



Newsletter

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Friday 8th February 2019



Oak class enjoyed visiting the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford as part of their Chinese New Year topic. They were also lucky enough to go for a Chinese meal afterwards!



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Important news



Parent Governor

As there was only one nominee for the role of Parent Governor it has not been necessary to hold an election. We are therefore pleased to advise you that Anne Armitage has been appointed unopposed. Anne has children in Nursery, Years 2 and 4 and we are very pleased to welcome her onto the Governing Body at St Peter's School. Anne joins Catherine Chapman and Hannah Want as Parent Governors.

On behalf of the Governors of St Peter's School.

Judo

There is no judo next week, but it will be back on the first Friday after half term (1st March).

Lots of the older children will be away on a residential trip that week, so Jonathan has said that if any younger children want to have a go, as a one off, that would be brilliant! It will be completely free and there's obviously no obligation to continue coming.



If you want to give it a go, come along to the school hall at 8am, wearing preferably a long sleeve top and joggers and have a go at judo without the worry of big children being there!



Fish



A few weeks ago in Maple class, we had a huge surprise - we had a fish tank delivered! It's going to be our project for the term.

We started off learning about how to clean the water and look after the plants and now we will add new fish in every week.

On Monday afternoon we got some Zebra Dalions, to be class pets. One of them is called Frodo, one is called Pharoah, and another one is Fruity. We also have Phil, Flannel and Flop!

We got 4 more fish today, which are Red and Sunset Platies. They took a long time to swim out of the bag!

Each day we make sure the water is safe for them by testing it. We put a special stick in and match the colour on the chart and this tells us if it's safe or not. We also have to feed them, but not too much. The light needs to be kept on for the plants and in the holidays we are going to give them a food block, which lasts for the whole week.

We are getting some different fish soon so go with them.

By Oliver and Bella





Important information



THANKS FOR REMEMBERING
THIS IS A



PEANUT/NUT FREE
SCHOOL

We currently have three children who have serious nut allergies. Please remember that we don't allow any nuts or nut products in school. **This includes Nutella.** Thank you for helping us to keep St Peter's School a safe place.

Mindfulness assembly

Over the year, the children have been able to participate in focused activities each week that allows them to experience their world in a calm and relaxed way.

We have learnt how to deepen our breathing, use an image to clear our thoughts, relax our bodies and look closely at the world around us.

The breathing technique has used our hand as a guide. We draw around our fingers with a finger from the other hand, breathing in through our nose and counting to four as we go up one side of a finger and breathing out through our mouth as we count to four going down the other side. Some of us are able to count to more than four giving ourselves the chance to use our lung capacity more fully.

We have used moving fractal images to focus our eyes and keep other distractions at bay, as we use our counting. <http://hdcolours.com> is a site that has been used.

Other activities have included using all of our senses to explore everyday items such as raisins and a square of chocolate. The pebbles that we investigated obviously weren't tasted!

In addition to the assembly sessions Maple class have learnt a creative relaxation sequence that they are able to follow by themselves. Oak are just embarking on this learning journey.

Several of the children have commented on their enjoyment of these sessions and are using all or part of the experiences in situations where they feel the need to be calm and more relaxed.

Mrs Howe



Valentines Disco



St Peter's School Disco Rules February 2019



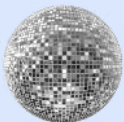
We hope your child(ren) will enjoy attending the disco held at St Peter's C E School. This is a well-established and much enjoyed fundraising event held jointly by the school staff and the PTA. In order for this event to be safely enjoyed by all, we would appreciate if parents, carers and children are aware of and abide by the following behaviour 'rules':

- ❖ Normal school behaviour is expected of all children during the disco.
- ❖ Parents / carers must be in attendance at the disco with all children in **Apple Tree, Oak and Maple Classes**.
- ❖ Children from **Willow Class** may be left unaccompanied, in the care of school staff providing the parent / carer signs the child in and out of the disco. Parents / carers must leave their contact details for the duration of the event.
- ❖ Siblings younger than school age will be admitted **only** if accompanied by their parents / carers at all times.
- ❖ Any children who no longer attend St Peter's C of E Primary School will not be admitted.
- ❖ The children must stay in the hall at all times unless accessing the toilets.



❖ **Timings for the disco:**

- The disco will start at **5pm** and the first hour is **only for children in Apple Tree and Oak Class**. This is to allow the little ones to enjoy a dance without being bumped by the older children.
- There will be a 15 minute break for Hot Dogs at **6pm** when the older children in Maple and Willow will join in.
- At **6:15**, after the hot dogs, the younger ones can remain if they have older siblings at the disco, but the **children in Maple and Willow take priority on the dance floor**, and they shouldn't have to be worrying about bumping into little ones!
- The disco will end at **7.15pm** and parents must ensure that they pick up their child, if they are in Willow Class, then.



These rules are an essential part of our ongoing compliance with safeguarding requirements and we thank you in advance for your help.








