



Bryn St Peter's C of E Primary School September 2020 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome Back!

How great it has been to see all the children return to school, all so positive and ready to get stuck in.

The drop off and pick up times have become much smoother as last week progressed. **Thank you** for your support with this. Next week the children will be moving up to their next classes (so a new starting and finishing time) and we will be joined by the new reception children. Hopefully we all can help our new children (and parents) settle in to school life. Please note that **only one adult is invited to drop off/pick up your child(ren)** to keep numbers on the playground to a minimum.

Parking

Please do not attempt to park on Cooke Street.

We need to keep Cooke Street clear of cars to ensure the safety of the children and adults who are walking into this new entrance.

Why all the rules and changes?

We are trying to protect your children, you and our staff. If we have a covid case in school, the bubble will have to close and everyone in it will have to self-isolate for 2 weeks. We really want to avoid this, so please help us, by following our systems to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Birthdays

The children decided that it would be a great idea if they could choose what they could wear to school on their birthday. We think this is a great thing to do.

If it is your child's birthday at a weekend they can choose whether to have their **non uniform day** on a Friday or a Monday and if your child's birthday is in a holiday they can decide whether their special day will be the week before or the week after.

Books for Birthdays

Another idea that was offered by one of our parents was, as we are a 'Healthy School', we prefer not to give sweets or cake on birthdays, but if instead you would like to donate a favourite (new) book to your child's class to celebrate their birthday, we will put an insert to show who brought it, the year and what birthday it celebrates. Your child will leave a lasting legacy to their class!

Two great ideas, I hope you will agree, and another way to help your child celebrate their uniqueness, during their time at St Peters.

PLEASE KEEP CHECKING THE WEBSITE FOR UPDATES!

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School Dinners

As we have to keep our 'bubbles' of children apart, lunch time has had to be organised in a different way. Whilst we settle into this new groove we are offering a packed style lunch this week. Hot dinners will be reintroduced on Monday 14th. Please pay online for dinners where possible.

Snack

We will be offering toast to all classes from this year. If your child would like to have a piece of toast in the morning break, please send in £1 in a labelled envelope (name, class, amount and what it is for) with your child into class. Payments cannot be taken directly to the office. We are looking for an alternative way to offer milk, so there will be no milk at the moment. Please send your child in with a bottle of plain water to sip throughout the day.

Getting to know your new class teacher and teaching assistants

As we cannot hold a 'meet the teacher' session, your child's new teacher has put as much information as possible on their class page on the website. They will continue to 'talk' to you through this page. So please keep checking for updates, news and ideas. If you want to speak to your child's class teacher, please email the office and we will arrange this or phone into school and they will call you back after home time. We will also be perfecting our online learning offer this term, so that if 'bubbles' have to be sent home for 2 week self-isolation periods (if there is a case) we can offer great quality online learning once again. We also welcome 2 new members of staff to school this year: Charlotte Freeman in Reception class and Nicole Rushton in the School Office. We hope you can make them feel welcome as they start at St Peter's.

Dates for your Diary.

Date	What's happening	Who?
Weds 21 st Sept	Tempest photographs	Whole school
Fri 2 nd Oct	Harvest Celebration	Whole School
Mon 5 th Oct	Bikeability (4 days)	Year 6
Thurs 15 th Oct	Flu immunisations	Whole school
Mon 26 th Oct	Half Term week	

Finally, in spite of the challenges, we look forward to a great year at St Peter's and thank you, in advance, in helping us to give your children many opportunities to 'shine'.

Yours Sincerely,
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