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C of E Primary School

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Newsletter 12 – July 2018

Dear Parents,

Only a week until the end of the school year! I hope you are looking forward to the holidays as much as we all are!

There is a lot to pack in to the final week, with the Leavers' service at the church on Monday, transition morning on Tuesday, the Year 6 trip to Horseshoe Lake on Wednesday and Sports' afternoon on Thursday. We will all be on our knees by Friday but I'm sure it will be worth it.

Leavers' Service

This is at 2 pm on Monday 16th July at St Peter's Church. Whilst this is mainly for parents and families of the Year 6 pupils who are moving on, all parents are welcome. The Year 6 children have been hard at work preparing for the service and I am sure it will be a lovely (possibly tear-jerking?) service.

Whilst we're on the subject of the Year 6s, I would like to wish them all well as they move on to their secondary schools. They have been an amazing class from their very first day in Reception; with every single teacher who has taught them being so impressed with their attitude and behaviour and the way they co-operate as a class. We will be very sorry to see them go but know that they will be a credit to us as they move on.

As they move on we will also be saying farewell to some families whom we have known for many years and who have supported the school in so many ways. Some have taken on key positions in our PTA, helping to organise amazing events and activities for the children and raising lots of funds, others have been on our Governing Body, working hard behind the scenes to ensure the school is always looking to improve and some have volunteered in school to run clubs and give the children wonderful opportunities to develop their creative talents and share these with the community. I cannot thank you all enough for the support that you have given our school. We will miss you!

More farewells

We will also be saying goodbye to Mrs Rayner and Miss Hill at the end of term.

Mrs Rayner has shared her love of music with us and has done so much to raise the profile of music in our school, bringing out musical talents in so many of the children.

Miss Hill has worked so hard to help make Cranford Park the successful school that it has become. As Business Manager she has a million responsibilities and jobs to do but always makes time to help parents with any queries they have, to comfort a child if they are feeling poorly or to congratulate a child that has been sent for a Headteacher's award.

I'm sure you join me in wishing them both well. They will be missed.

Transition

The children have already met their new teacher who came down to their class to have a chat with them this week. The children will then be spending the morning in their new classroom, and with their new teacher, on Tuesday 17th July. Please take them to their current class as usual at 8.30/8.45 am to register and they will swap classes at 9 am.

Whilst there will be minor changes to routines and the way things are organised in their new class, as a primary school all of the important things stay the same throughout the whole school so when helping to prepare your child for the move up to the next class, please do re-assure them of this.

If your child needs any equipment (other than the normal PE kit, reading bag, water bottle etc) then the class teachers will inform you of this by letter. There is no need to purchase pencil cases etc as these are not needed at all, and when buying bags for next year please bear in mind that space on the pegs is very limited so big bags do not fit on them and end up on the floor, becoming a trip hazard. PE bags

with the draw string are best for hanging up and book bags are best for going in drawers. If your child brings in a bag that is too big you may be asked to swap it so please do not spend lots of money on large rucksacks etc.

NSPCC

Thank you to everyone for supporting the sponsored workout activity. We raised over £350 for the charity, with Armstrong Class narrowly raising the most money out of all the classes.

Congratulations

Well done to Tilly, Oliver, Xander and Isabella who took part in a maths challenge at Yateley School in June. They worked brilliantly as a team to solve some very complicated problems and won the event!

Year 1 and 2 Trip to Manor farm

Earle and Armstrong Classes had a fantastic trip to Manor Farm last week and looked amazing in their Victorian costumes. Thank you to everyone for providing such great outfits- and for adapting them so that they weren't quite so uncomfortable in the heat.

All of the staff at the farm commented on the fantastic behaviour of the children and the coach driver said that they were the best group of children he had ever driven! High praise indeed! Well done!

Perform Drama School are offering a free trial session and £40 discount for members of Cranford Park Primary School if they sign up by Saturday 15th September. Parents should quote SPEJ150918 when they book their free session by going to perform.org.uk/try or calling 020 7255 9120.

Flyer with further details of where the nearest classes are will be sent home soon.

School dinners

From September 2018 the cost of a school dinner for children in years 3,4,5 and 6 who are not entitled to free school meals will increase to £2.30. Please remember that meals must be paid for in advance – this can be daily, weekly or whatever suits and can be via the online payment or cash to the school office.

HC3S will also be bringing in an extra option for key Stage 2 children to choose from. We will let you have the new menus when they are available.

