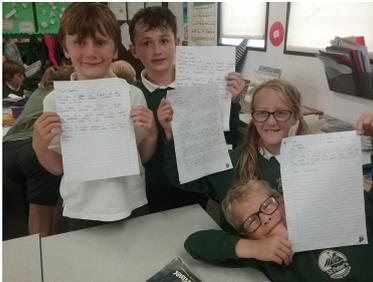


End of year celebrations

It's fast approaching the end of the term. We hold a special celebration assembly to celebrate the achievements of the children over the year. Would anyone like to sponsor our awards (£120)? We also have our year 6 leavers service, where we give out special accolades too. If anyone would like to sponsor the engraving for that, I would be very grateful (£150). Please get in touch!

Curriculum news



Rowan class were so excited to receive a reply from their penpals, all the way from Singapore. They have been writing to our former teacher Mrs Richards and her new class.

The Reception children enjoyed a lovely trip to the Plymouth aquarium. It's a big deal to go on a long trip like this - but they all did a really great job and came back very enthused!



I hope you will have noticed the year 6s doing their 'Enterprise' week as well. They have been coming up with great ideas to raise money. They have also been learning about organs in science, which has included dissecting a heart!!

In other classes I have been delighted to hear about Beech class planting bee-friendly plants; year 1 learning how to cross the road safely; Rowan and Chestnut investigating Greek myths; and Willow class being asked by King Thorgard (a Viking!) to write him some Viking stories. Great fun.

Staff changes for next year

I am very sad to report that we are saying goodbye to some valued members of staff at the end of the term. Mrs Jenkins is going to be leaving to take up a Ministry in Wales. This is a special calling for her, and we will miss her dearly. We will also be losing some valued teaching assistants. Mrs Hitchcock, who is one of our Higher Level assistants, will be going to do her teacher training. We also say goodbye to Mrs Rakestraw, Mrs Maddock and Mrs Lynagh-Smith. We will be giving them all a good send-off at the end of the term.

I am very happy to say that replacing Mrs Jenkins is Miss Poppy Evans, who will be joining the teaching team in September. Many of you will know Miss Evans as she was a teaching assistant with us last year. It is wonderful to have her back.

Did you know about?

Naked cucumbers help the school eradicate single use plastic! Eco Kitchen Update

Please see the website for the full report. Here are some extracts:

Reduce

Our cucumbers now arrive naked and cardboard and paper have replaced plastic bags for our deliveries. We recycle the cardboard boxes they deliver in.

We no longer; buy plastic cups, wrap our melon or cover trays with cling film or buy crisps in plastic packaging. We have taken all single use plastic pot puddings ie yogurts, mousse, sorbets off the menu. School packed lunches are packed in paper bags. We no longer buy single use plastic water bottles for trips, as your children are now bringing in their own reusable water bottles.

Reuse

After the summer term we will revert to reusable plastic trays to replace Fridays bag meal as we can reduce wastage.

Recycle

We separate our plastic bottles, tins and cardboard for recycling. We now have a weekly food waste recycling collection from Vlridor. These changes have reduced our non recycled rubbish by **a whopping 90%!**

Menu

Our current menu is one third meat free with five out of fifteen days either vegetarian or fish based. This is alongside menu development such as using 50/50 soy or vegetarian mince with beef mince in dishes like spaghetti bolognese and adapting recipes for example the sausage plait contains five different vegetables.

I currently grow our own fresh herbs at the back door of the kitchen and would be happy to use any other homegrown produce we can get our hands on!

I would be happy to receive your feedback, questions or ideas for the school kitchen.

Contact me on lunchbunchcafe@stpeters-budleigh.devon.sch.uk

Juliette Smith, Catering Manager

Times table tests for year 4

Each week we encourage you to learn times tables with your children. In year 4 they have to take an online test to find out how many they know. Practicing these in the car or on the way to school is easy - and the children love to get to know them. They can also use the very popular Times Table Rockstars online. Please see your class teacher if you don't have a login.

Reminders

- Next year's early May bank holiday will be moved back by four days for the whole of the UK to coincide with the 75th anniversary of VE Day.
- Only **plain black shoes** are allowed in school. This includes the soles.

School premises after school

It is lovely that we have such a nice school site. However, can I just remind parents that you are responsible for your child at all times. **They must be supervised.** We do need to use the premises and keep it safe for after school clubs etc, so we respectfully ask that **everyone leaves the site no later than 4pm** (unless you are waiting for a club).

What's going on soon?

Saturday 29th June - Summer Fayre - noon till 3pm.

Monday 8th July - SCHOOL CLOSED - INSET day.

Friday 12th July - Reports sent home with classes for next year.

Tuesday 16th July - Parents evening - meet the new teachers.

Wednesday 17th July - End of term Service at St Peter's Church - 10am.

Monday 22nd July 10am - 11am - Year 6 leavers service.

Tuesday 23rd July - Last Day of the Term - 1:30pm finish.

We need your help!

This year for the Summer term I am asking all parents to make a £5 (per child, max £10) **contribution towards resources** for the school. Thank you to those parents that have already paid. If you haven't yet, please pay in the usual way on SchoolComms or the school office.

If anyone has any time to volunteer, we always need more help. We need help **changing books, hearing readers, helping in class and doing outside improvements.** If you have any time to give, or know anyone that does, please get in contact head@sps1.org.uk

PTA reps needed!

If you would like to be a class rep - please let the PTA know!

We hope to see you all at the Summer Fayre (29th June at noon) - this is our very big and important fund-raiser. Tell your friends and family!

