



St Peter's CE Academy, Alton

Newsletter

October/November 2022



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School Photographs

The School Photographer will be in school on Thursday 3rd November. She will be starting from 8.45am, so if you would like to bring in siblings, please arrive at this time for your photos.

Please ensure your child comes in full school uniform on that day. (If your child usually has PE on a Thursday, please send kit in a bag). Many thanks.

Gymnastics Visits

Years 1 - 4 will be visiting the Big Top in Uttoxeter for gymnastics sessions on Tuesday throughout November. All children should come to school in uniform and bring Gym/PE kit in a bag. (PE kit or shorts is fine, or a leotard, but only if you have one).

There is no cost, however please give your consent on Parent Pay. Thank you

For these weeks only Yr1-4 will not need PE kit on Thursday or Friday.

Flu Vaccinations

Letters have been sent out this week regarding Flu Vaccinations in school for Years Reception to Year 4 on the 8th November.

If you wish for your child to receive the vaccine, please ensure you complete the consent form as directed on the letter. Thank you

Busy Bodies

We are pleased to report that Busy Bodies Out of Hours Club successfully continues.

Sessions are led by Mrs Tatton assisted by Mrs Martin.

Fees will be payable through Parent Pay on a weekly basis please and will be added to your Parent pay account, charges for each week will be showing in your account by the following Monday at the latest. Charges are as follows:

Mornings

7.30-8.45 a.m. £5.30

Afternoons

3.15-4.30 p.m. £6.30

3.15-6.00 p.m. £9.30

There will be 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 and we look forward to continued success!



Food Bank

There is a collection point for Cheadle Foodbank in the Church on the left as you go in. Anyone can leave donations there any time, along with other church member's donations. Besides food, they also ask for toiletries eg shampoo, deodorant, shower gel, toothpaste etc. The food bank will not take alcohol, home made jams or any fresh, perishable items.

Thank you.

NUT ALLERGIES

Remember we are a nut free school as we have a child with a severe **nut allergy**. Please take care with any food items brought in to school eg snacks, packed lunches, birthday cakes etc. Thank you!

Cool Milk

Cool Milk have been having some supplier issues and have been unable to get our deliveries to us for the past week or so, for which they have apologised. This situation has now been resolved, therefore the provision of milk will re-commence after half term.

If you usually pay for your child's milk, you will receive a refund direct from Cool Milk.

School Pick Up

Please can we request that when you are collecting your child after school, you ensure you are visible to your child's teacher so that they can dismiss your child to you quickly and safely. Thank you.

Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for a Lunchtime Supervisor on Wednesdays and Thursdays, 12.00pm to 1.00pm. If you or anyone you know may be interested, please see Mrs Moyes for further information

Bag to School

We are running the Bag2School Scheme again this year to raise funds for school. A bag and leaflet has been sent home this week - please support us if you can by donating men's, ladies' and children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belt and accessories.

Please return your bag to school on the morning of Thursday 3rd November, by 9.00am.

Thanks very much for your support

Pyjama Day

We have our Pyjama Day organised by the School Council on Thursday 20th October.

Children are to come to school in their pyjamas on that day.

If your child usually has PE, no kit is

A Few Reminders

WHOLE SCHOOL - REMEMBER TO WEAR PE KIT TO SCHOOL ON MONDAYS

CLASS 1 - REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR PE KIT IN YOUR BAG ON THURSDAYS

CLASSES 2 AND 3 - REMEMBER TO WEAR PE KIT ON FRIDAYS

- Please ensure all items of clothing are named.
- Please make sure your child brings a coat to school each day.
- Nail varnish, make up and jewellery are NOT allowed.
- Please take care and be considerate when parking - please don't obstruct our neighbours' drives or the staff car park.
- Please don't park on or opposite the yellow zigzags outside the school.
- Please remember that if your child is absent from school you must inform school of the situation by 9.15am (01538 702321 or office@ast-peters-alton.staffs.sch.uk). In line with NHS Norovirus guidelines, if your child has been sick or had diarrhoea after school or during the night, please keep them at home for at least 2 days following the last bout.
- Please ensure all long hair is tied back. This is the time of year that head lice are usually prevalent. We haven't had cases reported to us so far but we would appreciate you checking your children regularly and treating the **whole family** as required.
- A school bag each day containing any reading and exercise books, equipment and homework. **As space is limited, the school book bags are best as they fit in trays and the bag box in Class 1!**
- Bikes and scooters should be parked carefully in the rack provided and **not ridden in the playground.**
- Please can we politely remind you, that if you walk your dog to school, please stand away from the gates as there are children in school who are afraid of them.
- Emergency School Closure - an email will be sent to each nominated parent and notified on the Staffordshire County Council school closure list:

