



# Newsletter

Friday 1st March 2019

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**SPSA**  
St Peter's School Association  
CASSINGTON

WELCOMES YOU TO  
**An evening of Stand-up Comedy**

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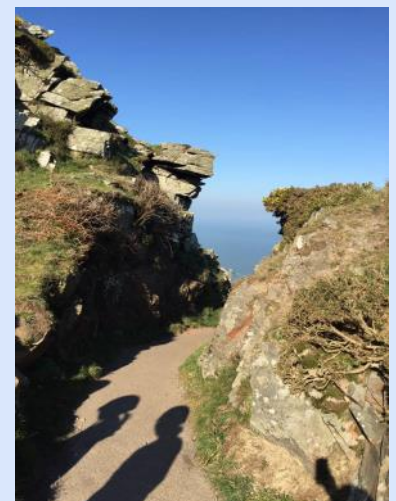
**LAST CHANCE**

7pm  
**Village Hall**

Bar and snacks

£15 per ticket  
Available on Facebook or from the School office  
Profits will go to the SPSA

Make sure you get your tickets for tomorrow's comedy night!! Buy your tickets from the office, through Facebook, or get in touch with Suzi Lewis to have some tickets reserved for you.



Get in touch -

**Office.3651@st-peters.oxon.sch.uk**

or

**01865 880443**

**www.st-peters.oxon.sch.uk**

We've got a few photos and a quick report inside. There will be a full Yenworthy report in next week's newsletter.



# News



Apple Tree are enjoying playing in their new fort. A big thank you to Ffion's Mum, Wolfie's Mum and Isla's Mum for making it beautiful!



## Choir



Choir is now going to be during Tuesday lunchtimes! It is still being run by Rev. Fraser and will be held in the Den. If your child is interested, please encourage them to go along.

### Party invitations

We've had a few occasions recently where children have become upset over not being invited to parties. Obviously it isn't possible to invite everyone, but to avoid any upset, could we please ask that invitations aren't brought in to class to be given out?

Thank you for your co-operation



# News



## Permissions

We are in the process of updating all our child records. One of the areas that isn't complete is our permissions folder. I have posted a permissions form on ParentMail. Please make sure you have completed it before the end of next week. Thank you.



## ST PETER'S TOGETHER

**St Peter's Church – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 10am  
with Revd Duncan Fraser**

You are warmly invited to 'St Peter's Together' with St Peter's Church, St Peter's School and choir, and the local community.

*Do come along and bring family and friends.  
Children of all ages are very welcome.*

## Oak Class -



**Next week, please could children in Oak class bring in an empty, clean water bottle as in next Friday's Science lesson, each child will need one.**

**Thank you very much.**

**Mrs Carter**

## Apple Tree

We have recently found that some children are becoming unsettled by parents remaining in the classroom after drop off time. To help avoid this, and also to become more in line with the rest of the school, Apple Tree door will now be closed promptly at 8:55am.

The door is opened at 8:40 each day to allow you 15 minutes to ensure your child is settled before you leave at 8:55. Thank you.



Mrs Gardner



# News



## ParentMail

All letters that we send home now are going to be sent by ParentMail.

**Please** keep an eye on your emails and don't rely on us physically sending a letter home with your child. We don't want you to miss out on anything.

We may occasionally send some letters home, but we are trying not to print out reams of paper if we really don't need to!

Trips that require a donation will be in 2 parts—you'll get the letter with the permission slip to complete and then a separate payment to make.

Parentmail does send automatic reminders sometimes that I'm not aware of. If you are sure that they don't apply to you, please just ignore them. If you aren't sure, please ask.

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. It's also a helpful timesaver for me as there is obviously less banking to be done, and it's easy to quickly see who has paid and who hasn't. You should see a new payment item pop up if there is one relevant to your child.

If you aren't sure how to pay for things, please see me so I can help.

We 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.

Thank you for your help.



# SPSA news



## SPSA News

I hope you all had lovely half term breaks.

Thank you to all that came to the **Valentines Disco** – we raised a fab £291.05 – but most of all, I think the children had a great time as always!

Our **Comedy Night** is tomorrow night – 7.30pm in the Village Hall – there are still tickets available via Facebook (with a booking fee) and they will also be on sale on the door on a first come first served basis. Hosted by Flock Comedy this will be a great night of laughs and fun and a chance to socialise with other parents. This event is open to all – so please tell family and friends as well. Tickets are £15 each and there will be a bar and snacks available.

Keep an eye out for some Easter events which we will be planning soon!

Our next meeting is this coming **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

## Comedy Night - Saturday 2nd March

# Tomorrow is SPSA Comedy Night!

Tickets can be purchased right up until the event, but please do buy them in advance if you can because it helps us to stock the bar appropriately!

We hope you can attend what's going to be a brilliant night of comedy.

