







## Petersgate Post—12th July 2024

#### **Forthcoming Events**

#### **July 2024**

Friday 12th

Reports sent home

#### Wednesday 17th

Parent Forum 2-3pm\*

**Optional Parents Evening** 

(following reports being sent home)\*

#### **Tuesday 23rd**

Year 2 Parent 'Goodbyes'\*
Last day of term

Wednesday 24th July to Friday 30th August

**Summer Holidays** 

#### September 2024

#### Monday 2nd

Inset Day—School Closed

#### **Tuesday 3rd**

Inset Day—School Closed

#### Wednesday 4th

School opens at 08:40 for Years 1 & 2

\*details to follow

### Attendance and Punctuality from 1st—12th July

Whole School Attendance: **95.87%** (*National Average: 94.2%*)

Best Attendance: **Seahorse—98.25%**Best Timekeepers: **Jellyfish & Turtle** 

#### **Outdoor Learning—Reading Chair**

As you have noticed, the reading chair has been delivered and moved into the EYs area. This is a temporary place for the chair but will be accessible and used by all classes. We are really pleased with this beautiful chair and has already been used by the children.



We would like to thank our local councillors for the grant in order to purchase the chair. It feels like the outside development is up and running,

Plans and quotes have come in and being considered for our new outside classroom.

We will keep you posted!



#### Mrs Mitchell's 'Message of the Week'

As usual, it has been a busy few weeks since my last newsletter. We have had the last few visits from our new Year R children, with their Ready Steady School events, which ended with a Teddy's Bear picnic. We can't wait until you join us in September.

The rest of the school have also completed their transition week in their new class with their new teacher. The structure and routine of the week which mirrored their routines in their current class supported this transition and all visits were really successful.

Our Year 2's have also been out to visit their new schools too and have come back and spoken positively about their visits.

All children will come home with their end of year report today. I hope you enjoy reading them as much as I have. It has been a joy to get to know your children over this last academic year and I am so proud of the progress they have made.

As we edge ever closer to the end of term, I would like to thank all the families for their continued support and feedback. We endeavour, as a school, to share success and information as part of our communication and we do respond and adapt our approaches in light of your feedback.



#### **Health & Wellbeing Tip**

The BBC have released PSHE Supermovers which promote the wellbeing of the children through funky dance moves and songs. So whilst the weather is not as we expect for this time of year, please click on the link and join in the fun.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/articles/zng8vk7

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## **Library Books**

If you have not already done so, please can you ensure all library books are returned back to school by the end of term.

Thank you!

The new library will take shape on 24th July with the School Library Service (SLS) support ready for the new school year!

## **Congratulations Mrs Wright!**



I just wanted to say a massive CONGRATULATIONS to

Mrs Wright

for winning the

#### **Hampshire Education Award**

on Monday, within the Teaching Support category. She was a really worthy winner and we are all so pleased and proud of her!!!



Michaela Wright
Petersgate Infant School

Michaela introduced Makaton to the school several years ago and her support has meant that this is now fully immersed in school life. She has opened up a whole new world for so many children which has enabled them to commuicate with their peers. The school are incredibly proud of the work that she has undertaken.

## **Things to celebrate**

The school are always working hard to share our effective practice with other schools. The teams within The Hampshire Advisory and Inspection Service (HIAS) have recognised and shared this practice widely within the Local Authority.

Maths has been recognised for a while as being an area of strength for the school. The planning and provision has been shared by HIAS maths lead as an example of effective practice with other schools at a recent continuing professional development (CPD) session with maths leads from other schools. Well done Miss Lindsell for leading this area across the school.

The EYs team HIAS team have recognised the exceptional practice in our EYs and this has been shared more widely. All areas of the provision have been effective this year but the HIAS team especially recognised the provision in terms of physical development as examples of effective practice. Well done Mrs Muir for leading the Early Years team and to the Early Years team for all of their hard work.

As part of our recent SCARF workshops, the Coram Educational representative which delivered our workshops was amazed at how well embedded the SCARF values are in the school through the inclusion of the values within the behaviour systems, how they are celebrated across the school and how this practice was recognised by Ofsted. This will be shared with the national team at Coram Education.