www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/schoolsandcolleges/emergencyclosures/schoolclosurelist

PTA Update

The PTA is us, the parents and the teachers from St. Peter's. The aim of the PTA is to raise funds to help support activities within the school, things that aren't covered by the school budget. This includes funding entertainers and visitors to come in to school. The circus science entertainer this week was funded by the PTA. In addition we support travel and treats on school trips, extra things in the classroom to support art, craft and project activities.

We aim to raise £2000 each school year to enable these extras to continue.

We've had a flying start to the year with a successful stall at Alton's Apple Day. Thank you for your donations for the tombola and cake sale. We raised a fantastic £250.00.

We're not stopping there, in half term the White Hart are holding a Halloween Disco on Friday 28th October 6-8pm. They are supporting the PTA by letting us hold a raffle and sell hot dogs. The raffle has been generously supported by local businesses, farmers and producers. All of the prizes are made or local to Alton. Please see Helen Stone or Nathan Riches at school drop off / pick up for tickets if you can't make it on the night.

Jade Power-Vaughan has kindly offered her cake decorating skills and will be hosting a Christmas cake decorating night in early December. She's shared her great grandmother's Christmas cake recipe with us which we'll be selling for £1 from 31st October so you can get baking. If you are not a baker you are very welcome to buy a fruit / sponge cake to bring to the decorating evening. This will be a fun evening with drinks and nibbles.

The children in school have been busy completing pictures of themselves ready to go on to tea towels and bags which the PTA will be selling soon. These will make fantastic Christmas presents.

If you have any ideas or would like to be involved, please join us on Monday 7th November for the next meeting (Zoom link to be shared soon).



Dates for the calendar

Date	Applies to	Event/Activity
October		
Thursday 20 th	All	School Council's Pyjama Day
Friday 21 st	All	School closed - INSET day
Monday 24 th to Friday 28 th	All	Half term break
Monday 31 st	All	Busy Bodies Spooky Party
November		
Tuesday 1 st	Class 2 and 3 (Yrs 1,2,3 & 4)	Gymnastics at the Big Top, Uttoxeter
Wednesday 2 nd	All	Library van - please bring your library card if you have one
Thursday 3 rd	All	School Photographer (from 8.45am)
Thursday 3 rd		Bag2School Drop Off Day
Tuesday 8 th	Class 2 and 3 (Yrs 1,2,3 & 4)	Gymnastics at the Big Top, Uttoxeter
Tuesday 8 th	Years Reception to Year 4	Flu Vaccinations
Tuesday 15 th	Class 2 and 3 (Yrs 1,2,3 & 4)	Gymnastics at the Big Top, Uttoxeter
Wednesday 16 th	All	Library van - please bring your library card if you have one
Wednesday 16 th	All	Bumble Bees Workshops
Friday 18 th	All	Hoglets Themed Workshop in School
Tuesday 22 nd	Class 2 and 3 (Yrs 1,2,3 & 4)	Gymnastics at the Big Top, Uttoxeter
Wednesday 30 th	All	Library van - please bring your library card if you have one
December		
Wednesday 14 th	All	Nativity 2.00pm and 6.00pm in Church
Wednesday 14 th	All	Library van - please bring your library card if you have one
2023		
March		
Wednesday 29 th	All	Easter Service 9.10am in Church
May		
Wednesday 24 th	All	Sports Day (reserve day 25 th May if weather is bad)
July		
Weds 19 th and Thurs 20 th	All	Summer Production
Tuesday 25 th	All	Leavers Service 2.00pm in Church