

# Newsletter



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Friday 2nd October 2020



## Stone Age Fun in Maple Class

Make sure you see the photos and review inside!



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THANKS FOR REMEMBERING  
THIS IS A



PEANUT/NUT FREE  
SCHOOL

We currently have two 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.



Stone Age fun at St Peters

Yesterday at St Peters Primary a Stone Age specialist came to teach years 3 and 4. David Cadle - the visitor - was very informative says Mrs Franklin, who was also at the event.

The Ice Age facts they learnt (along with the Stone age ones) were very interesting. Originally the Thames was in the Midlands but got pushed up by the ice. People guess that you used to be able to walk to FRANCE! (On the ice of course.)

Some scientists think that "People" didn't talk before fire was "invented".

As a change to the usual routine, David Cadle was an excellent speaker and demonstrator.

Maple class would like to thank the SPSA for giving the money for the wonderful day.



You are invited  
to...

## St. Peter's Church Harvest Service

Where: Outside the church  
When: Sunday 4th October  
10.00am

Please Bring a picnic rug  
with you and clothing  
appropriate for the  
weather



(Covid secure measures in place)

## Request from Apple Tree Class

Do you have any unwanted toys  
that are still in good condition? If  
you do, Apple Tree Class  
would welcome  
donations!



Thank you



## Eynsham Green TEA Festival Trail 2020

Sunday, 4th October 11:00 - 16:00 at Eynsham Village

This year our annual festival takes the form of a village walking trail to show the work that Green TEA and others are doing to contribute towards a greener and more resilient community. The event has been designed to be Covid-19 safe, with sites to be visited by family groups in any order to maintain social distancing.

Activities and information include:

- Allotments and Peace Oak orchard
- Transforming Eynsham - energy for the future
- Eco houses - meet the experts
- Electric cars and bikes
- Children's puzzles and activities

Collect a map from any of the locations or download your own copy below or use the QR code on the posters.

<https://eynsham-pc.gov.uk/variable/organisation/754/attachments/Eynsham-Green-TEA-Festival-Trail->

**Growing Green in Eynsham Sunday October 4th 11.00-4.00**

**green TEA**  
Transition Eynsham Area (TEA)

**Green TEA'S Annual Festival**  
This year a walking trail to show you the work of Green TEA and others contributing to a greener and more resilient community

**On the Trail:**

- Apple juicing and give away
- Allotments / Peace Oak
- Transforming Eynsham
- Eco houses - experts
- E-bikes and cars
- Children's activities
- Plant and veg swap

**Covid 19 compliant**

- Come in your own groups
- Make your own route around the sites for social distancing
- Collect a map at trail sites, the Square or
- Bring a cup for apple juice tasting





As promised last week, here are most of our lovely SPSA

## SPSA AGM

We are holding our AGM next Wednesday 7th October at 7.30pm via Zoom. Details below:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86287063401?pwd=YTkzZU8xVUtyMU9JdytRM08yVjY1QT09>

Meeting ID: 862 8706 3401  
Passcode: 310902

Please follow the guidance the School sent for Google Classroom earlier this year with regards to suitable location/attire.

All welcome to join us.

Garry Peasley

## What you can do

Keep 2 metres distance



Give other parents plenty of space when dropping off / picking up



Wherever possible, don't allow children from different class bubbles to mix



## What School is doing

Staggered start/finish times



Washing Hands



Social Bubbles (in class and outside play areas)



## Young Artist Exhibition

One of our children, Lila in Maple Class, has had her artwork selected for the **Royal Academy's Young Artists' Summer exhibition**. It's both an online and in-person exhibition and her artwork can be seen here:

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/exhibitions/2020/21446?query=Lila>

Well done, Lila!



## Apple Tree Children

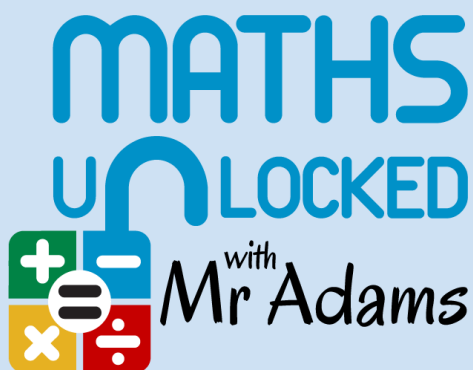
Please could we remind you that Reception children are required to wear different clothes on different days.

