



Petersgate Post: 2nd October 2023

Mrs Mitchell's 'Message of the Week'

It has been a busy start to the term and a lot to celebrate. I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for welcoming me into the Petersgate community.

Please can I remind all visitors onto site to please treat all members of staff with respect and can I ask you all to conduct yourselves appropriately whilst on site. Please can I also remind visitors to not smoke or vape on the school site, also please can we remind you that dogs are not allowed on site, only our school therapy dog.

I know that a few parents/carers have been having trouble with Arbor. Trouble shooting tips have been sent out via email. If you are still having trouble, please contact the main school office.

There has been key updates on our website and Facebook to keep you informed. So please take a look!

This month at Petersgate Infants...

This month has been very exciting getting to know all the children and staff. I have seen some lovely learning and my Wall of Wonder in my office is always full. The children are using the SCARF values and Zones of Regulation learning behaviours effectively. We have just introduced different zones within the outside playground areas, which the children are getting used to. The zones have equipment in to play and share.

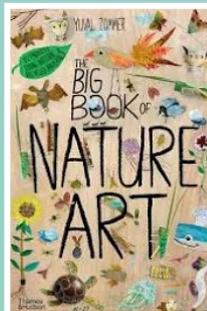
Well done to Year R, they have settled in beautifully and are learning through their play both inside and outside.

Welcome!

Please join me in giving Mrs Brown a warm welcome. Mrs Brown forms part of our admin team. Please bear with us whilst Mrs Brown gets used to all the systems and processes.

Health & Wellbeing Tips

Autumn is a wonderful season and a great time to take a step into nature. Using this book as inspiration, take a step outside into your garden or go for a walk with your family. Using natural materials, create your own art work. We would love to see your creations!



Forthcoming Events

October

From Monday 2nd

Harvest donations

Friday 13th

Harvest Celebrations (see flyer for times)

Thursday 19th

Year 2 trip to Portchester Castle

Friday 20th

Last day of term

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th

Half Term

Monday 30th

Inset Day—School Closed

Tuesday 31st

Individual School Photos

Attendance and Punctuality for September

Whole School Attendance for September 97.2%

(National Average 95.3%)

Best Attendance: **Starfish Class (99.1%)**

Best Timekeepers: **Starfish Class (on time everyday!!)**



**Do you have a child starting school in
September 2024?**

**Meet the Headteacher and join us to see our
wonderful school in action!**

To book a tour of the school, please email or call the school office with your preferred slots from the list. If you cannot make any of these dates, please let us know when you are available and we will do our best to accommodate you.

**Please contact the school office to book a tour:
adminoffice@petersgate-inf.hants.sch.uk or 02392 593950**

Tour Dates & Times

October 2023

Thursday 5th October at 9:30am - FULL

Tuesday 10th October at 1:30pm - FULL

Tuesday 17th October at 9:30am - FULL

Thursday 19th October - Open Tour between 4pm & 5:30pm

November 2023

Thursday 2nd November at 9:30am - FULL

Thursday 2nd November at 1:30pm

Friday 3rd November at 1:30pm

Wednesday 8th November at 9:30am

Thursday 9th November at 1:30pm

Tuesday 14th November at 9:30am

Tuesday 14th November - Open Tour between 4pm & 5:30pm

Thursday 16th November at 1:30pm

Wednesday 22nd November at 1:30pm

Tuesday 28th November at 1:30pm

Wednesday 29th November at 1:30pm

If your child is starting school in September 2024, please apply from

1st November via Hampshire County Council Admissions:

www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions

There are also limited places available in other year groups too!



This year, we are very excited to be taking part in Walktober, a challenge held each October to celebrate International Walk to School month.

School communities are asked to walk, wheel and use other active and sustainable travel as much as possible throughout the month.

Flyers and a challenge card have been shared. This challenge card can be completed with your child, either by printing it out or completing it online. Instructions on how to complete the challenge card online are linked in the flyer.

At the end of Walktober, you can enter the completed challenge card into a prize draw!

We hope you enjoy taking part in Walktober and we cannot wait to hear about it from the children.



Home-Start Butser are recruiting volunteers for their next Volunteer Preparation Training Course, which begins in November. This is a great opportunity to gain new skills and experience, get involved in the community, and make a real difference.

"I didn't expect to love someone else's children as much as I do. The feeling I get when one of them sits on my lap or puts their arm around me stays in my heart. I have so much respect for their parents and learn much more from them than I can help them with." Volunteer

"Home-Start Butser is a really special, warm and caring community. Just a few months in and I have already benefitted from a great induction course, some very good additional First Aid for Mental Health training and a truly delightful 'thank you' lunch." Volunteer

If you are interested in supporting local families, please get in touch. Call 01730 233755 for a chat, or email office@homestart-butser.org.uk.