



St Peter's
CE Primary School
Bratton

NEWSLETTER

Friday 28th June 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

There are lots of updates in the newsletter this week, a significant one being the summer fete which is two weeks today! Please come along to this super event.

Can I particularly draw parents' attention to the online safety update this week, which you might find helpful.

Thank you to all the parents who came along to KS1 sports day this week. Everyone enjoyed themselves.

Finally, it looks like a hot week is coming next week. Can we take this opportunity to remind everyone to be prepared with sun hats, sunscreen and water.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

UPDATES AND INFORMATION:

Online Safety:

How much do you think you know about online safety? The NSPCC have launched a new quiz to test parents vs kids knowledge about online safety – you can find it here

<https://www.o2.co.uk/help/nspcc/parents-vs-kids/play#/>

We have also become aware that O2 will give free 1:1 Guru sessions in store or on the phone (you don't need to be an O2 customer) for help in setting security settings or any other online help. You can visit

<https://www.o2.co.uk/help/nspcc> or the phone contact is Tel: 0808 800 5002

A Vision for St Peter's CE Bratton:

As part of our focus over the coming months, we are rewriting our vision. School has had aims over the years, but we are endeavouring to encompass what school stands for in a simple approach, that can be understood by the school community.

In writing our vision and values, we have considered all that a school stands for – learning, progress, our Christian basis, our work to nurture children and our support for their overall health and wellbeing.

We have been working on this now for some time. A group of staff and governors have met to explore this and we have also received some advice from our Christian Distinctiveness Adviser. We came up with some proposals that children and staff have fed back on. This established which set of values we were going to use. The full governing body have discussed the proposal and made a further refinement.

Having led this process before in schools, I can honestly say it doesn't get any easier! We've tried to be very inclusive in our approach and respect the different values of our school community.

Our draft vision, mission and values reads as:

Vision: Enriching lives every day

Mission: To enable our school community to learn, achieve and flourish through living 'life in all its fullness'

Values:

Excellence, Nurture, Respect, Integrity, Compassion, Hope

There are no plans to change our school logo or colours. But these values would be the half-termly themes for worship and would replace the 4Cs.

This is what is behind each of the aspects.

Vision: Enriching lives everyday. *Through this we are outlining that we want everyone's lives to improve and to be better tomorrow than they are today. That is what we are striving towards. 'Enriching' encompasses this, but deliberately doesn't narrow to a particular area. Lives – we haven't narrowed this to who or in what way. Although our core purpose is learning, we do considerably more than this. There is a social element, a spiritual element as well as others and these applies to families and staff as well as the children we are here for.*

Mission: Learn and achieve encompasses the learning and progress that we want children to make, each child achieving their potential. Life in all its fullness is a strapline from the Church of England, coming from John 10:10. This is outlined here <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/education-and-schools> along with further links. However, it is also something that is inclusive of those with Christian faith, non-Christian faith and of no faith.

Values: The values are the set of characteristics we want to embrace as a school. We deliberately have 6 so that there is one per half-term.

How you can help us:

If you've got an opinion about the proposed vision and values, please share it with us. Either by emailing it to the school office stbetersbratton@taw.org.uk or by writing to us and dropping it into the office.

Please put 'vision and values' as the subject. We won't reply to responses, but it will be very helpful to have the views of parents on this

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

School Fete:

Dear Parents,

St Peters Annual Summer Fete is on Friday 12th July, from 3.15 onwards.

This year as ever promises to be a fabulous afternoon for the children to enjoy.

If you have any good quality children's books or unwanted gifts that can be used please could these be sent to school by Friday 5th July. Also, any crockery for the crockery smash.

On the day of the fete, children can wear their own clothes in return for donations of bottles and chocolates for the tombolas and cakes for the cake stall.

As ever, the fete runs on volunteers and any help is gratefully appreciated, everyone is most welcome. To volunteer please contact myself, Julie Foulkes, on 07747 632150.

All money raised, is used to buy much needed resources for school and its children.

Yours sincerely

Julie Foulkes and Andrea Fishman

School Association.

Charlton School

Following fantastic success over the last 10 years, Charlton School will be holding its annual outdoor event, Charltonbury, on the 9th July 2019. This event, which is popular with the local community, has become a regular showcase for talented musicians, featuring a fete, food stalls and live music. Please see the article below from the Shropshire Star for further details:

<https://www.shropshirestar.com/entertainment/telford-entertainment/2019/06/10/charltonbury-is-ready-to-rock/>

Charltonbury falls within the transition phase this year and would be a great opportunity for parents and children to further explore the school and get a feel for Charlton life. Please find a poster for Charltonbury for your information.

UPDATES FROM THE CLASSES:

The last few weeks Year 2 have been working hard at their Science lessons. We have been observing and describing how seeds grow into mature plants. WE have looked at some key questions: What does this bulb need to start growing? How could we care for this bulb? (Give it water, warmth, nutrients.) We often think that bulbs need soil, because in this country we usually see plants growing in soil. But plants can grow just in water, so long as the water has the right food in it to keep the plants healthy. We have been looking at **hydroponics** and what it means. Ask your children if they can tell you what it means. Growing plants in water. Can you imagine where it would be really useful to be able to grow plants without soil? Especially edible plants? (Cold places with no soil - Iceland, Antarctica -, hot places with no soil - Sahara, *Mars*.) *Year 2* have up an organic hydroponics farm in the classroom.

What a GREAT way to learn our Science! Every morning they are excited to see the changes from a bean, shoot, roots, stem and now leaves. What excitement we have in class!





Ella - Gold

Mischa - Bronze

Lilly Mae - Silver

These year 3 pupils recently achieved gold, silver and bronze in a gymnastics competition. Well done girls.

Football

A successful and busy week of football. The Year 5 and 6 team played in the last stages of the Plate competition. They were narrowly beaten in the Semi- Finals by the eventual winners. They then won the 3rd and 4th place match. There was some direct and precise passing on show with teamwork shown by all.

Then last Wednesday a 5a side tournament was played. Bratton topped their league and managed to get all the way to the final. Here it was another close encounter and we were unfortunately beaten 1-0.



SPORTS DAY:

Key Stage One completed their sports day on Wednesday. Children were able to compete in a number of different events to win points for their coloured team. Everyone showed fantastic sporting spirit and cheered each other on through the events. Thank you to everyone that came along to support us and to the year six helpers.

Well done white team for winning the most points.





DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Friday 12 th July	School Fete – details to follow
Tuesday 16 th July	Hopes and Fears Workshop Year 6 – details to follow
Wednesday 17 th July	Leavers Service in school Year 6 pupils and parents only – details to follow
Thursday 18 th July	Year 6 Leavers Service 10am St Peter's Church, Wrockwardine
Friday 19 th July	End of term