



## St Peter`s C of E (Aided) Primary School

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### Newsletter – 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022

#### Year 1 & 2 Trip to Arundel Castle



Castles, knights, drawbridges and barbicans all certainly captured the imagination of our Key Stage 1 children, during this first half of the Summer term, but it wasn't until we saw the children's awe and wonder, whilst walking through the gates of Arundel Castle, that the adults in KS1 realised how powerful a school trip could be for our children's learning. Every child was immediately captivated by the grand towers and great battlements that stood tall as we walked to the castle's entrance.

The 131 steps to the castle's keep did not deter the children's enthusiasm and thirst for knowledge. They were intrigued by the thought of what it might have been like to live, as a part of a community, in such a historic building. Dressing up and acting out roles within the castle community only added to the children's experience of castle life and understanding of the jobs people may have had whilst living in Arundel Castle. For the adults present, it was a privilege to share the experience with the children and we hope the ***pictures (on the homepage of our school website)*** capture some of the awe and wonder experienced.

Each child did our school proud and many visitors to the castle stopped to praise their behaviour and respectful nature. Our final half term of the school year will allow us to relive and build upon what was a magical school trip to Arundel castle and we look forward to sharing the learning outcomes with our school community.

Report by Mr Cox.

### **JUBILEE PICNIC – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

I am sure that you are aware that the Parish Council have organised a Jubilee Picnic from 2pm to 8pm at the Cowfold Recreation Ground, on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June. St Peter's School will be singing three songs to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee at 4pm. Please could the children wear their school uniform to the picnic and gather by the school staff shortly before 4pm, on the day?

### **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Open Afternoon – 2pm**

We do hope that you can come to our Open Afternoon which is designed as a chance for you to see all the work your child has done over the course of this school year.

**Jubilee Stamp Exhibition** – There will also be an exhibition of large stamp designs, made by the children, in the hall for you to see. Each class has taken a decade from within Queen Elizabeth's reign and the stamps have been designed to represent that decade.

**2pm Handover** – At 2pm, on Friday 10<sup>th</sup>, we will do the normal home time procedure. Classes will come out on to the playground and teachers will hand the children over to parents / carers. The children will not have their bags, though. These can be collected as you leave. From then onwards, pupils are their parents responsibility. You are welcome to stay as long as you like but, if you feel that you have had enough time looking at you child's work, you are free to go home at any point after 2pm.

Any pupils who do not have an adult at Open Afternoon will be given useful roles so that they do not feel left out. Collection time, for these pupils, is 3:15pm as normal. Please inform the office if this applies to your child.

**Teas, coffees & ice creams** – FoSPS will be selling teas, coffees and ice creams during the afternoon. We will also do the 'Cake Raffle' at some point. We do hope that you can make this event.

### **Thank You for the Clubs**

On behalf of everyone I just wanted to thank all the staff and parents who ran an after school club, last half of term and before Easter. It was kind of them to give up their time to do so. Thank you for all the work that has gone in to organising such successful activities for the children. I'd particularly like to mention our parent / family volunteers:

Pete Harsum, Hamish Barnett,  
Louise Stonestreet, Nichola Favell,  
Mandy Sunderland and Kim Jones

As the second half of term is so busy, there won't be any new clubs until September 2022.



Photo - Key Stage One Craft Club.



### School Photos – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Please don't forget that the children will be having school photos in the first week back after half term. They must have a green school jumper, fleece or cardigan for the photos. Thank you.

### Future INSET Days

**NEXT INSET DAYS**  
**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022**  
**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022**  
**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022**  
**Two more to be set in 2023**

**First day back for pupils,  
after the Summer Holidays  
2022 is:  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022**

Please find a summary of the key events taking place over the rest of the summer term attached.

### Year 6 SATS & their Celebratory BBQ

Well done to our Year 6s who took the SATS tests in their stride. They were a real credit to themselves and worked extremely hard in the run up to these end of primary school tests.

We all celebrated with a BBQ on the Friday afterwards. Many thanks to FoSPS who provided this for the children.

### Swimming Pool in Use for Public Bookings

The swimming pool is really being utilised by the community with public bookings, regular swim groups from within the village, our school use and St Andrew's School (Nuthurst's) use.

The access from the church yard has recently been improved with a disabled ramp now installed. Please do book a swim on: <https://cowfold-swimming.lemonbooking.com/> - you will love it!

Very many thanks to Jo Ball, Gary Dimmock, Dick Gilbert and Guy Hutchings who work very hard to run the pool. Jo has managed all the bookings single handed, for the community, since the pool opened in April.

### Windmill Hill

It won't be long before our Year 5 & 6 head off on their residential trip to Windmill Hill.

Just a quick reminder that the children will still need lunch on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – either a hot meal booked online or a packed lunch in a disposable bag.

**N.B. Year 5 & 6 do not need to wear school uniform on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June. This includes any of Year 5 & 6 who are not going on the trip too.**

### Have You Heard of the Horsham Lottery?

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