



St Peter's CE Academy, Alton

Newsletter April 2022



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Welcome to...

Freyja who has joined us in Nursery this half term. We hope she will be very happy here!

Parent Pay

Please check your Parent Pay account weekly for visits, meals, out of hours club and Nursery fees. Please make sure all outstanding items are paid by the end of each half term - **all accounts should be clear for this half term by Friday, 15 April at the latest please.** School meals should be paid weekly in advance as we are invoiced by our supplier and the money is taken from the school budget until it is recouped via your payments on Parent Pay. Thank you!

SportStars UK

The SportStars after school club continues on Mondays and is available to Years R to 4, subject to availability of spaces. To book a place, please visit www.sportstarsuk.co.uk or contact them on 01332 368000.

School Council - Wow!



The School Council thanks you all for your tremendous support of the sponsored run that took place on **Monday, 21st March**. An amazing £1079.50 was raised, most of which we are able to gift aid to give a final total of £1318.25.

The School Council are having a great time looking through the catalogues and choosing new equipment for break times and lunch times.

A huge thank you to Mrs Grocott and Miss Burrows for helping the School Council with the organisation of this event!

Easter Activities



Easter competition - decorate a hard boiled egg and submit your entry to Mrs Tatton by Monday, 4th April then vote via the PTA Facebook page! Winners will be announced on Friday, 8th April. Details have already been sent via email.

Busy Bodies Easter Egg Hunt and activities on Thursday, 7th April, 3.15pm to 4.30pm. Details have already been sent via email. Please book via Mrs Tatton or the school office.

Easter performance - in St Peter's Church on Wednesday, 6th April at 9.15am. All welcome!

Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Bonnet Parade - bring your decorated Easter bonnets in to school on Friday, 8th April. Parents are invited to the parade in the playground at 3.00pm.



Science 'Wow' Day

On Thursday, 7th April we will be celebrating a Science 'Wow' Day.

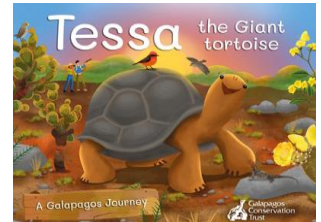
As part of her work with the Galapagos Conservation Trust, Miss Langford will be sharing their new book with us before it goes to print this month!

'Tessa the Giant Tortoise: A Galapagos Journey,' tells the story of a giant tortoise

as she undertakes her annual migration on the Galapagos Islands. By joining Tessa children will learn and reflect on the positive relationship they can have with nature through everyday environmentally friendly actions.

We have many exciting activities planned for the day and look forward to sharing them with your children.

As this is a science explorer day, your child can choose to come dressed as an explorer, a tortoise or in tortoise/earth/green/brown colours if they wish.



PE - Summer term 2022



PE will continue as follows:

Whole school - PE lessons will continue for the whole school on **Mondays** supported by SportStars UK. Please come to school dressed in PE kit for the day as usual.

Classes 2 and 3 (Years 1 to 4) - please continue to bring PE kit in a named bag to school on Fridays.

Nursery and Reception - please continue to bring PE kit in a named bag to school on Thursdays.

Busy Bodies Out of Hours Club

We are pleased to report that Busy Bodies Out of Hours Club remains a great success!

Sessions are led by Mrs Tatton assisted by Mrs Martin. Fees are payable through Parent Pay and will be added to your Parent Pay account every Friday as follows:

Mornings

7.30-8.45 a.m. £5.00

Afternoons

3.15-4.30 p.m. £6.00

3.15-6 p.m. £9.00

There is a 10% discount for a sibling attending the same sessions.

Please book through the office (phone or email) or direct with Busy Bodies staff. Your support is much appreciated!

Please also see the Easter section for Busy Bodies activities!



School Association (PTA)

The minutes of the last meeting are posted on the noticeboard in the entrance hall and the school web site. The meetings are currently held on Zoom. The Governors, staff and children appreciate the tremendous support given by the School Association and are grateful for the recent purchase of 6 new iPads and a charging trolley - thank you so much! All parents are welcome to join/attend the meetings by following the link circulated ahead of the meetings. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 27th April at 7.00pm - link to follow nearer the date.

The School Association thank you for supporting the recent fundraising including the disco, cake raffle and Mothering Sunday stall.

Forthcoming events include a family event on Friday, 17th June - more details to follow!

Cheadle and District Foodbank

On the first Sunday of each month, St Peter's Church is planning a collection of non perishable food items to be delivered to Cheadle and District Foodbank. If you would like to contribute, you are invited to take items to church by the Friday before the first Sunday or you may hand your donations in to the school office. Please remember they must be non perishable and have a good use by date! Thank you for your support.

Reminders

- If your child is to be absent through illness, please contact the office by 9.30am on the first morning.
- Please ensure all children bring a coat to school each day.
- Please remember to bring a school bag each day containing any reading and exercise books, equipment and homework.
- Please respect our neighbours and **DO NOT PARK ON OR OPPOSITE** the yellow lines outside the school gates. Please also mention this to anyone else who may be dropping off or collecting your child.
- Bikes and scooters should be parked carefully in the rack provided and **not ridden in the playground**.
- If you walk your dog to school with you, please can you be mindful that not all children like dogs so please can you stand away from the gates.



Dates for the calendar

Date	Applies to	Event/Activity
April		
Monday, 4 th	All	Entry deadline for decorated hard boiled egg - Busy Bodies competition
Monday, 4 th	All	Relax Kids session
Tuesday, 5 th	All	Drumming workshop
Wednesday, 6 th	All	Easter Service in St Peter's Church - 9.15am
Thursday, 7 th	All	Science 'Wow Day' - optional earth colours (green/brown) non uniform
Thursday, 7 th	All	Busy Bodies Easter Egg Hunt and activities night
Friday, 8 th	All	'Voting' closes for Busy Bodies decorated egg competition at 12 noon. Winners announced at 3.00pm
Friday, 8 th	All	Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Bonnet Parade 3.00pm
Friday, 8 th	All	End of Spring term
Monday, 25 th	All	School closed - staff training day (INSET)
Tuesday, 26 th	All	School re-opens for the summer term
Wednesday, 27 th	All	School Association meeting at 7.00pm on Zoom
May		
Monday, 2 nd	All	School closed for Bank Holiday
Thursday, 5 th	Class 3	Observing Holy Communion in St Peter's Church (am)
Tuesday, 10 th	Year R	Reception year screening with the School Nurse
Wednesday, 25 th	All	Sports Day (am) - weather permitting on the field opposite the village hall
Thursday, 26 th	All	Reserve Sports Day (am) - weather permitting on the field opposite the village hall
Friday, 27 th	All	School closes for half term