Awards of the Week



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If your child has an award below, you are invited to join us for our Celebration Assembly next Friday at 9 o'clock in the school hall:

Class	Special Award Term Focus - Independence	Star Award
	Phoebe Thomas	Acton Forest Rose Armitage
	Charlie Robertson	Freddie Curtis Hayden Jeeves
	Samuel Claridge	Jessica Delafield Lola Madge
	Holly Mills	Joban Dey Kate Lees
	Flora van der Hoorn	

Comedy Night - Saturday 2nd March

There's not long to go until the SPSA Comedy Night! If you haven't already got a ticket, make sure you get one before they all go! The deadline for ticket sales is Tuesday 12th February.



Don't miss out!



A selection of the week's photos





SPSA News



I'm sure the children are looking forward to our annual **Valentines Disco next Friday 15 February** – it will follow the usual format from 5-7.15pm with a break for hotdogs at 6pm – Apple Tree and Oak class share the first hour and Maple and Willow classes share the last hour. Glowsticks, Tattoos and balloons are always a must! More details are attached to this newsletter.

And I hope the adults are looking forward to the **Comedy Night on March 2nd 7.30-10.30pm**. Hosted by Flock Comedy this will be a great night of laughs and fun and a chance to socialise with other parents – if you are struggling for childcare, why not have a girly or male night out. This event is open to all – so please tell family and friends as well. Tickets are £15 each and are available from the School office or via Facebook (where a small booking charge will apply). There will be a bar and snacks available.

We have just agreed to fund another set of Chromebooks so there is enough for a whole class to use them at the same time. We are looking forward to the children getting the benefit from them.

It is also great to finally see phase 2 of the climbing frame come to fruition – the SPSA funded phase 1 of the project and we would like to thank the team that has worked so hard getting grants together to cover the 2nd part of the project – the children can't wait to get on it.

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 5 March, 8pm in the Red Lion** – we would welcome any new faces and fresh ideas to raise money for our children.

Garry Peasley

SPSA Chair



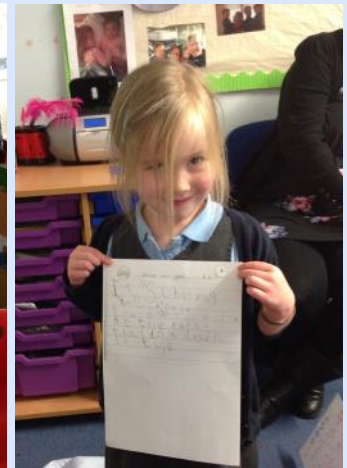
Important News

Yenworthy



We still have some outstanding payments! If you still owe money on your Yenworthy account, please make final payments by next week.

If you have paid through bank transfer and it hasn't shown up on your ParentMail account, please let me know.



Money

All payments can now be made through ParentMail—whether it's for dinners, breakfast club, nursery fees, Yenworthy, etc. This is a really useful way to pay because it allows you to see exactly what you've paid and what you still owe. If you aren't sure how to pay for things, please come and see me so I can help.

From next week you will also be able to pay for trips through ParentMail.

You should see a new payment item pop up if there is one relevant to your child.

We obviously still accept payments by other methods. If you are writing a cheque, please make sure it is written payable to Eynsham Partnership Academy unless we let you know otherwise.



SPSA

St Peter's School
Association

CASSINGTON

WELCOMES YOU TO

An evening of Stand-up Comedy

HOSTED BY



Saturday 2 March

7.30pm – 10.30pm

Cassington Village Hall

Bar and snacks

£15 per ticket

Available on Facebook or from the School office

Profits will go to the SPSA





A message from Mr Jeffries



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another proud week as the headteacher at St Peter's! On Tuesday, the year 6 hockey team played at Wood Green in the next round of the hockey competition. To say it was tough is an understatement! We played schools who clearly had a lot of resources dedicated to hockey including professional coaching. The children never gave up, continued to battle and overcame their frustrations. Of the six we played, we drew 2 and became stronger with every match. Of course it would have been nice to win and progress further but as far as lessons in life go, the one about resilience is perhaps the most valuable. Well done to everyone – you were amazing! So proud of you all.

It has also been great to see the children putting themselves forward for different jobs around the school. We have now appointed four 'Monitors' (look out for the yellow badges) who are in charge of our breaktime equipment and ensuring we respect the resources that we have. Next week we will be announcing who the 'Playground Friends' (red badges) will be. The idea is that the children think about our school values and how we can help each other to be the best people and the best school we can be! Children who are interested fill out an application form and are selected based on the strength of their commitment. The popularity of this can be measured by the number of times Emily has had to make photocopies of the application forms! Later in the term we will be introducing 'Play Leaders' (black badges).

We also have the incredibly exciting news that the new play equipment will be ready for the children to use on Monday!! It looks amazing and will no doubt provide them with many adventures in the years to come. I am happy for the children to play on the equipment after school but (Health and Safety cap on) I ask that you supervise them doing this.