**Mondays:** PE Kit - White t-shirt, Navy jumper or sweatshirt, Black or navy shorts or joggers.

**Tuesdays:** Forest school gear - Full school uniform with waterproof coat & trousers / waterproof all in ones.

**Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays** are normal days so full school uniform should be worn. This is Grey pinafores / skirts / trousers, Navy cardigans / sweatshirts / jumpers, Sky blue polo shirts.

Nursery children are to wear school uniform on their top, and joggers or leggings on their bottom half to help them with toilet training.



Have a look at his website here:  
<https://mathsunlockedwithmrads.co.uk/>

Message from Emily

### Do you have older children?

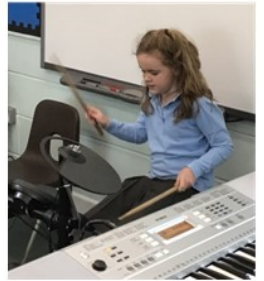
Mr Adams taught my daughter, Seren, maths in year 7 at Bartholomew School and is still one of her absolute favourite teachers. He's now doing an online training programme through live, fun & interactive weekly webinars focused on specific areas of Maths and the current GCSE curriculum. It is aimed at children in yrs 10 & 11, but would also be beneficial to anyone from yr 7 and up.

I never thought I'd see Seren enjoy maths so much, but she really loves taking part in these sessions and her confidence is really growing. Mr Adams has a real engaging way of teaching which she really responds to. And he is brilliant fun!

Give it a try - your first session is free so you have nothing to lose!



# iRock is **BACK!**



**iRock sessions are starting again this term.**

The previous children had a huge amount of fun joining in and getting on stage to play. We even had a staff band! Please see the attached letter to join in the fun!



# Important Information



In Nursery, Reception and KS1 (Apple & Oak) the children are offered a piece of fruit as a mid-morning snack so they don't need to bring one in. If your child is in KS2 (Maple & Willow) and you want to send a snack in, please make sure that it is fruit or vegetables only.

Children need to bring water bottles each day. Because of the current circumstances, we cannot lend anyone a water bottle and we certainly don't want them sharing anyone else's! Please remember that the bottles they drink from throughout the day must only have water in them and not juice or squash. (The drink in their packed lunch doesn't need to be water).



Coats / wellies are essential this term as we will be going outside for each break, whatever the weather!






	Apple	Oak	Maple	Willow
PE	Monday afternoon	Friday afternoon	Tuesday & Friday	PE kit to be in school all week
Reading	Reception are listened to reading every day Nursery have their books changed each week	Children will be listened to and have their books changed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday	Children should be listened to reading every day at home	Children are set a weekly reading target & should be reading at least 3 times a week to an adult at home
Spellings	Tuesday for Reception	Wednesday	Given on Monday & tested on Friday	Given on Monday & tested on Friday
Homework	N/A	N/A	All homework is on Google classroom (set on Friday)	Learning log given out on Monday week 1 – to be handed in Thursday week 2  Maths homework set each Monday & due in on Thursday
Other	Forest School on Tuesdays	Forest School on Tuesdays	Times tables tests on Friday	N/A

## Please note:

If you'd like anything put into the newsletter, I need it by Friday, 1pm at the latest. Thank you



If your child has an award below, you will be sent a link next week to join in with our virtual celebration assembly:

Class	Special Award Term Focus - Reflection	Star Award
	Esmae Boyne-Ryan	Johnathan Hill Kai Black
	Alice Cox	Ffion Jones Ivy Paulin
	Ameer Khokhar	Lucas Cox Thomas Andrews
	Bella Thomas-Clarke	Dimitrije Milivojevic Megan Martin
	Sasha Forostovskaya	



# A Message From Mr Jeffries



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we had the great pleasure of welcoming Anne Luttman-Johnson to the school as part of our 'People Who Inspire Us' collective worships. Although we couldn't use the hall to meet together, we used Google Meet to link up the classrooms. Ask your child about Anne's story and see how much they can remember and which of our values they thought she had shown. See below for more details of the session. If you know of any inspiring people who you think would like to do similar, please do let us know.

On Wednesday we had The History Man come to visit Maple class. It was an incredible day packed full of fun Stone Age experiences. I kept having to poke my head around the office door to see what all the laughter and excitement was about! I'm sure you will agree from the photos in the newsletter that it was a very worthwhile event. Thank you to the SPSA for subsidising this visit.

At break and lunch times, the children have continued to make bug houses on the field and the creations have become ever more elaborate! Some of the children asked for a trail cam to be set-up to see if any bugs are using them; so far we have plenty of shots of blowing leaves but we'll keep looking for any new residents!

