

# St Peter's Church of England Primary School Updated Notices Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023

We just wanted to update parents on a few areas at this halfway point of our first week back, as there have been things that we have needed to communicate...



### Meet the teacher sessions

These will take place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September (this evening). Teachers will run two sessions for parents who have children in different year groups. Session 1 will be at 5pm and Session 2 at 5.30pm.

If you are attending, please make your way through the blue gate, then proceed to your child's classroom.

These sessions are for parents of children in Y1-Y6. Reception children have had home visits, therefore there is no need for Reception parents to be attending.

Where possible can you please come alone. However, we do realise that if you are unable to get childcare, we ask you bring your child an activity to do.

### **Uniform and Earrings**

Please can you ensure you have labelled every piece of uniform. The weather is particularly warm and as the children are taking off new jumpers/cardigans, we want to be able to get them back to the child promptly. This can be done using a pen on the label.

We have noticed a lot of children have had their ears pierced over the summer and are not at the stage where they can change their earrings to spacers. We are going to be discussing the uniform policy inc. earrings with governors at up-and-coming meetings.

However, until this point where possible can we please ask you to use spacers. If this is not possible at this stage, please ensure your child comes to school in the small studs which their ears were pierced with. It will be expected that your child's ears are covered with micropore tape. This is for health and safety reasons.

# Welcome Back to School Social Event

The Summer social was postponed due to weather. The new date is **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September** and we do hope you can make it!

Families may bring a blanket / camping chairs and make their way to the event which will take place on the school field. The flyer from "The Friends" outlines what is taking place.

For our new families it is a great way to allow your children to play and meet our school families.

### Warm Weather

We are currently experiencing very warm weather. Please can you ensure your child has sun cream on before school a hat. We do expect the children to have water bottles that contain water only.

# Use of Playground Equipment During the Morning and Safety



We have been so impressed with how the children are using the play equipment and have had some wonderful playtimes so far this week.

Therefore, if you are happy to supervise your child and they stick to the rules which we have outlined to them, they are able to use the Trim Trail before the school day.

The only thing we kindly ask is that you supervise and ensure that they are using the equipment safely. We also kindly ask that you vacate the playground before 3:30pm, so we can have the site secure for after school club.

All the play equipment has been installed by a reputable company and is approved play equipment for schools. We have risk assessments and have implemented measures to prevent accidents and injuries. Playtimes are monitored and children are taught how they should be using the equipment. However, as with any play activities with or without equipment accidents may occur. We have explained to the children how to use each piece of equipment to prevent this as far as possible.

# **Allergies**

As a reminder, we are a nut free school. Please can you ensure that your child does not bring nut products into school as part of snacks or lunches.

We also have a child with a severe allergy to blackcurrant in any form e.g. juice, berries, additives. Therefore, to prevent any mishaps e.g. children sharing food / juices we do not allow blackcurrant products to be consumed in school. This includes blackcurrant in water bottles and apple fruit shoots in packed lunches.

# Consent for Use of Photographs

We have lots of photographs already to share the children using the new play space. The reason they have not been posted is because we are wanting to make sure we have up to date consent.

We will be basing the consent on our current records. Therefore, if you want to make any changes to where your child's image can or cannot be used, please can you email the school office: bursar@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk

#### Reception Children

All Reception children are having a positive start to the school! We are really impressed with how they are settling and exploring the class and outdoor area.

They will have their first school lunch on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September and need to be collected at 1:20pm

Next week they will be in school Monday – Thursday 8:40-1:20pm and then on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> it will be their first full day.

# Year 4 Swimming Starts on Monday 11th September

Please can all Y4 children have the appropriate swimming kits in school on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September. They are familiar with the teachers and swimming pool and we have consent from the previous swimming sessions. Please make sure that we are aware of any changes, if needed.

