

Petersgate News



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Autumn Term
2020

1st October

Reminders ~ October

Monday 5th to Friday 9th ~ Walk to School Week

Monday 5th ~ Octopus Visit Butser Farm

Tuesday 6th ~ Turtle Visit Butser Farm / Seahorse Gardening

Wednesday 7th ~ Manta Ray Visit Butser Farm / Octopus Gardening

School Photos

Monday 12th October

Octopus and Lobster—school uniform will need to be worn on this day and not sportswear

PE Days

Monday ~ Octopus & Lobster

Tuesday ~ Turtle

Wednesday ~ Manta Ray

Thursday ~ Seahorse & Whale

A one-way system will continue around the school grounds (please adhere to this). Therefore the back gate will not be in use for Petersgate families

Social distancing must be maintained at all times

Living Streets Walk to School Week— Monday 5th to Friday 9th October

We will be taking part in Living Streets Walk to School Week from Monday 5th to Friday 9th October. A letter has been sent home this week with more information, please check in your child's book bag.

This was originally scheduled to take place in May during the partial closure and rather than reprinting all the resources for this, Living Streets have reused them. Please note the date on the information we are sending home is incorrect and we are taking part in this next week.

Walk to School Week is where children and their families around the UK unite for one week of walking to school.

The five-day walking challenge is a fun and engaging activity, raising awareness and celebrating walking for all. Not only will it set your child up for a positive day in the classroom, it will also help create healthy habits for life and this is a good opportunity to discuss road safety messages too.

Whilst we hope as many parents as possible will leave their cars at home, we appreciate many cannot avoid driving. In order to include as many children as possible, we would encourage parents to park and stride—parking safely from the school and walking the remaining distance.

Every time your child walks to school they can mark it on the chart in their classroom and at the end of the week they will receive a certificate.



Attendance—September

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| Clownfish | 98.2% |
| Jellyfish | 97.3% |
| Starfish | 98.3% |
| Manta Ray | 96.9% |
| Octopus | 98.6% |
| Turtle | 96.4% |
| Lobster | 97.1% |
| Seahorse | 97.8% |
| Whale | 97.2% |

Well done
To
Octopus Class!

Year 1—Visit to Butser Ancient Farm

As part of the Homes topic, Year 1 children will be visiting Butser Ancient Farm. We will be travelling by minibus and classes will be visiting on:-

Octopus—Monday 5th October

Turtle—Tuesday 6th October

Manta Ray—Wednesday 7th October

If you **did not** book a school picnic lunch, please ensure your child brings a packed lunch from home.

School uniform **should not be** worn—clothing should be old and each child will, if necessary, need warm and waterproof clothing, as part of the activities on the day involves the children in rather messy occupations. Wellington boots should be carried in a named plastic bag for changing into when we arrive at the Farm. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle into school. Thank you

Gardening

Classes will be outside in the school garden with Mrs Martin on the following days:-

Seahorse—Tuesday 6th October

Octopus—Wednesday 7th October

Whale—Tuesday 13th October

Lobster—Tuesday 20th October

Please could you send your child to school dressed in suitable gardening clothes and, if necessary, an old or washable coat. They will need to wear normal school shoes and bring with them a pair of named outdoor shoes/wellington boots in a named bag. Thank you. Gardening gloves are provided by the school and we will work indoors or under the canopy if the weather is bad. Generously funded by PoPS!

Octopus & Lobster—PE on Monday 12th October

On Monday 12th October, children in Octopus & Lobster class are to wear their school uniform instead of sportswear so they can have their school photograph taken in their uniform.

Both classes will have their PE lesson on this day, so could we please ask that your child brings into school for this day only, their PE kit i.e. T-shirt, Shorts & Trainers in a PE bag (ensuring all items are clearly labelled). Thank you.

Individual Photographs—Monday 12th October

'Yellow' School Photographers will be coming into school on Monday 12th October to take individual photographs of your child.

Each child will have an individual photograph taken during school hours.

We apologise we are unable to take sibling photographs this year.

Manta Ray—Gardening on Wednesday 14th October

Manta Ray class will be taking part in a gardening lesson with Mrs Martin on Wednesday 14th October

As the children will be coming to school in their sportswear for their PE lesson on the same day, the children **do not** need to bring in any change of clothing for the gardening lesson, they will wear their sportswear for this.

Gardening gloves are provided by the school and we will work indoors or under the canopy if the weather is bad. Generously funded by PoPS!

Parents Evenings

Thank you for completing the online form with regard to parents evenings which will take place week beginning Monday 19th October.

