the Poinsettia

A separate letter is going out this week about the competition.

Lost Coat

Please could parents check at home for a brand new named black coat. This coat belongs to one of our Y3 boys (Toby R) and he would really like it back.

Mufti day - SPSA tombola prize success!

The winning classes - Y3 and Y4: these two classes donated an incredible 70+ items each with it too close to call an outright winner, so well done to them both and thank you again for your support! They received their prizes of homemade cakes kindly made by Lorraine Ralph in assembly on Tuesday.

Malcolm Elliott

Acting Headteacher

Return slip to confirm that my child will participate in the procession in Budleigh Salterton's Late Night Christmas Shopping event on Friday 2nd December (approximate time - 5.30pm - 7pm)

Name of child _____ Class _____

Number of adults who will accompany child in the possession.-----

Signature of parent/ carer-----

Please return slip to box on the piano in the Hall by Monday 28th November.