



St Peter's CE Primary School

Bratton

# NEWSLETTER

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of the spring term. It has been wonderful to see all the children back in school over the last 4 weeks. They have settled so well and enjoyed their time back in school and it has been great to get away from remote learning and back into the classroom. Thank you all for your support of school and your children's education over the last half-term.

We return after Easter on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April, into the summer term. A summer term that will not be normal, but where we hope to get closer to normal than of late and hopefully begin to tentatively lift some of the restrictions that we see in schools.

We are having our Easter service on Teams this afternoon, remembering Jesus' death and resurrection, the meaning of Easter. I wish you all a very happy Easter and let's hope we get some sunshine.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

## UPDATES AND INFORMATION

### **Informing us of positive coronavirus tests:**

If your child tests positive for coronavirus up to and including Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April, please let us know by emailing [stpetersholidaycovid@gmail.com](mailto:stpetersholidaycovid@gmail.com) We can then work with track and trace to see if there is an impact on other pupils or staff. Positive tests after this date should not impact on school bubbles and you don't need to inform us.

### **Consultation on Relationships and Sex Education:**

You may be aware through the media that schools across England are rewriting their policies on what is taught in Relationships and Sex Education, following new government guidance. This was all due to come into effect in September 2020 but was extended to September 2021 due to the pandemic. The title can be

a little off putting but essentially what this is about is children knowing about their body, the changes that happen to them as they go into puberty, that their body is their own body and how a baby is made.

We have put together a plan of how this will look at St Peter's from September 2021 and we are now asking you for your views. Attached is the draft policy and included in it is an overview of what would be covered in each year group. In putting this together, we have used guidance from the Department for Education, training and information from the PSHE (Personal Social and Health Education) Association and guidance from the Church of England.

In our plan we have also shared what elements parents can withdraw their children from. These are the non-statutory elements, marked in red.

If you have a view you would like to share about the proposal we have put together, please email it to [stpetersconsultation@gmail.com](mailto:stpetersconsultation@gmail.com) . Depending on the number and nature of responses we receive, we may respond generally or individually. The consultation will run until Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

### **Soda**

Soda's latest update is attached, please take a look at what she's been up to with the children this week.

### **Returning Laptops and Devices Reminder:**

Many of you have borrowed laptops and routers from school for remote learning during lockdown.

We hope that lockdowns are now at an end! We would now like our devices back so that we can start teaching computing in the way that we would like!

Therefore....

If you borrowed a device, put it and the charger into a bag and bring that into school by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Your child can pass it to their teacher, put it into the drop box at school reception or hand it in to school reception. If you want a receipt, please take it to school reception.

If the laptop has any faults or sustained any damage, please let us know in advance by sending us an email and please make sure the bag / laptop **has your child's name on it!**

We will quarantine the devices once they are returned and they will be serviced by our IT technician as soon as possible.

Should we end up in a position where we must close a bubble, we will make devices and routers available to borrow again.

Thank you to everyone that has returned theirs, this is just a reminder for those that haven't.

### **Red Nose Day:**

Thank you for all the donations for Comic Relief! We raised £305 in total.

We are hoping to have the video of the children sharing their jokes uploaded to TEAMS either today or early next week. We hope you enjoy watching them.

## Visiting Author Reminder:

Last local children's author Gemma Everson joined us online to read her book and answer questions about it.



Attached is a letter from Gemma which outlines information about the book and what to do if you would like to purchase a signed copy.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer term starts
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May to Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Half term
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	End of term