A 10 minute time slot to speak to your child's class teacher via a Zoom call or telephone call will be available to book shortly—please look out for a ParentMail for when bookings will be live. If you asked for an email update this will be sent during the same week

If you have any queries please contact the school office by email or telephone.

Sea Urchins Clubs

When booking sessions at Sea Urchins Before and After School Clubs could you please make sure that you book your child into a session and not just turn up as we cannot guarantee that there will be a space for your child.

You can book up to midnight the day before and you can book ahead, as long as your account is in credit. We would be grateful if you can book as far ahead as possible to enable the clubs to be appropriately staffed. Thank you for your understanding.

Starting School—September 2021

Will your child be starting school next September 2021 and is born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017?

Due to the current situation and with social distancing we are asking for parents to email the school office adminoffice@petersgate-inf.hants.sch.uk and as soon as we have further information we will update you.

Applications for a school place opens on Sunday 1st November. If you would like more information you can find this on HCC's website hants.gov.uk/admissions.

Petersgate Community Celebrations

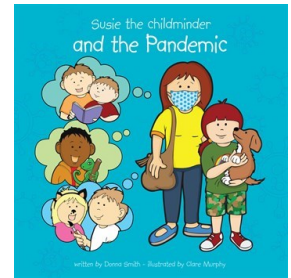
We would like to extend our celebrations from school achievements to our 'Petersgate Family' achievements. We would like to write your achievements in our weekly newsletter to share with other families and friends.

Perhaps you or your child has taken part in an event, has recently achieved something outside of school or helped in the community. We would love to hear all about it!

If you would like to share with us then please email your stories to adminoffice@petersgate-inf.hants.sch.uk with details of all that you have achieved or taken part in. If you have any photos then we would like to add these too. We look forward to hearing your stories and celebrate with the Petersgate Family.

Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service Education Team

We are very excited to share with you that Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service Education Team have launched a new child's book aimed at teaching children how to stay safe during a pandemic.



Launched as part of the popular Keeping Safe with Susie the Childminder series, Susie the Childminder and the Pandemic will help teach children about the importance of community, building resilience and staying safe, healthy and positive during challenging times.

The book has been written as an educational tool to help teachers have open discussions with children about how the Covid-19 pandemic is affecting us all, now and in the future.

You can access the online page turner version via their [Kidzone](#) or by using the following web address:

www.hansfire.gov.uk/kidzone-and-schools/susie-the-childminder

Lunch Leaders Required



**Do you enjoy working with children?
Are you caring, enthusiastic
and well organised?**

We need you to join our team of 'super' Lunchtime Leaders

Duties:

- Supervising the children in the dining hall and promoting good manners & supporting healthy eating
- Supervising the children during play activities on the playground or in the classroom during wet play
- Administering minor first aid
- Ensuring the safety, welfare and positive behaviour of pupils
- Be able to work on your own initiative and as part of a team

Positions available for: - 12.00– 1.15pm Monday—Friday
(from November 2020)

Or: - a casual basis
(to cover as and when needed)

Term time only

Grade A

£9.25 - £9.43 per hour
(FTE £17,842 - £18,198)

**If you are interested in the vacancy, please contact the school office
for an application form.**

Petersgate Infant School and Hampshire County Council are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We will ensure that all our recruitment and selection practices reflect this commitment. All successful candidates will be subject to Disclosure and Barring Service checks along with other relevant employment checks.



PoPS Abseil Challenge

The abseil is nearly here!! The nerves are starting to kick in as it's this Sunday at 5pm that, Mrs Cook, Mrs Maudsley and 5 PoPS parents are taking the dive.

We are hoping to live stream the event on our Facebook page so please come and virtually cheer them on.

Thank you so much to everyone that has donated on the Gofundme, we have raised £625 so far! If you would like to donate please visit; <https://gf.me/u/ysqwkq> or you can donate via the sponsorship forms that were sent out. Thank you!

Clothing Bank

The clothing bank has been emptied!

Thank you to everyone that has been using the clothing bank! All clothes, shoes, hats, bags, bedding, towels and SOFT TOYS can be donated there! It all helps.

Christmas Raffle

We will be putting together Christmas Hampers for each class, each class will have a 'theme'. At the moment we are looking for volunteers from each class to take the lead and organise this. Please contact me either by email/text or via Facebook if you can help!!

