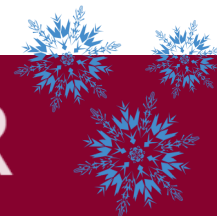


St Peter's NEWSLETTER

PRIMARY SCHOOL

12th January
2024



Dear families,

Happy New Year! I hope you have all had a wonderful break. Myself and all the staff would like to say a huge **thankyou** for your very generous sentiments, cards and gifts. They were very much appreciated.

Clubs started this week and are well attended. We hope your children are enjoying the new selection. Please make sure they have warm/waterproof layers if their club runs outside. Please note Magical maths runs until 4.05pm.

Our school **website** has been **updated** over Christmas and contains a lot of information which you may find useful. www.stpeters.oxon.sch.uk

DATES COMING UP

*(parents are welcome at events in **italics bold**)*

Tues 16th Pegasus swimming

Thurs 18th **Residential Information mtgs**

Phoenix class 3.15-3.45pm

Pegasus class 3.45-4.15pm

Mon 22nd **U11 Sports hall Athletics—selected pupils**

Tues 23rd Pegasus swimming



This term has got quickly underway with all classes starting **new topics** (more information sent via parentmail). Cygnus enjoyed a pyjama day with hot chocolate, Pegasus went swimming and enjoyed a super Science workshop lead by award winning author and Scientist; Jules Pottle. www.artfulfoxcreatives.com

Our theme for **Collective Worship and PSHCE** this term across the whole school is **dreams and goals**. We will be exploring how we can help ourselves and others to achieve academically, socially and emotionally. We will also be exploring our own ideas and feelings about our dreams and goals.

We **welcomed Rev. MacInnes** this week to tell us all about Epiphany and our School Pupil Council have made some wonderful posters to remind us all about how to look after the play equipment and use it safely. This term our **older play leaders** will be leading games for younger pupils every Friday.



The new Spring food menus start from 19th February and will be sent out shortly for you to choose options in advance. Please complete by **2nd Feb**.

— THE —
SCHOOL LUNCH
— COMPANY —

Why not sign up for a **parent workshop** on managing feelings. Mary Taylor, Head of Parent Programmes, will go through ways in which parents and families can support their children through difficult feelings at home. Sign up here - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdWjI5Kor_BZ0Z2-ZkZmeEiDTQJOSbwuHTzAPszpJn1WuLjg/viewform

Inspire children to tell their own story and write for fun. They could become a published author! See the poster on the next page for more details of a short story writing



'How was your day?' is a question many of us ask and we don't often get a detailed answer! Attached with the newsletter email is a booklet with lots of ideas of questions that might get you a bit more information from your child! You can also use the learning information below to ask about. If your child has an achievement they would like to share, please do email the office and/or bring it in to share in Friday assembly. If your child has a birthday and would like to donate a book as a gift to school, the Amazon wish list can be found [here](#). Stay warm,

Diana

WHAT HAS MY CHILD BEEN LEARNING THIS WEEK?

- Cygnus** Our new topic 'Starry night'. Exploring the differences between the world at night compared to daytime. We've talked about space and are learning a song about the Earth, Moon, and Sun. The children have discussed bedtime routines and learnt about incredible nocturnal animals.
- Tucana** learning some of the London landmarks, the countries in the United Kingdom and their capital cities. We have also been learning about the seasons and why our weather changes at different times of year.
- Phoenix** Starting our new Rocks, Relics and Rumbles topic; learning about the layers of the earth and performing volcano poetry.
- Pegasus** Exploring characters from our new English focus book 'The Wolf Wilder', revising equivalent fractions in Maths and learning about our new topic: Frozen Kingdoms.

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SHORT STORY

WRITING COMPETITION!

Are you aged between 7 and 11?
Do you love writing?

Why not have a go at writing a short story for our competition?

It can be on any topic and up to 1,000 words long

The winning story will be published as an eBook for library members to borrow!

More information and instructions on how to enter can be found on the Oxfordshire Libraries website.

 @oxonlibraries Entries open: **11 December 2023**
 Oxfordshire Libraries Closing date: **11 February 2024**

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/shortstorycompetition



Alvescot Village Association

PUBLIC MEETING

**Monday 22 January
7.00 p.m.**

St Peter's School

An opportunity to get involved in community life in Alvescot.

The village's fund-raising charity which organises such fun events as the annual **FETE** is looking for new Members. Anyone living or working in the village, over the age of 16, is eligible for appointment. There are approximately five meetings a year.

If you think you could help, come along to find out more.

www.alvescot.org.uk

Abingdon School in Partnership presents

Supporting ourselves & our children in managing difficult feelings


THE CENTRE FOR
**EMOTIONAL
HEALTH**


Join Mary Taylor, Head of Parent Programmes at the Centre for Emotional Health, who will discuss ways we can support our children's difficult feelings at home.

Please note that this will not be recorded.

SIGN UP HERE | **THURSDAY 1 FEBRUARY**
8:00pm - 9:00pm




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