

## Small notices

- As part of our alternative Christmas PTA offer this year, there is a St Peter's Tea Towel coming your way soon! Every child has drawn a small picture of themselves with their name underneath. **If you don't want your child to be on the tea towel, please let me know before 23rd October.**
- Half term is Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October. *We've had no inside information about a two week 'circuit breaker'.*
- Non-uniform day for Harvest (instead of bringing in food) is on Monday 19th October. If it is your PE day, you can do mufti on Tuesday instead. We are asking for a £2 contribution for the Exmouth Food Larder.
- Class photos will be with you shortly. Sorry for the delay, but there is a backlog.

## Swimming pool - payment reminder - and request for Hardship fund

A HUGE thank you to all the parents who have already paid their £15 per term so far. We are well on the way to our total amount. If you haven't paid, there is a reminder letter coming your way.

- We really do need everyone to pay - it is the only way we can all benefit.

Please pay using School Gateway or at the school office.

**We need to set up a hardship fund** for those parents that aren't able to afford the yearly swimming pool payment. I know so many of you have offered to overpay so far, and I am pleased to say that facility is now available on School Gateway. We will use these donations to set up a hardship fund for those that aren't able to currently make a payment.

## Pencil case contents - please check

Please make sure your child has these essential items. These are more important than gel pens and Sharpies!

- 2 x HB pencils
- Pencil sharpener and eraser (not a novelty ones)
- 2 x writing pens (not Biro)
- A glue stick
- Colouring pencils
- Ruler

## Stick and Split

Last term we helped pilot a game to help pupils learn multiplication and division for a local company. It's called Stick and Split.

We think it's a really good way for your child to develop a genuine fluency with numbers, which really helps them with multiplication and division. It's a much better way to understand times tables than play Times Table Rockstars. And it's fun!

**We would like your child to play this for at least 10 minutes a week.** Once they are on it, I am sure they will want to play more!

Find their access code and how to download it [here](#), or on the main class information page here -

<https://www.st-peters-school.org.uk/class-info/>

## School dinners - update on meal change requests

Thank you for continuing to support the school kitchen during this time. We have been working hard to adapt to the new requirements of the COVID-19 guidelines. As a result of these changes unfortunately we can only offer individual choices or meal adaptations to those children who have specific medical dietary requirements.

If a child does not like a particular element of a meal they will not be asked to eat it all, but in line with the school policy children are asked to try everything on their plate. Often, once eating with their friends and encouraged by meal-time assistants they are likely to try new foods and broaden their choices!

### **Changes to Week 2 Menu starting next week**

- Tuesdays; chicken goujons with chips and peas replaces sweet and sour chicken
- Thursdays; sticky toffee pudding replaces apple and apricot crumble
- Fridays; chocolate shortbread biscuit replaces the date slice

### **100 club launched!**

We managed to get just over 100 members for the 200 club, which means there will be a little over £1000 for the school PTA. A big thanks to Spencer and Natalie for setting this up.

And so....the first winners!

- 1st Geraline Chatterton £53.50
- 2nd Carl Sawyer £32.10
- 3rd Martha Gordon £21.40

Not bad for a £20 entry and there are 9 more draws to go!

### **Face mask hygiene**

Thank you again for wearing your face masks/coverings to school. Please be aware that kissing your child through the mask has the potential to transfer germs from the mask to them.

- You should clean your hands before, after and at any time you have touched your face covering.

## **DROP OFF & PICK UP REMINDERS**

### Drop offs

- One parent only. Any gate.
  - Nursery - 9am (at the Nursery gates)
  - 08:45 - Cedar, Sycamore and Cherry
  - 08:55 - Willow, Rowan and Chestnut
  - 09:05 - Beech, Ash and Oak

### Pick ups

- One way system: Enter via Moor Lane gate - Exit via the Green Gates.
- Wait on a blue dot in the playground.
  - 15:00 - Nursery
  - 15:15 - Cedar, Sycamore and Cherry
  - 15:25 - Willow, Rowan and Chestnut
  - 15:35 - Beech, Oak and Ash

## **What's going on soon?**

### **Term dates:**

<https://www.st-peters-school.org.uk/parents/term-dates/>

**Mon 13th Oct** - MUFTI day

**HALF TERM - Mon 26th - Fri 30th October**

### **PTA AGM**

Thurs 12th Nov 20:00

### **NON PUPIL DAY**

Monday 23rd Nov

### **Parents meetings**

Wb Monday 23rd Nov

**Mufti day** - 1st December

**Last day of term, school closes at 1.30pm Friday 18th Dec**

### **New term starts**

Tues 5th Jan

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