

# Friends of St Peter's News

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## EXPERIENCE A FREEFALL THRILL WITH A TANDEM PARACHUTE JUMP!



We are very lucky to be able to offer the amazing experience of a tandem parachute jump with RAF Parachute Jumping Instructor and St Peter's Parent, Danny Ball. Danny has a wealth of jump experience and has kindly offered to donate his time to bring you this once in a lifetime experience at **The London Parachute School** in Wallingford. You can find out more about The London Parachute School and terms and conditions on their website at [www.skydivinglondon.com](http://www.skydivinglondon.com).

The jump costs £250, which can be taken out of the funds you raise so there is no cost to you, or you can pay for the jump separately yourself – all we ask is that you commit to raising a minimum £200 for St Peter's School in addition to this. If you would like to be entered into the draw for one of the 3 available spaces, please email [friendsofstpetersalvescot@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofstpetersalvescot@gmail.com) by **25 May 2018**.

Our sincere thanks to Danny and Clare for their generosity in offering this awesome experience to help raise funds for St Peter's School.

## SILVER SMARTIES

This May half term we will again be sending out tubes of Smarties for our Helping Hands Silver Smarties half term project. The idea is that pupils and their siblings lend a helping hand around the house and garden over half term and fill their empty tube (after they've enjoyed the smarties!) with copper, silver and perhaps even gold coins! A ParentMail has been sent out so that you can request extra tubes for siblings. Hopefully this will help keep little hands occupied during the holiday while also raising funds for School.

## ICE CREAM FRIDAYS ARE BACK!



The sun is out and summer is here so please remember your 50ps on Fridays for lollies and ice creams! Always plenty for grown-ups and little ones!

## BOOK WEEK, QUIZ & ANSWERS

Well done to all those families who entered our Book Quiz as part of the School Book Week Celebrations. A special 'well done' to the winners in each year group – if you were left wondering about some of the answers, then we have attached them to this newsletter! Thank you so much to the Packman family for super work writing the quiz!



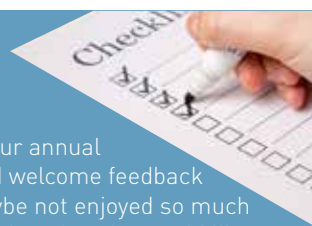
During Book Week, pupils enjoyed an educational and inspiring visit from author Adam Guillian, which was partly funded by FoSP donations; a really fantastic experience and great to see your donations in action! Thank you!

## STAMPTASTIC

If you're planning on labelling new uniform over the summer, please have a look at [www.stamptastic.co.uk](http://www.stamptastic.co.uk) if you quote our school code **OX182PU** on any orders we can also claim rewards on your order.

## PARENT/CARER QUESTIONNAIRE

We will shortly be sending out our annual Parent/Carer Questionnaire and welcome feedback on what you've enjoyed and maybe not enjoyed so much from our fundraisers this year; ideas for what you'd like to see more of would also be appreciated.



## VILLAGE FETE

The Swinging Sixties is coming to Alvescot at our Village Fete on Saturday 16th June! This is a great afternoon of traditional Fete fun, and St Peter's pupils will be entertaining the crowds with their singing and dancing. There are lots of ways you can support the Fete – helping out on one of the School stalls, donating goods to be sold, donating a prize for the Children's Raffle or simply coming along and enjoying yourselves! We look forward to seeing you there and please do look out on ParentMail for ways to support this fantastic event, raising funds for many good causes in our village including our School.

## FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S, ALVESCOT BECOMES A CHARITY!

We are really pleased to announce that our application to register the Friends of St Peter's with the Charity Commission has been successful! Our Charity Registration Number is 1177978 and we have five fantastic Trustees; Kerry Lane, Kathy Gamage, Lyndsy Doyle, Clare Bryant-Ball and Andrea Couch.

We still plan to hold the same fun events and day to day our fundraising won't change, but on top of this we also aim to give you more information about our long-term plans; for example, we will publish a 5-year fundraising plan, and describe school resources and projects we hope to fund along with our fundraising targets for each school year.

## EASTER EGG HUNT

A huge thank you for supporting our Easter Egg Hunt which raised over £310 to fund school resources. We were once again blessed with great weather, yummy cakes and tricky clues – our thanks to Mrs Lawton and our volunteers for making the day such a success!



## COMING UP NEXT TERM!

### FAMILY BBQ

We are looking forward with the school team to hosting the end of year Family BBQ, which will follow after Sports Day on Friday 29th June. Always a fun afternoon and a great way to celebrate the end of the school year as one big St Peter's Family. Feel free to bring along picnic blankets, beverages, and your own plates/cutlery – your ticket price will include burgers for grown-ups, hot dogs and ice cream for children, and sides/salads. We would love donations of desserts if you are

able to help. Simon Says Magic will be providing entertainment for the little ones and there will be a Summer Raffle (if you'd like to donate a prize, that would be fab!). A ParentMail will follow soon so you can book your tickets.

### TEXTILE COLLECTION

We are planning to hold a textile collection at school during term 6, to raise funds – the more we collect, the more pennies we raise! We will be working with the School Council to organise this as

part of their Recycling and Reuse Project so your support would be much appreciated. We will confirm the date for this very soon!

### LOTTO IN SEPTEMBER

Look out for more information early next term about our new School 50/50 Lotto which will start in October! Plans have been underway for awhile now to get this up and running and we are nearly there! This will be a great way to win a pot of cash each month while raising funds for school.

## Easyfundraise with St Peter's

### Please remember...

If you are booking your summer holidays or shopping online, please remember St Peter's can benefit from your online orders at no extra cost to yourself.

It's really easy to register, and you can download an easy to use app to your phone or tablet. The donations very quickly add up and we regularly get a cheque sent through for the funds raised.

There are no catches or hidden charges, simply:



1. Head to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpetersschoolalvescot/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpetersschoolalvescot/) and join for free.



2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, find the site you want and start shopping.



3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to St Peter's for no extra cost!



## SHOPPING BAGS & COOKBOOKS

Our Jute Shopping Bags are still available to buy at £4 each and a limited number of Cookbooks are on sale at £5 each – please pop into the school office to pick up yours!

## KEY STAGE 2 AMAZON WISHLIST

Many thanks for your continuing support for our WishList. To donate a book to the KS2 library, please browse through our WishList at:

[www.amazon.co.uk/gp/registry/wishlist/?ie=UTF8&cid=A3QUW8EGJCXUD1](http://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/registry/wishlist/?ie=UTF8&cid=A3QUW8EGJCXUD1)

or search for the WishList using **StPetersSchoolAlvescot**.

Once you've decided which book you'd like to donate, please check the book out and add a note to 'gift options' with your details (for example 'kindly donated by the Brown Family') so that we can add a bookplate inscription. Your chosen book will be a wonderful lasting gift to the school while also promoting a lifelong love of reading.