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**Christmas Card
Artwork—coming
home next week**

**Watch this space
for more Christmas
events, coming very
soon!!**



*PoPS has a Facebook page
PoPS (Petersgate Infant School)
where we share information about
our events and fundraising. Please
join if you are not already in the
group. Thank you!*

POPs



Abseil

CHALLENGE

of the

**SPINNAKER
TOWER**



**SUNDAY
4th OCTOBER**

Come cheer
Mrs Cook, Mrs Maudsley
and 4 POPs Parents
take the dive!

**Fundraising for vital funds
for our School...**

to donate...
visit

<https://gf.me/u/ysqwkw>

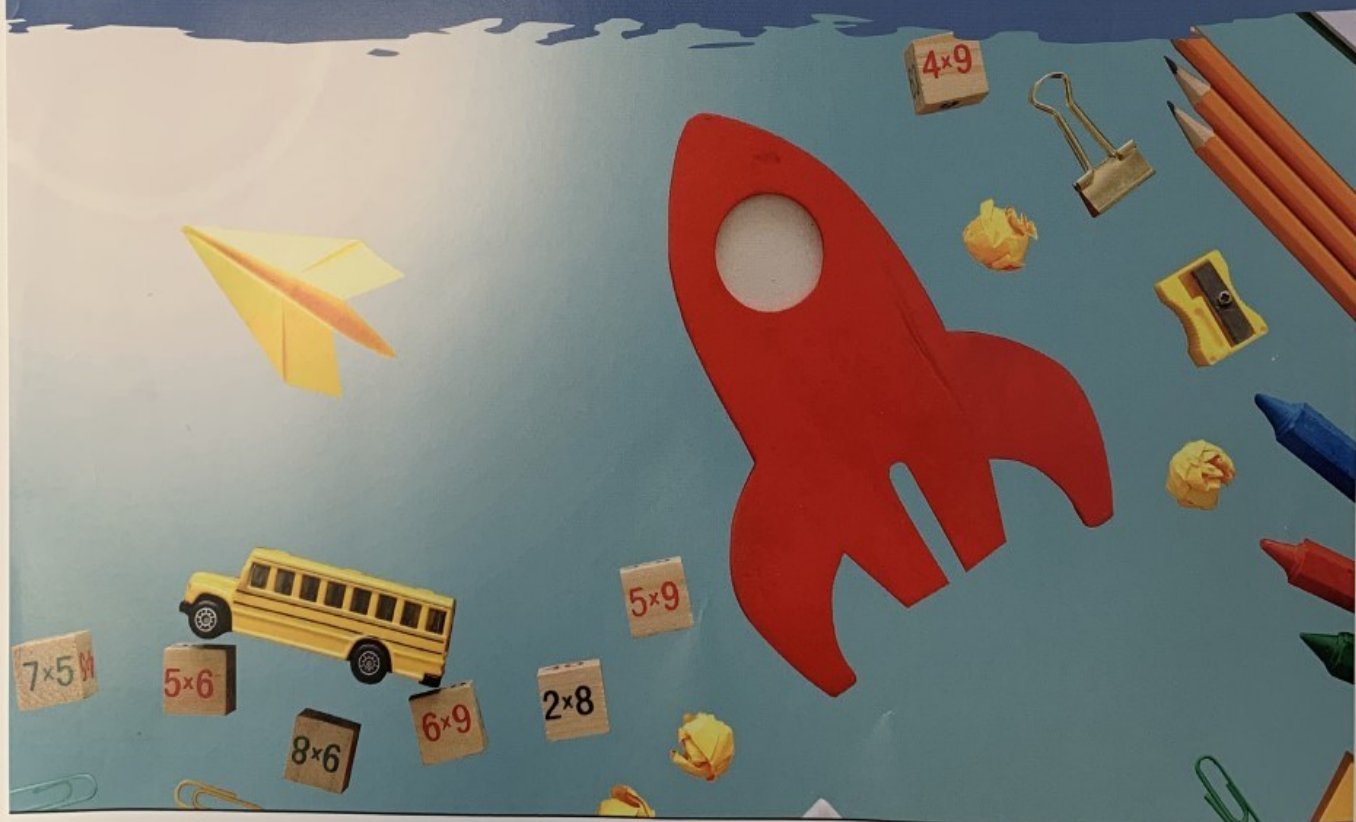
Starting school in September 2021

If your child is 4 or will turn 4 before
1 September 2021, they can start school in September 2021.

For more information go to
www.hants.gov.uk/admissions

Applications open for Hampshire residents on 1 November 2020.