Change of menu for Sports Day

HC3S caterers are putting on a special Sports day menu on Thursday 19th July which is:

Chicken Grill in a bap – RED option

Veggie goujon in a Bap – Green option

with

Hampshire apple juice, crunchy vegetable sticks, mini finger flapjack, ice lolly

There are **no** Year 6 or picnic bag options on this day.

As usual it is free of charge to KS1 pupils and £2.15 for KS2 pupils (free of charge if entitled to income based free school meals)

Sports' Afternoon

Our Sports' Afternoon will be held on Thursday 19th July on our school field – weather permitting!

The side gate will be opened from 12.45 so that you can come and get a spot to watch the events and there will be limited parking on the big playground for those of you that are not able to walk to the event. You will see the marked out area for spectators in the middle of the field. It is really important for safety reasons that you stay in this area and that any younger or older siblings stay in this area too. I know it is tempting to try to get a better view by waiting at the end of the track, but please don't.

The children will come out onto the field just after 1 pm, ready to start at 1.15pm.

At the beginning of the afternoon there is a circuit of activities set up, which the children take part in in colour teams. They move around all of the activities, competing in relay style events to earn points for their colour team. Brothers and sisters are always in the same groups so that you can follow them around the activities and cheer them on.

Once the circuit has been completed, the children will go to sit on the mats in their colour teams ready for the track races to start. These are run in year groups, and the children will have already been asked which races they would like to participate in. We try to make sure all children that want to run are included, and we never make children take part if they are unwilling.

At the end of the afternoon, the points are added up and the winning team is announced. This should be at around 3.00 pm but may run a little bit later.

When the whole event is finished the children will go back to their classrooms to collect their belongings and will then be released to you at the classroom door as usual.

On the day children will need:

- t-shirt in the colour of their team
- sports shorts
- sun hat
- sunscreen applied if hot

Water stations are available around the field.

After Sports day the PTA will be selling hotdogs, drinks and ice creams, and there will be bouncy castles and a splash zone to entertain the children. They will charging £2 for a 5 minutes on these.

Please be patient when waiting for the activities and food to start up after Sports day has finished as the parents and staff will all have been very busy with the afternoon's activities and will need some time to get ready.

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help run these and to Mr Bradshaw of TopBanana Bouncy castles for providing us with the bouncy castles.

Thank you also to Gina Overington at **Carsons & Co** for sponsoring sports day and giving us £50 donation.

PTA Discos

The final discos of the year will be on Tuesday 17th July, with Year R, 1 and 2 children from 5.15 pm to 6.15 pm and Years 3,4,5 and 6 from 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm. There will be sweets and tattoos sold at the Key Stage 2 disco but the younger children do not need to bring any money as drinks are provided for them.

Mufti day /last day

Our last day of term (Friday 20th July) will be a mufti day. Children can choose what they wear to school and we ask for a suggested donation of 50p as it is a half day. This goes to our PTA to support with funding additional resources and events for the children. Any contributions are greatly appreciated. Don't forget that we finish at 1.15 pm!

PTA Football World Cup Draw

Thank you to those people who have supported this event.

We now know who has won the 3rd and 4th place prizes of £5 each. Well done to Karen Haden- Homer who had England and Emma Hansford who had Belgium. The 1st and 2nd prizes of £20 and £10 will be decided on Sunday, but it is between Kylie Hazeldine who has France and Tom Brighton who has Croatia. Good luck to you both!

Judo taster sessions

Ollie (who runs our before and after school judo clubs) will be running taster sessions with all classes from year 1 to 6 during the morning of Wednesday 5th September. All children will get to try judo, with the opportunity to join a club if you would like them to.

Swimming

Swimming lessons will start the first week back after the holidays for all Year 5 pupils. This is part of the curriculum so all children must take part. They will continue until the May half term so need their swimming kit every week including a suitable swimming costume, not bikinis or Bermuda shorts, a towel and goggles if they prefer. They can wear hats to keep hair dry but do not need to. Earrings must not

be worn and if they have a verruca they should wear a special rubber sock to prevent it being transmitted to others.

INSET days 2018/19

Term dates for 2018/19, including when our Inset days will be, were sent out at the beginning of term. Please bear in mind that our Inset days do not always follow a holiday or half term and some will be on a Friday.

If you are thinking of booking a family holiday for next year, please look carefully at the dates as I am unable to authorise absences except in exceptional circumstances, and unauthorised absence could result in a fine. Please see our attendance policy, in the downloads section on our website, for more details.