Mrs Mitchell has also delivered Personal, Social, Health Education (PSHE) training for SCITT students (trainee teachers) in Fareham and Gosport. Mrs Mitchell leadership of PSHE has been recognised by the SCITT team and she has delivered this CPD package of training to the SCITT trainees since 2020 and has been asked back for two sessions next year. Some of this training will be shared with the Petersgate team during 2024-2025 to further improve our PSHE practice further.

As part of my final newsletter of the year, which will come out on 23rd July, I will share our end of year attainment.

### **Year 2 Leavers Performances**

What an amazing week it has been at Petersgate for the Year 2's leavers show 'The Zany Zoo'.

We are so proud of our amazing performers who have learnt their lines, choreographed dances and sung the songs with such confidence.

Thank you to all who attended to support the children. What an amazing way to celebrate the last few weeks at Petersgate.



### **Grant Funding for Outside**

We are pleased to say we have secured another grant £1,050 for outside learning spaces.

The grant will be used for benches/setting to be dotted around the grounds for the grounds for the children to use to read, play games or just chat with their friends and breaktimes.



#### **Summer Festival 2024**

Thank you to all those who donated and/or attended the Summer Festival.

The grounds were buzzing with families, dance troops, singers, unicorns, reptiles, fun games and activities and fairground rides.

The festival was a great success and we raised a grand total of £3,038.57

These funds are really appreciated and we will using the fundraising for our new library and outside curriculum development.

All fundraising reflect the current improvement priorities for the school.

If you would like to volunteer for the PoPS team, then please contact the school office.

We really appreciate all the support you have given us over the year through our fundraising events.



## WONDERFUL PETERSGATE

Teaching children is far more than an occupation
It is such a valuable, caring and dedicated vocation
After all, today's children are tomorrow's future generation
And this is how Petersgate leads forward our much loved
nation

Children are enthusiastic, eager to learn with great aspiration

To the rest of us, teachers are real inspiration

The same goes for the head teacher, deputy and administration

They all work hard with utmost dedication

Teachers help pupils to read, calculate and write
Pupils' full potential achieved with teacher's clear insight
That build their knowledge and confidence, the future is
shining bright

That is truly wonderful and fills our hearts with delight

And when a child has any form of special need
Teachers work much harder and professionally proceed
To ensure the child is safe, fits in and succeeds
The outcome is a noticeable progress.....yes indeed

By a lovely 'Volunteer'

# SUMMER FUN

## AT PETERSFIELD OPEN AIR POOL

Open seven days a week from spring until autumn, the 25 metre open air pool is heated to 27 degrees throughout the summer. With a poolside cafe, plentiful seating, and refurbished toilets, showers and changing areas, the pool provides a warm welcome for children and families.

Swimming lessons
Feeling confident and comfortable in the water can
boost your children's self-esteem. Whether you're
planning a staycation at our pool or a holiday
overseas, our school holiday swimning lessons will
give your children the confidence to swim uncided. We
offer group sessions or private tuition for children of all
abilities from school year R upwards.

Putting the fun into summer, our inflatable, floating, assault course is a great way for kids to gain confidence in the water, whilst having fun and burning off excess energy! These sessions are strictly kids only (age 5-15). Our giant inflatable is huge, fun but slippy less confident swimmers must wear a lifejacket and we loan these free of charge.

Rash vests for the cool kids!
Rash vests provide protection from harmful UV rays.
Even on the sunniest days children who wear these stretchy polyester tops won't need sunscreen under the vest, which helps keep our pool water crystal clear.



#### It's not all about the kids...

We pride ourselves on being family friendly, but we also offer time and space for adults to unwind and relax. Whether it's our Wednesday Twilight Swims and Swim & Supper sessions, poolside Wildnest yoga, Adult Swim Club or evening Aqua-aerobics there's something for everyone at the open air pool.



WE'RE RIGHT IN THE TOWN CENTRE IN HEATH ROAD CAR PARK NEAR THE FESTIVAL HALL!









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