On behalf of the children, a big thank you to everyone who has been involved in the completion of this two phase project (see the message from the SPSA) and to Mrs Vernon who was heavily involved in getting phase 2 over the line.

With warmest wishes,

Jon Jeffries



Important Dates



Monday 11th February -	Yr 6s to Witney hospital - IMPS - 10am
Thursday 14th February -	The Big Draw
Friday 15th February -	Stay and Play in Apple Class - 2-3pm - £2 per family
-	School disco - 5pm
Monday 18th to Friday 22nd Feb -	Half term
February 25th February -	Inset day
-	YENWORTHY (yrs4-6) until Friday 1st March
Saturday 2nd March -	Comedy Night (see flyer)
Sunday 3rd March -	St Peter's together - St Peter's Church, Cassington - 10am
Wednesday 13th March -	Travelling books arrive
Friday 15th March -	Red Nose Day
Monday 18th March -	Apple Tree to Farmer Gow's
Wednesday 20th March -	Travelling books pick-up
-	Reception and Yr 6 Weights and Measures
Wednesday 27th March -	Oak class to Natural History Museum, Oxford
Friday 29th March -	Mother's Day assembly
Wednesday 3rd April -	Maple Play - 6pm
Thursday 4th April -	Maple Play - 6pm
Friday 5th April -	Term finishes at 1:15pm
Sunday 7th April -	St Peter's together - St Peter's Church, Cassington - 10am
Tuesday 23rd April -	Summer term begins

Year 6 children!

Please remember that you need a packed lunch for the IMPS trip on
Monday!

STAND UP COMEDY
Four Pro Comedians

FLOCK COMEDY

A FUNDRAISER FOR
St PETER'S SCHOOL
ASSOCIATION



Saturday 2 March 2019 8:00pm (doors 7:30pm)

HARRY STACHINI

CHRISTIAN RUSSELL-POLLOCK

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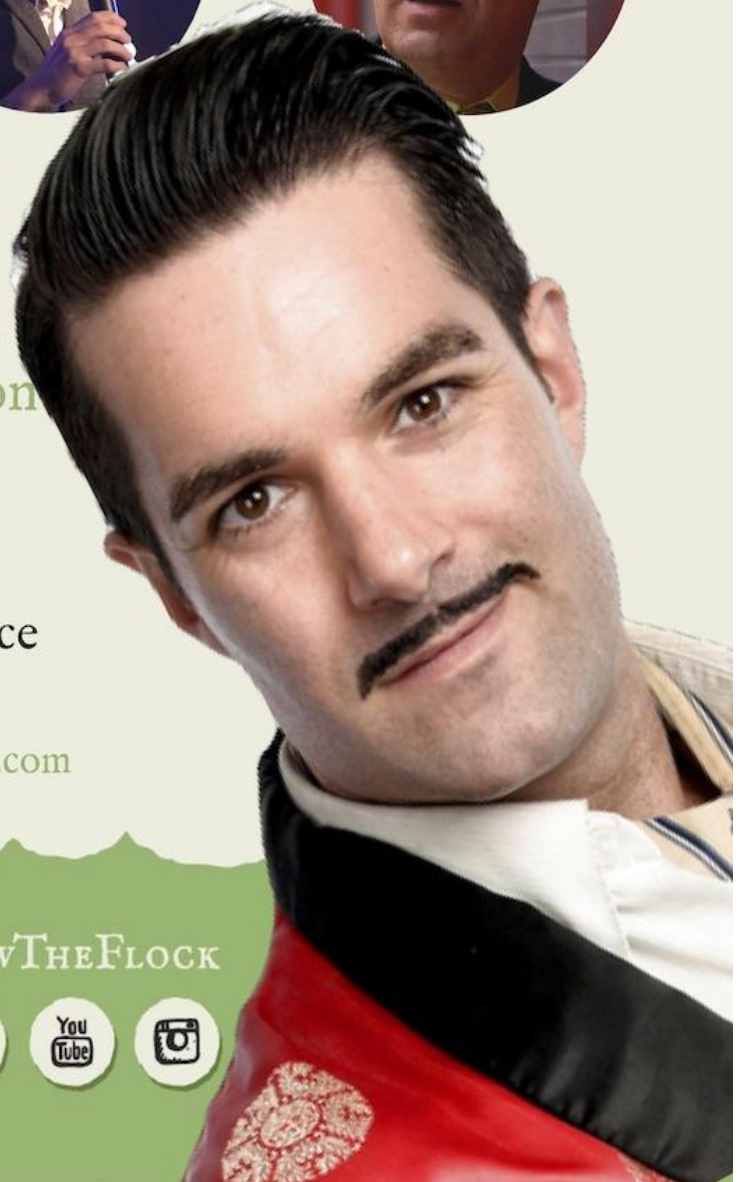
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