**Don't miss out!**



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St Peter's School  
Association

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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





# Maple News



This week Maple Class have had a fishy week!

We have been working on settings and character descriptions based on the book 'Flotsam' by David Wiesner, and creating colourful fish in the style of the artist Jason Scarpace.

In science we have continued adding fish to our aquarium (this week catfish) and studied weird and wonderful sea creatures.

We have had a lovely week!





# Yenworthy



The walk along the ridge of the Valley of the Rocks was incredible. So many of the children coped with the height and the terrain that had to be traversed. It was another glorious sunny day, we had lunch in the sunshine in shirts with no added layers.

Rock climbing was brilliant and all of the children managed to do a climb despite their worries. No one got stuck in the rocks whilst coastering but we did have a crow attack. We left the rucksacks on the beach whilst we climbed and the crows have learnt that they contain the remains of lunch. Very few of the children had to empty left over food into the bins at the centre because the crows had got into the bags and eaten it!

On Thursday the weather changed and it was drizzly, nothing that would prevent us from doing the activities though. Team work was definitely improved from Monday, the success rate was much higher than it would have been then.

The afternoon was filled with a walk up the stream, in the water. A very damp experience!

Mrs Howe



# News



## Spot the difference!!

There is something different in school this week that we haven't talked about in the newsletter. Have you seen it? The first person to tell Emily the correct answer wins a prize! (Only one guess allowed per person)

Good luck!



Dear Pupils and Parents,

### Tennis is coming back to Eynsham!

The Excel Tennis Academy is running sessions for children aged 4 - 16 and for adults of all ages and abilities.

There are coaching sessions on Saturdays and Sundays for all ages and you can pay and play as and when you are available.

We are running a **FREE Open day on Saturday 9th March** and would love to see as many Juniors and Adults joining us as possible.

The sessions are running from **12 - 4pm at Bartholomew School** with specific groups for all ages.

All the information can be found on our website using the following link:  
<https://www.exceltennisacademy.co.uk/eynsham-open-day-page>

If anyone has any questions please let us know and we would be very happy to help.

We look forward to seeing you on court soon.

Many thanks  
**Edward Large**

**Head Coach**  
**EXCEL TENNIS ACADEMY**

**07734 059769**





# A Message from Mr Jeffries



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have only been back for one week and so much has happened already! On Tuesday, Apple class returned to a very exciting surprise – over the holiday, a wooden fort had been built for them and we were very lucky that Ffion's mum, Wolfie's mum and Isla's mum used their artistic skills to full effect to create a magical and enchanting setting. A big thank you to them for giving up an evening to create this for us!

This week, I was out of school for three days at the Oxfordshire Headteacher's Conference. This was a really worthwhile event where I discussed the work we are currently focussing on at St Peter's (differentiation and challenge for all children) with different headteachers. It is wonderful to be able to share and also take some great ideas to try here. As you can imagine, there was also time for a bit of 'research' – I am hoping to get iRock (giving children the opportunity to experience different instruments and build confidence) in to do an assembly with a view to running a club

<https://irockschool.com/>



## **EPA Headteachers rocking out!**

I wanted to thank you all for ensuring that your children are supervised after school when playing on the adventure playground, as requested. This forms part of the risk assessment in allowing us to do this so thank you for observing this request so diligently – you're all fab!

The final thank-you of the week must of course go to Mrs Howe, Mr Long and Mrs Beecher for their energy, drive and enthusiasm in ensuring that Yenworthy was a great success. Residentials are a powerful and often life-changing experience for children (I vividly remember mine both as a child and leading them!) but it does require staff to spend a very tiring week away from their families so I'm sure you'll join me in thanking them for their commitment.

With warmest wishes,

Jon Jeffries



# Important Dates



<b>Saturday 2nd March -</b>	<b>Comedy Night (see flyer)</b>
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
-	Oak, Maple & Willow Talent show!
Wednesday 20th March -	Travelling books pick-up
-	Reception and Yr 6 Weights and Measures
Friday 22nd March -	Stay & Play in Apple Class - 2pm-3pm - £2 per family
Wednesday 27th March -	Oak class to Natural History Museum, Oxford
Friday 29th March -	Mother's Day assembly
Sunday 31st March -	St Peter's together - St Peter's Church, Cassington - 10am
Wednesday 3rd April -	Maple Play - 6pm
Thursday 4th April -	Maple Play - 6pm
Friday 5th April -	Term finishes at 1:15pm



THANKS FOR REMEMBERING  
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**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.

## **New Juniors Football Training**

**Yarnton Blues Football Club - Juniors training session starting in March.**



YBFC are planning to start a training session for 5, 6 & 7 year olds on Wednesdays @17:30.

The sessions will be run by a selection of the clubs existing managers and will run for 60 minutes. All Yarnton Blues managers are DBS checked, first aid trained and highly skilled, with many holding the FA Level 1 Coaching qualification.

This is an excellent opportunity to get your child involved with the club at an early age. The club is always looking out for new players to join the teams which play in the Witney and District Youth Football League (WDYFL) throughout the season.

**Note:** Football boots and shin pads are recommended.

The first session will take place on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March @17:30** at Yarnton Park off Ruten lane.

\*\*The sessions will be free during March.

If you would like to reserve a place please contact the club secretary James Finnigan via email ([james.finnigan2@ntlworld.com](mailto:james.finnigan2@ntlworld.com)).

## **TOTAL ADVENTURE HOLIDAYS 2019**

[www.adventureplus.org.uk/](http://www.adventureplus.org.uk/)

### Total Adventure Easter Activities for ages 8-11 in Oxfordshire

If you're looking for an Oxfordshire-based adventure this Easter for 8-11 year olds, TA Easter may be just what you are looking for.

Packed with adventures such as canoeing, climbing, biking, archery, arts and crafts, circus skills and fencing - TA Easter is an exciting adventure where you choose your activities! Non-residential Monday 8th - Friday 12th April 2019 9:00 am - 4.30pm each day (with an option to sleep over on one night for children attending all week)

### Total Adventure Summer Activities for ages 8-12 in Oxfordshire

Total Adventure Beacon (TA Beacon) is the A+ holiday for anyone aged 8-12. Non-stop adventures, for you and your friends...

Come and enjoy your favourite activities and maybe try some new ones:

Monday 12th - Friday 16th August 2019. Opportunity to camp for the week.

Windmill Farm Conference Centre, Main Street, Clanfield, Oxfordshire, OX18 2SN

**Pick up a leaflet in the school entrance.**

STAND UP COMEDY  
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# 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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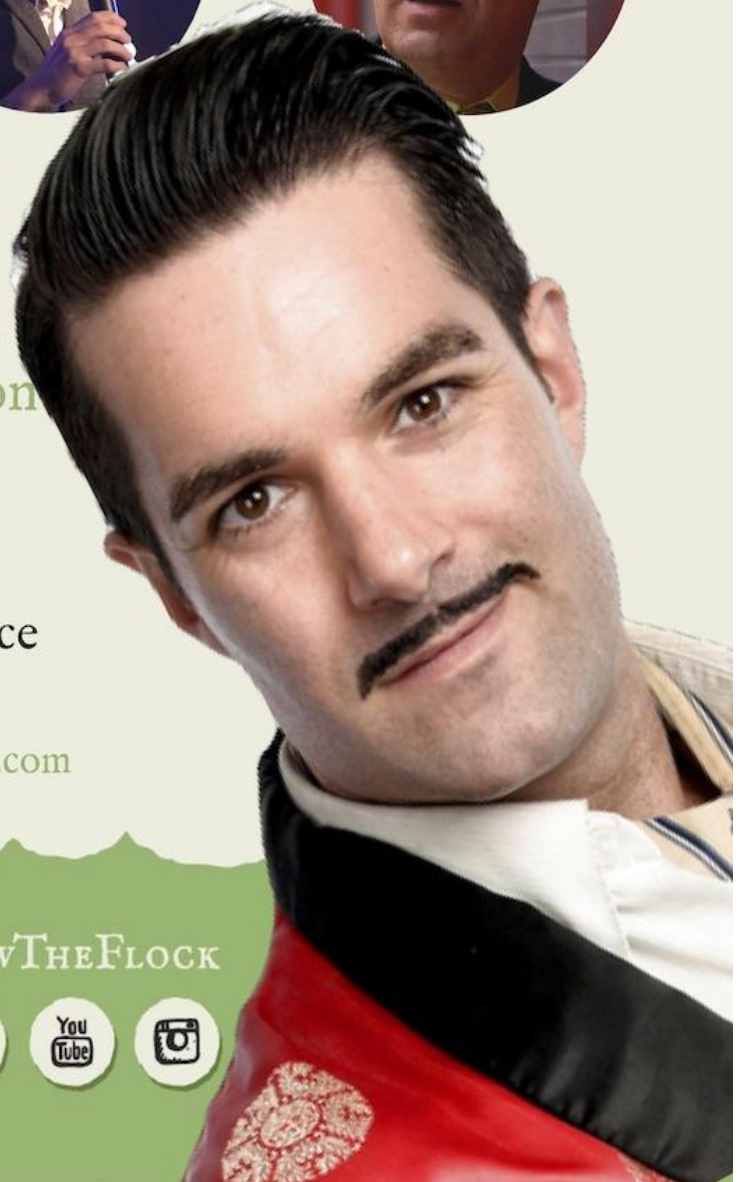
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OX29 4AX

tickets £15

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