

Another very busy fortnight has flown by and everyone is now very well settled back into school routines, including our new Reception cohort who have just finished their first full week of school! They treated me to a very impressive performance of 'Hooray For Fish' this afternoon – please do ask them to share this with you at home!

St Peter's Houses – Family Day

Today has seen the launch of our new houses and family groups. Every child from year 1 to year 6 is now in one of our four new houses: **Coelho House**; **Donaldson House**; **Rauf House** and **Jeffers House**. It has been so exciting to see children working in their new teams and making friends with peers across the school in their new family group. Everyone has enjoyed a day of exploring new books and authors.

As part of today's activities, every child has also drawn a self-portrait and these will be collated to create 'House Flags' and tea towels and tote bags that will be available to purchase later this term. All funds raised from the sale of these items will go into our PSA fund. Further details will follow in the next couple of weeks.

Harvest

On Monday, we will be holding our annual Harvest Festival at St Peter's church for KS1 & 2 pupils. Pupils from year 4 will be leading this service as part of their Legacy Learning Project around food sharing, their value of 'generosity' and their work with the Clevedon Food Bank. (Please be aware that the service at church is for pupils only.)

If you are able to do so, **please send food or toiletry contributions into school on Monday morning**. Please ensure that all items are non-perishable e.g. dried pasta, tinned tuna, savoury biscuits, baked beans etc. Year 4 pupils will then be packaging items up to be shared with the Clevedon Food Bank.

Smart Watches

We are aware that some children have been coming to school wearing smart watches with built-in cameras. As you can imagine, this puts them, and other children in potentially unsafe situations. Please only allow children to wear regular wristwatches (ideally for practising telling the time) or digital watches that do not have cameras or screens which distract them from learning. Please note that, in line with our mobile phone policy, if any children do wear one of these watches to school, we will need to lock these away whilst the children are on site and return them to them at the end of the day.



School Photos

On Wednesday (5th October) it is school photo day for individual and sibling photos. During the school day, all children and any siblings at school will have their photographs taken. If you have any pre-school siblings and would like a family photo, please come to the Pier Hall between 8.15 and 8.45am.

Parent Workshops

Our face-to-face parent workshop next week is for parents of children in Reception. You have been sent this information separately but please do sign up for the afternoon or evening session if you haven't already done so.

Regarding the other information sessions, we have decided that staff will pre-record these and send them out to you so that you can watch them at a convenient time. We hope that this will be a more successful way of reaching a wider audience.

Parents' Evenings

Based on parent survey feedback, and discussions with parents/carers, we are considering offering a 'hybrid' model of parent meetings - with one evening online and one on site - for both autumn and spring meetings. Before we finalise this, please can you complete the MS Form below to indicate your preference so that we can be sure that this is a viable option. The form will close on Friday 7th October and we will make a final decision on how to offer these meetings before the end of this term.

[Parents' Evening Vote](#)

Houses of Parliament

Year 5 are looking forward to their trip to London to visit the Houses of Parliament this Monday 3rd October. Children will need to arrive at school at the usual time, wearing school uniform, sensible shoes and a raincoat. We will be leaving school at approximately 9am and - traffic permitting - anticipate arriving back at school at approximately 9pm. Please keep an eye on the school Facebook page as our travel progress will be updated on the day. Please ensure that your child brings a packed lunch, a packed dinner, drinks (non-fizzy) and snacks to eat on the coach. Please ensure that all snacks are practical to eat whilst travelling e.g. fruit/crisps/cereal bar. Please do not send any nuts in any meals.

Travel to School and Parking

We are very aware that travel to school and parking continues to be a challenge. Finding a safe and sustainable solution to this issue is something that we are committed to doing and we have plans in place to work with North Somerset and other community partners – including yourselves (parents)- to address this challenge. As always, our main priority is to ensure the safety of all our pupils as they travel to and from school and I know you will share this priority.

We would welcome some input from a working party from the parent community as we know that this is an issue of concern for many. We have only received 2 responses so far and will keep this form open for another week before sending out information about a meeting. If you are interested in being contacted to join us for a focus group, please complete the MS Form below by Friday 7th October.

[Working Party – Travel to School](#)

PSA Events & Fundraisers

Beat The Teacher Quiz Night!

Please find attached, a flyer advertising our PSA quiz night. You can buy tickets for this event by clicking on the link on the poster. We hope to have a full hall and a really great social event for the adults in our school community.

Christmas Cards

On Wednesday 5th October, your child will be bringing home their Christmas card design and instructions on how to order. Please see the flyer (image below) that is attached to this Parentmail, which explains all the details about how to order cards or other products containing your child's design.