Today we had our first celebration assembly online using Google Meet where we were pleased to invite parents. After a successful dry run two weeks ago, we went in with high confidence only to find technical difficulties in Willow and a race to get it working! We of course found a work-around but hopefully we are through the teething issues now! For those of you who had a child receiving awards, we hope you enjoyed it.

Thanks to the efforts of the staff and children, we have been keeping to our bubbles sensibly and have so far managed to keep Covid at bay and therefore no disruption to the classes or wider school. We continue to appreciate parents/carers efforts and calm approach; let's keep our high standards up with remembering to keep a social distance when dropping off/picking up as much as possible and giving each other plenty of space around the gates.

The term is flying by with only three weeks until half term!

Warmest wishes,

Jon Jeffries

# ANNE LUTTMAN-JOHNSON

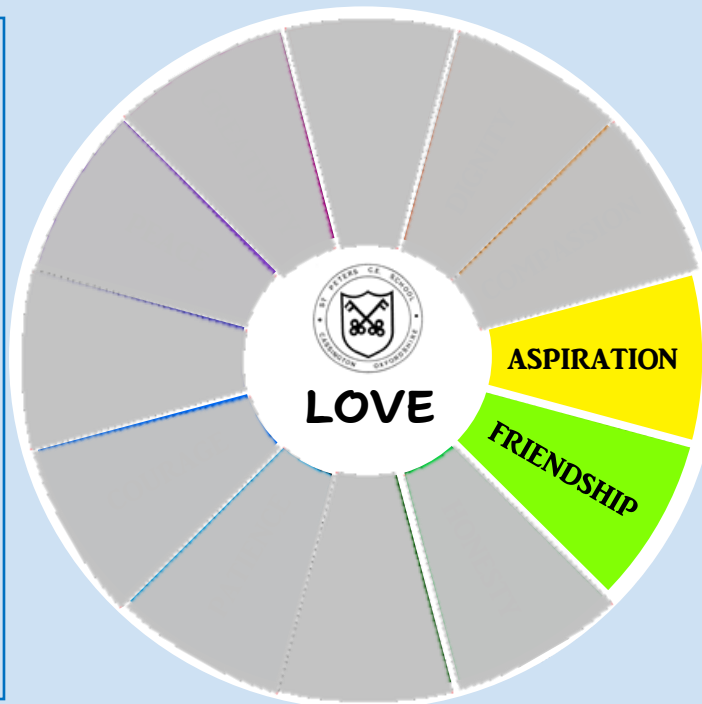


*Anne spoke to us about her life after she had a bad car accident when she was 21 and broke her back which damaged nerves in her spinal cord. This meant she could no longer walk and now uses a wheelchair. She did not let this stop her, however! She studied Law and worked as an expert witness which gave support to people who have suffered injuries similar to herself. Anne's passion is sailing where she has been on some epic adventures.*

## ASPIRATION

*We think Anne shows huge aspiration because she never lets her disability get the better of her, and she always wanted to do the best she could.*

*Megan C.*



## FRIENDSHIP

*Anne said that friendship was the most important thing to her because it's her friends who are always there and help keep her going.*

*We all need friends so look after the ones you've got!*

## MESSAGE TO US

*Turn your negatives into positives!*

# Wash Your Hands!



**Wet Hands**  
under warm running water



**Add Soap**  
to help kill germs



**Scrub**  
for at least 15 seconds



**Rinse**  
well under warm  
running water



**Dry**  
hands with a clean towel





Providing  
food  
when the  
cupboard  
is bare

## HARVEST St Peter's School & St Peter's Church Cassington



The Season of Harvest in the Church year is approaching, a time when we are grateful for the good things we enjoy, and recommit ourselves to be generous to those in need. We will be collecting for the food bank again this year. The Food Bank makes up basic food parcels for individuals, couples and families who have been referred to them because they are in real need. It has been wonderful to see a steady support of this charity throughout the year from the community, particularly when things became challenging for many families during lockdown.

As a school and Church we be replenishing the stocks of the Food Bank to mark this festival.

