



WHO KNOWS WHERE THE TIME GOES?

As I sit writing this, the sun is shining and there isn't a cloud in the sky – certainly very different to the weather that we've experienced over the past few weeks. It feels like a completely different season (and astronomically it technically *is* a different season!). Closing the school for three successive days is certainly unprecedented in my time at St. Peter and St. Paul's CE Primary School and is not something that we wish to do again any time soon! The decision to close the school is never one that is taken lightly. We do appreciate the inconvenience this causes and we thank you for your understanding recently.

Because of the way the terms have fallen this year, we have decided to hold our second round of Parents' Evenings at the beginning of Term 5. We are hoping for another fantastic turnout as we look forward to sharing information regarding the progress the children are making and the next steps in their learning as we enter the final third of the year.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to personally thank children, parents and staff for all the congratulatory messages since I was appointed to my 'new' role last month. The support received from the school community since September made the decision to apply for the permanent Headteacher position very straightforward. I am absolutely delighted to have been deemed worthy of the role and feel privileged to lead such a wonderful team which aims to provide the best possible education for our children!

Mr. Hurdman
Headteacher

ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOL (1)

We are aware of recent incidents involving the 'crossing' near school. We urge all parents and children to take care using this. It is only a recommended safe place to cross, so please make sure all vehicles have stopped before using it. Do not presume that road users will stop to let you cross - it is not a zebra crossing. *Well done to the two Year 4 children (and others) who always use the crossing in the car park, regardless of how busy it is!*

GOOD NEWS! We have rearranged World Book Day for Thursday 19th April. Please come dressed as a character from a favourite book. The Y6 Residential, originally postponed due to the snowy weather, has also been rearranged for Wednesday 18th-Friday 20th April. Thank you for your patience.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Note: Dates may change and be added to!
Look out for text messages and letters.
Please visit our website too.

Monday 16th April
Start of Term 5

Wed 18th – Fri 20th April
Y6 PGL Residential (rearranged)

Thursday 19th April
World Book Day (rearranged)

Friday 20th April
PFTA Discos (provisional)

Mon 23rd & Tue 24th April
Parents' Evenings

Monday 7th May
School Closed – Bank Holiday

Wednesday 23rd May
Y6 Church Schools Festival (Lincoln)

TBC ASAP (towards the end of T5)
Sports Days

Friday 25th May
End of Term 5

Monday 4th June
Start of Term 6

Please see our website for more term dates.

ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOL (2)

Since the last newsletter there has been a significant improvement in terms of parents not using the school car park (upper or lower) to drop off and pick up. THANK YOU! However, we do still have a couple of persistent offenders who have on occasion restricted access for staff and prevented parents and carers with a genuine need from using the car park and accessible spaces. Please do not use the lower or upper car park (including after clubs) unless you have been given permission by Mr. Hurdman or Mrs. Barry.

REMEMBER: CHILDREN BREAK UP AT 3:15pm ON WEDNESDAY 28th MARCH & RETURN ON MONDAY 16th APRIL!

OFSTED INSPECTION UPDATE

By now you will have read the outcome of our Ofsted inspection back in February. It is on the Ofsted website and our school website. As a school we are happy that it accurately reflects where we are at the moment. Because it is five years since the school last received a two-day inspection (known as Section 5), Ofsted are due to visit us again anytime from Term 5 onwards for two days to see how we are getting on.

SPORT RELIEF

Thank you to the School Council, Mrs. Gould and the adult helpers for organising and running last Friday's Sport Relief six-charity challenge. We will announce the final figure raised when all sponsor money has been received. Thank you so much for supporting this event, enabling us to show compassion towards others by supporting the **six** charities which all have some significance to our school community.

SPORT NEWS

The first three months of 2018 have been very busy where sport at our school is concerned. Back in January and February, children from Y5 and Y6 took part in the Aquasplash Swimming Gala at the Meridian Leisure Centre in Louth. Children from Key Stage One also took part in a Multi-Skills Festival and children from across the school competed in a 'Speed, Agility and Quickness' event, both held at Skegness Grammar School.

This term, having previously taken part in a Talent Day at Skegness Grammar School, our Y6 High 5 mixed netball squad subsequently finished as runners up in the local area competition, leading to them competing at the County Finals at the Mears Leisure Centre in Grantham.

In Hockey, our school recently took part in the area Y5/6 Quicksticks competition for the first time. Clearly the day spent with Olympic Team GB Hockey player Sally Walton (who visited our school on 27th February) had a huge impact on Y5 and Y6. Our two Y5 teams narrowly missed out on the top spots during their event, with 'Burgh 1' missing out by a single goal and 'Burgh 2' finishing 3rd - one point behind the eventual winners (Woodhall). The Y6 teams were just as impressive. 'Burgh 4' finished 3rd in their event, whilst 'Burgh 3' dominated proceedings and are now waiting to play Woodhall for a place in the County Finals.

Last week ten children from Key Stage 2 were invited to take part in a Multi-Skills Talent Day at SGS. Well done to all children who have represented the school in so many different sporting events so far this year - we are very proud of you all. Thank you also to parents and friends of the school for your sporting support!

START-OF-THE-DAY PUNCTUALITY 😊

This has improved noticeably – thank you! Remember, our gates open at 8:35am and the children should be IN CLASS by 8:45am.

Y2 SAT TESTS: May 2018

Y6 SAT TESTS:

Mon 14th – Thurs 17th May 2018

Y1 PHONICS SCREENING:

w/b Mon 11th June 2018

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

If there's something you need to tell us or ask us then a quick note, asking at the office or arranging a convenient time to see us are usually the quickest and most reliable methods of getting in touch. Unfortunately, emails can get lost amongst the 100's we receive each day or fall victim to our 'Junk' filter! Key points of first contact are your child's teacher, the office for day-to-day administrative issues (including meals) and Miss Leetham, our SENDCo (Special Educational Needs and Disability Co-ordinator). If you need a member of the Senior Leadership Team and Mr. Hurdman is unavailable, then Mrs. Walton, our Acting Deputy Headteacher, will be happy to assist you.

Easter reminds us that hope must never be lost. As dark as the road may seem, there always lies light at the end of it. May the miracle of Easter bring you renewed hope, faith, love and joy.
HAPPY EASTER TO ALL MEMBERS OF OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY!