



Dear Parents/Carers,

We are already halfway through the term and seem to have been blessed with a little more sunshine this week; spring is in the air! There is lots going on at school, as always, and below you can read about forthcoming events and general information.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

### PSA

We were delighted to host our AGM with our PSA this week – thank you to everyone who was able to attend and share their thoughts in our review of the year. There is so much for us to celebrate and say thank you, both to our PSA and our wider community. This year, the PSA have contributed several thousands of pounds to fund school resources that have made an enormous difference to the quality of the school facilities that we are able to provide. My deepest thanks also to our chair for the huge amount of logistical operations and our outgoing finance officer for the diligent and detailed work undertaken – thank you. We are looking forward to meeting again in the coming weeks to set our strategy for the next 12 months – please do join us if you can on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February in The Albion.

As a very large primary school, we are always looking for new members to join our team – there are many roles of support that you can offer – both small and large - from logistics to fundraising and beyond. If you think you might be able to support us at all, please do come and join.

### Snapdragon Swimming

We are short of a parent helper to walk Snapdragon to and from swimming on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and also on Monday 30<sup>th</sup>. If you are able to help - even if you aren't a Snapdragon parent - please could you let Miss Napier know via [year34phaseleader@sppschoo.uk](mailto:year34phaseleader@sppschoo.uk)

### Clubs

#### Appropriate clothing for clubs

Please could you ensure that all children have an appropriate change of clothes for the clubs they are attending. Where possible, some of the sports clubs may take place outside in the fields, where it can be muddy at this time of year. If children come without a change of clothes, including a change of footwear, they may unfortunately not be able to participate.

#### Football club

After a review of safety at football club, please can we also ask that children wear shin pads from next week onwards.

If you are not able to provide these for your child, please do let us know and we will try and source some spares. Similarly, if any parents have any unused pairs that you would be able to donate to school, we would be grateful to have them.

### Water Bottles

We have noticed that an increasing number of children are bringing enormous water bottles into school and storage is becoming increasingly challenging! Please can we ask that your child brings a normal sized water bottle to school and that this is clearly labelled with their name and class.

Please can we also ask that 'Prime' bottles are not brought into school. Thank you.

### Lost Property

We are delighted to share that we have a wonderful volunteer who is coming into school regularly to help to sort lost property and reunite items with their owners. We are still finding a large amount of unlabelled lost property, including lovely new coats. It is very difficult to return these items to the children and lots of clothing ends up having to be taken to clothes banks and charity shops. Please label your child's clothes – using a permanent marker pen on the label is a really quick and easy way to do this – so we can make sure that your child's items can be returned to them. Thank you.

### Travel to School and Parking

This is a reminder that our working party will be meeting on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm in the staffroom**. We are currently seeking solutions to the ongoing challenges that travel to school causes for families, school and local residents, and are currently in talks with the local council and other community members so we can work together on this. Everyone is welcome at this meeting so please come along if you can. We have some exciting updates and information to share.

### Parent Information Session: Zones of Regulation

A reminder that we will be running some parent information sessions later in the term to explain the Zones of Regulation programme in more detail, how it is being taught and used at St Peter's and how it can also be an effective tool at home. **Sessions will be in the Pier Hall on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 2.15pm and 6.00pm**

If you would like to come along to one of these sessions, please sign up using the following link:

[Parent Information Session: Zones of Regulation](#)

We look forward to seeing lots of you there!



### Book Fair

We are so excited that the Book Fair is returning to St Peter's! This provides an opportunity for you to buy new books to enjoy whilst raising funds for the school to buy new books to enhance our collections.

Books will be on sale in the Pier Hall on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February from 3.05-3.45.**

We are going to have a **cashless** Book Fair this year. We will have QR codes displayed in the hall, which take you to the web page to pay. All you need to do is bring the books you would like to the staff taking payments and we will let you know how much to pay online. Once you have paid, all you need to do is show us your confirmation code.

In classes, we will be running a competition for a child in each year group to win a £5 voucher to spend at our Book Fair. We will share more details of this in classes over the next 2 weeks. We look forward to having some wonderful help from our House Captains and Pupil Librarians too!





### Share Sessions

Just a reminder that this term's share sessions on a **THURSDAY**.

Date	5.1.23	12.1.23	19.1.23	26.1.23	2.2.23	9.2.23
Year group	Year 6	Year 5	Year 4	Year 3	Year 2	Year 1

### Dates for next year

#### 2023-2024 Term Dates

Term 1 - Monday 4th September 2023 - Friday 20th October 2023

Term 2 - Monday 30th October 2023 - Wednesday 20th December 2023

Term 3 - Thursday 4th January 2024 - Friday 9th February 2024

Term 4 - Monday 19th February 2024 - Friday 28th March 2024

Term 5 - Monday 15th April 2024 - Friday 24th May 2024

Term 6 - Monday 3rd June 2024 - Friday 23rd July 2024

#### **Inset days:**

Monday 4th September 2023

Tuesday 5th September 2023

Friday 20th October 2023

Friday 17th November 2023

Monday 19th February 2024

Monday 3rd June 2024

Please note that the LSP are holding 6 INSET days across our trust in 23/24.