### **The following items are needed for the Food Bank:**

#### **Tins:**

**FRUIT** (Mandarins, pineapple, peaches, pears, fruit cocktail)

**CUSTARD OR RICE PUDDING**

**MEAT** (all types including tinned pies)

**FISH** (Tuna)

**VEGETABLES** (peas, carrots, sweetcorn, potatoes)

**SOUP, BAKED BEANS, SPAGHETTI, VEGETARIAN MEALS**

#### **Packets/Jars:**

**RICE, NOODLES, PASTA (500g packets)**

**Pasta SAUCE**

**BREAKFAST CEREALS** (NOT oats)

**COFFEE, TEA** (and other beverages)

**SUGAR** (small packets)

**MILK** (UHT, powdered)

**Long life FRUIT JUICE**

**BISCUITS, JAMS & SPREADS, TREATS**

**Also welcome are: TOILET ROLLS, WASHING UP LIQUID WASHING MACHINE TABLETS**

When donating food, please ensure that it has a "best before date" of at least 6 months in advance

*If you would prefer to make a monetary donation please make cheques payable to 'North Oxford Community Food Bank' and place in an envelope or go to the web site:*

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

**If you would like to contribute to the Food Bank please bring your items to St Peter's Church.**

**ST PETER'S TOGETHER at ST PETER'S CHURCH  
HARVEST CELEBRATION**

*Sunday 4th October at 10am*

We will meet socially distanced outside in the grounds of the church for a short service to express our gratitude for God's provision, even in challenging times, and to encourage one another.

**All are welcome.**

## Wellbeing Guide

### Issue #19

Welcome to the Wellbeing Guide - practical activities to boost children's wellbeing.

**INSIDE OUT** is an innovative education charity created to improve the wellbeing of primary school children through our [5 Keys to Happiness](#). Our purpose is to inspire children to be happy, inside and out. You can find our 5 Keys poster to print out on the next page.

Have fun. Stay safe. Stay well.



### KEY 1 / LOOK INSIDE

Tune in to Churchie the dog's adventures in [Little Chapters of Chill](#), free 12-minute mindful stories to bring some chill to your day.

Simply sit back, relax and listen!

### KEY 2 / MOVE OUTSIDE

Try this fun [physical activity bingo](#) with your family or your classmates and see who can be the first to complete a line or get a full house!

If you finish it, why not try making your own?



### KEY 3 / SHARE MORE

Share your favourite summer memories with your friends and classmates and practice your listening skills with a simple sharing circle and a ball.

Whoever is holding the ball shares their stories, then pass it around the room!



### KEY 4 / BE CURIOUS

Did you know you can build your own [birds' nest](#) using just a few twigs and fallen leaves? Make sure to only use what you can find on the ground.

Don't forget to snap a picture of your visitors and share it with us on [Facebook](#)!



### KEY 5 / BE KIND

Compliment cards are a wonderful act of kindness that can spread joy and brighten someone's day. Write your own or print [these](#) and spread the love.

You could hand them out to friends or leave them for a stranger to find!



# 5 KEYS TO HAPPINESS

An evidence-based framework to improve wellbeing.



## 1 / LOOK INSIDE

Inspire self reflection,  
focusing, being quiet, self calming



## 2 / MOVE OUTSIDE

Promote non-competitive  
outdoor exercise



## 3 / SHARE MORE

Encourage connection,  
teamwork and communication



## 4 / BE CURIOUS

Stimulate growth mindsets,  
exploration, experimentation  
and making



## 5 / BE KIND

Support an attitude of  
caring for oneself, others  
and the environment



How to book a place

 0800 634 9310

 [www.irockschool.com/parents-form](http://www.irockschool.com/parents-form)

 [info@irockschool.com](mailto:info@irockschool.com)

Dear Parent or Guardian,

### \*COVID Secure Music Lessons – Join this September

The new school year is a great opportunity for your child to start iRock in-school rock band lessons. iRock band lessons are inclusive, fun and support children's wellbeing by building confidence, resilience and encouraging motivation through music.

#### How it works:

- o Children choose to become either a **vocalist, drummer, keyboard player or guitarist**. Please let us know what your child's preference is.
- o A dedicated and professional musician runs **30-minute weekly lessons throughout the school day**. We provide all the instruments and equipment in every lesson.
- o Lessons available to children **from reception to year 6** with no musical experience necessary.
- o **\*COVID Secure:** Instruments set at a safe distance and regular disinfecting of equipment before and after every use. *(Further information can be requested via email)*

#### Booking a place:

Your child can experience all the benefits of our weekly lessons for a monthly rolling subscription of just £29.99 with no payment due in August. We are confident your child will love iRock and we therefore give you the opportunity to cancel your subscription by the 20<sup>th</sup> of any month giving you full control and flexibility with your subscription.

To book your child's place please register your interest by visiting [www.irockschool.com/parents-form](http://www.irockschool.com/parents-form), email us on [info@irockschool.com](mailto:info@irockschool.com) or call us on 0800 634 9310.

Kind regards,

John & Josh Franklin

Founders of iRock