Inset days next year will be:

Monday 3rd September 2018
Monday 29th October 2018
Friday 23rd November 2018
Monday 3rd June 2019
Friday 28th June 2019

Income based Free School Meals

As you may be aware, Universal Credit will be replacing many benefits, e.g. jobseekers allowance, that currently entitle children of qualifying parents to free school meals. In light of this, the Department for Education has introduced new criteria for free school meals eligibility, with all families in receipt of Universal Credit and earning an annual income of £7,400 or lower entitled to free school meals. From 1 April 2018, all existing free school meals claimants will continue to receive free school meals whilst Universal Credit is rolled out (currently scheduled to complete in March 2022). This will apply even if their circumstances change and their earnings rise above the new threshold during the rollout period. In addition, any child who gains eligibility for free school meals after 1 April 2018 (e.g. in July 2019), will also continue to receive free school meals during the Universal Credit rollout period. Once Universal Credit is fully rolled out, any existing claimants that no longer meet the eligibility criteria at that point (because they are earning above the threshold or are no longer a recipient of Universal Credit) will continue to receive free school meals until the end of their current phase of education (i.e. primary or secondary).

If you think you qualify and have not already made a claim, please go to <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants/> to check eligibility or speak to the school office. Please do this even if your child is in year R to 2 and in receipt of Universal free school meals as it means that the school is entitled to some additional money.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your continued support over this academic year and wish you all a fantastic Summer break and I look forward to seeing most of you again in September, and to those of you who we won't see please do keep in touch.

Yours sincerely



Georgina Edwards
Headteacher

Dates for your diary	
Friday 13 th July	Year 5 Technology Day at Frogmore Community College
Monday 16 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Service 2pm St Peter's Church
Tuesday 17 th July am	Transition Morning – children spend morning in new class
Tuesday 17 th July pm	Year 6 water fight
Wednesday 18 th July	Year 6 to Horseshoe Lakes
Thursday 19 th July	Sports' Afternoon 1pm
Friday 20 th July	School finishes for Summer Holidays 1.15 pm Mufti Day – suggested donation 50p
Monday 3 rd September	INSET day – school closed to pupils
Tuesday 4 th September	Children back to school
Wednesday 5 th September	Judo taster sessions for years 1-6
Thursday 6 th September	Swimming starts for Year 5 pupils
Wednesday 12 th to Friday 14 th September	Year 6 residential to Runway's End

You are invited to join in the
Summer Fun



Activities for children of all ages and their parents/carers
at St Peter's Church, Yateley GU46 7LR

Thursdays during the school Summer holidays from 10am - 12noon

Sports, craft, film, music & much more.
To keep up to date with all the details, please like our page: [facebook.com/summerfun](https://www.facebook.com/summerfun)

Activities will be held in the church, or on the green behind Café 46.
Food and drink available from Café 46 to eat in or takeaway.

Second Saturday of each month
3:30-5pm in St Peter's Church



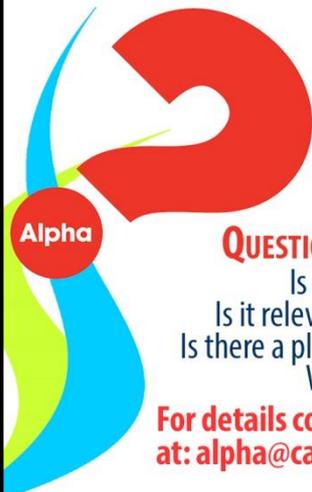
For primary & pre-school children, mums, dads, brothers, sisters, grandparents.
Enjoy doing creative things together plus a short service and a meal.

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St Peter's Church YATELEY

Contact us at: children@stpetersyateley.info
www.stpetersyateley.info/MessyChurch.html

Events at St Peter's Church



A basic introduction to the Christian faith
ALPHA COURSE AT **Café 46**

QUESTIONS ABOUT LIFE:
Is Christianity true?
Is it relevant to life today?
Is there a plan for my future?
Who is this Jesus?

STARTS SEPTEMBER

For details contact Gill Weeks or Suzie Bourne at: alpha@cafe46.org

WHO LET THE DADS OUT?

For dads, grandads, male carers and their children 0-7yrs

9:30-11:30am
3rd Saturday of every month in St Peter's church

£4 per family

Unlimited play: bouncy castle, train & car sets, Wendy house, lots of ride-on trikes & toys of all sorts. Bacon & egg rolls & food for the children