# **Petersgate News**

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# Important Dates for your Diary

Monday 8th March - All Children return to school!

Wednesday 17th March — PoPS non-uniform day 4 wear green

Friday 2nd to Friday 16th April — Easter Holidays

# ATTENTION ALL FAMILIES

Returning on Monday 8th March

Please ensure social distancing is maintained at all times and <u>all adults</u> wear a face covering when on the school premises—thank you

### COVID-19

Please remember it is still vital you keep us up to date with any symptoms, tests and results from anyone in your household via the school email address

We also need to know if a pupil is required to selfisolate due to track and trace or close contact with a positive case

Thank you for helping keep everyone safe

#### Returning to school—Monday 8th March

Following the announcement by the Government, we will be welcoming back all children on Monday 8th March.

Further details were sent via ParentMail on Monday 1st March.

#### School Timings

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we again try to manage school drop off and collection times. It is not easy to ensure the arrangements work for all families but hope you know we will continue to work with you to find solutions should school runs become challenging.

We are required to continue with the staggered timings for each year group and therefore we have tried to return to times as close to 'normal' as possible—if we can remember that far back!

Our 'normal' timings prior to COVID restrictions were 8:40am-8:50am until 3:20pm. They are now:-

8:45am—3:05pm (Year 2)

8:55am—3:15pm (Year 1)

9:05am—3:25pm (Early Years)

#### Please do not arrive earlier or later than these times

Throughout these difficult times, we have had to respond to Government guidance and last minute announcements and make changes accordingly. We do hope that we can fully return to our previous timings soon but in the meantime we need to be flexible so that staggered timings can continue to keep everyone safe.

Please note: we have a 10 minute window for all drop off and collection times.

If you do find the new timings a challenge, please contact the school office via the school email address and we will do our best to help.

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## Petersgate Community Celebrations

We would like to extend our celebrations from school achievements to our 'Petersgate Family' achievements! We would like to write about your achievements in our weekly newsletter to share with other family 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 <u>email</u> your stories with the 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 achievements.



We have received so many positive comments from parents. Did you know that you can upload your views via <u>Ofsted Parent View</u> <u>Questionnaire?</u>

This is completely anonymous and it would be good for prospective parents for the next academic year to see your views on our school.

If you would like to share your positive views more publicly, we would welcome you doing so! Please go online to answer the multiple choice questions. Thank you if you have already uploaded your comments - We currently only have 5 responses and the results only become public when there are 10!

Thank you in advance!

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Fun & Active recently ran a competition on their Facebook page where parents and teachers could nominate our school to receive a free 60m Active Trail playground marking worth £795 to give children something to look forward to.

Unfortunately, we didn't win this time, but Fun & Active were absolutely overwhelmed by the amount of entries we had which goes to show we have some lovely, caring parents and teachers.

As a result, they are going to continue to run competitions at the beginning of each month, so be sure to like their Facebook page <a href="Monthstyle="background-color: blue;">@funactiveplay</a> and nominate our school.

The more entries we receive, the higher the chance of winning!

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# St Patrick's Day Wednesday 17th March

On Wednesday 17th March, everyone can wear non uniform & something 'green' for a donation to PoPS.

Click here for the PoPS GoFundMe page

Thank you for your continued support!

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