**THE NATIONAL CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS
IS FRIDAY 15 JANUARY 2021
DON'T MISS IT!**



Hampshire
County Council

www.hants.gov.uk

Hampshire SENDIASS Special Educational Needs and Disability Independent Advice and Support Service

Hampshire SENDIASS offer information, advice and support on issues relating to a child or young person's special educational needs or disability. The service is free, confidential and impartial. You can [click here](#) to watch a video that explains more about how they work with families. Their website is www.hampshiresendiass.co.uk.

Sometimes information is not enough. You may want help to gather information, make sense of it and apply it to your own situation. Hampshire SENDIASS is there to provide advice, and they offer this service by email, on the telephone and through work with groups.

Their opening hours are Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm, and on Fridays 9am-4pm. Their telephone number is 0808 164 5504, and their email address is info@hampshiresendiass.co.uk. Further information can be found on the attached flyer at the end of the newsletter.

HPCN Hampshire Parent Carer Network—Hampshire Parent Carer Network (HPCN) offers parent/carers of children and young people, aged 0-25 with additional needs (diagnosed or not) or disability, the opportunity to tell the Local Authority, Health and other services, what life is really like.

Joining HPCN—When you join as a member of HPCN, you can access sessions, events and training opportunities. There is a monthly newsletter full of information and ways to get involved. The best part is you can choose how little or how much you want to be involved. You can complete a survey here and there, come to a local session or join as a parent rep (more on that below!). To join [click here](#)

Parent Reps and Steering Group—Parent representatives attend several meetings and work streams with Hampshire County Council and other key stakeholders such as Health. Parent/carers attend these meetings to give first-hand experience and input to the decision makers- representing the views of parents across Hampshire. Full training is given and the team will support you. If you would be interested in participating directly, please do email participation@hpcn.org.uk for a chat.

There is also a steering group who manage the strategic running of the forum and future direction. Again, if this interests you or you would like to find out more, send an email [click here](#).

Social media—There is a very active Facebook page [click here](#). This page is updated regularly with lots of helpful info like consultations, session dates and more. However, as well as this, there are 8 local pages across the districts in the County. On these pages, parents are able to offer peer support, share experiences and share local information. To find your district, search HPCN Share Together followed by your district (eg: New Forest, Havant, East Hants).

Events—HPCN run regular events to support parent/carers and to share ideas experiences. For the Autumn term, all events are taking place online. Full details of events can be found on their website [click here](#). These include:

- **Get Togethers**—A way to meet and share ideas with other parents in your local area over tea or coffee. With occasional guest speakers, these sessions are largely to allow you to have an opportunity to have your say in a relaxed environment. [click here](#)
- **Future in Mind**—For parents with children or young people who are struggling with their mental health. If your child is attending or waiting to attend CAMHS, then these meetings allow you to share strategies and experience with other parents and keep up to date with CAMHS. [click here](#)
- **Meet the SEN Team**—An opportunity to meet representatives from Education, Health and Social care to ask your questions.
- **Workshops Training and workshop opportunities** to learn more about matters such as the EHCP process, annual reviews etc.



SENDIASS stands for Special Educational Needs & Disabilities Information Advice & Support Service.

Hampshire SENDIASS offer a free, confidential and impartial service for parent carers, children and young people from 0-25 in Hampshire. The service offers expertise on issues relating to a child's or young person's special educational needs or disability. No diagnosis is needed to access our service. The service can help you to explore:

- National and local policy
- The Local Offer
- Your rights and choices
- Your opportunities to participate
- Where you can find help and advice
- How to resolve disagreements
- How you can access support



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We use our lived-in experience to shape, challenge and ultimately improve services for our children and young people living in Hampshire. Professionals have a duty to listen to parent carers and with HPCN your voice will be heard loud and clear.



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participation@hpcn.org.uk

 HampshireParentCarerNetwork

www.hpcn.org.uk

Join us!

As a member of HPCN, you will receive access to training opportunities, our monthly newsletter and regular opportunities to have your say on key topics. You can join us via our website, or call us if you do not have access to the internet.

Future in Mind



Do you care for a child or young person who struggles with their mental health? Is your child attending, or waiting to attend, CAMHS? Future in Mind sessions run at multiple locations in Hampshire and provide an opportunity to share strategies, meet other local parents and keep up to date with the CAMHS service.

Get Togethers

HPCN offer Get Togethers at multiple locations across Hampshire. An opportunity to share your experiences and ideas with other local families in a friendly environment.

To find out where your nearest Get Together or Futures in Mind session is, contact us or find us on Facebook 'Hampshire Parent Carer Network'



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