



Petersgate Post: 27th September 2024



SENDCo – Mrs Becca Muir

Since becoming a teacher, I have always felt passionate about supporting the needs of all children, including those children with SEND. I am very excited to take on the role of SENDCo and be able to ensure that every child feels successful at Petersgate.

Curriculum and Assessment Lead – Miss Chloe Lindsell

After 8 years at Petersgate Infant School, I am thrilled to undertake my new role as curriculum and assessment lead. Teaching and learning has always been a passion of mine and ensuring that the children receive a broad and balanced curriculum has always been a priority.



Inclusive Practice & Designated Teacher – Mrs Lauren West



I have always believed that every child deserves to feel happy, safe and successful at school. It is my priority to ensure that our school is a welcoming and nurturing place where every child is supported and encouraged to achieve their full potential. As designated teacher, I am responsible for the educational needs of looked after children and care experienced children in school. I am really excited to start this new role!

Health & Wellbeing Tips

Following on from my previous newsletter, continue with your nature walks spotting the changes in season. Whilst out and about, perhaps go for a nature walk in a nearby park/wood with your family. Whilst there, grab some sticks and make an outline of the first letter of your name. Then gather fallen leaves, sticks, seeds and feathers to fill it in with.



Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for volunteers to help in our new library and also for volunteers to come in and listen to the children read. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

Summer Reading Challenge

The School Library Service would like to say thank you to everyone that took part in the Summer Reading Challenge-Marvellous Makers this year.

Our school had:

- 22 – Starters
- 14 – Finishers
- 84 – Books were read

Waterlooville Library they had :

- 793 – Starters
- 427 – Finishers
- 2861 – Books were read

Well done readers!

Mrs Mitchell's 'Message of the Week'

Well it certainly feels like autumn has finally arrived this week with the darker nights drawing in and the cooler, more autumnal weather. Please can I ask that coats are in school so the children have access to these for breaktimes and outdoor learning. As part of our newsletter moving forward, we will be including a safeguarding section to give parents and families any key updates from a school, local or national perspective. Thank you for your feedback regarding our 'What is coming next week'... communication, these will continue each week.

Consultation: changing the timings of the school day

Survey link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/KTiynKEH5P>

To be completed by 20th October 2024
A letter has been sent by email today

Thank You!

As we're sure you've all seen, our sunflowers are growing beautifully and giving us all a little lift every time we see them. Thank you again to Keydell Nursery for donating the seeds and well done to the whole school for your efforts in planting them last Spring!

Mrs Scutt popped in to say hello and she wanted to say thank you to the cards/presents wishing her well at the end of the summer term.

Attendance and Punctuality for 16th-27th September

Whole School Attendance = **97.33%**

(National Average = 95.35%)

Best Attendance: **Deer class = 98.87%**

Best Timekeepers: **Otter class (on time everyday!!)**

Safeguarding Update



Safeguarding is crucial in every school. Our primary role is to not only educate the children but to keep them safe. As part of our fortnightly newsletter moving forwards, we will share with you any key safeguarding updates. These may be updates which have been shared with all schools locally or nationally or particular for our school.

This week, I felt it was important to introduce the role of the Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs). We have three DSLs in our school—Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Muir and Mrs Robb. Our photos are up in the main entrance, around school and on display on our website. We can also be identified by our red DSL and DDSL lanyards.

Our role is to address and respond to any safeguarding concerns raised by the children, staff, families or local community. We may have to liaise with key local services such as Children's Services, Early Help Services, the police or key agencies. If you would like to speak to one of us, please don't hesitate in getting in touch.



Monthly Coffee Mornings

During the course of the year, we will be offering a parent drop-in Coffee Morning.

Key staff will be available during these times and each one will have a theme.

This will be an opportunity to ask questions, advice, strategies or approaches to support all aspects of teaching and learning.

These mornings are informal, may be practical but presented in a supportive and non-judgemental environment and are designed to offer further support to families in ways to support their child/children at home, with staff potentially signposting you to other resources and/or support.

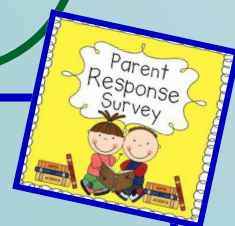
This term the dates/times and themes are as follows:

Thursday 24th October 9:00-10:00am—Curriculum led by Miss Lindsell
School Nurse in attendance—Sleep

Wednesday 27th November 9:00-10:00am—Behaviour and Inclusion led by Mrs West
School Nurse in attendance—Toileting

Friday 13th December 9:00-10:00am—Special Educational Needs led by Mrs Muir
School Nurse in attendance—Fussy eating

**Mrs Robb, Family Support Leader and Emotional Literacy Support Assistant
will also be available for all the above coffee mornings.**



Parent/Child Survey

Thank you to all parents who completed the parent survey in the summer term. Your feedback is very important to us and has helped to shape things moving forward. Thank you to all those who shared positive feedback regarding any key staff and this has been shared with the staff in question. We had 46 responses of our survey.

All parents felt they agreed/strongly agreed that their child was happy and safe at school. The vast majority of parents felt that their child made good progress, were taught well, were supported with their particular needs, the school helped to develop their child's skills in reading, writing and maths and that their child enjoyed the subjects they had been learning about.

The vast majority of parents felt that the school had a good standard of behaviour and the school dealt with friendship issues effectively.

The vast majority of parents felt the school was well-led and managed and that the school responded to any concerns raised.

In response to the survey and some of the comments shared, the school is working hard to address the amount of communication between school and home. We are also looking at the range of after-school clubs we offer. We will also continue to source ways to include the offer of physical books alongside the E-Collins books. Library books are now being sent home. But we will continue to look at other ways to fund this project. We will keep you updated of our progress.

Do you have a child starting school in September 2025?

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.

email: adminoffice@petersgate-inf.hants.sch.uk or telephone: 023 9259 3950

Tour Dates & Times

September 2024

Monday 30th at 9:30am—*fully booked*

October 2024

Friday 4th at 1:30pm—*fully booked*

Thursday 10th at 9:30am—*fully booked*

Wednesday 16th at 1:30pm—*fully booked*

Thursday 17th from 4:00pm to 5:30pm—open tour

Tuesday 22nd at 1:30pm—*fully booked*

November 2024

Thursday 7th at 1:30pm

Tuesday 12th at 9:30am

Thursday 14th at 1:30pm

Thursday 14th from 4:00pm to 5:30pm—open tour

Wednesday 20th at 9:30am

Monday 25th at 9:30am

December 2024

Tuesday 3rd at 1:30pm

January 2025

Thursday 9th at 9:30am

If your child is starting school in September 2025, please apply from **1st November** via Hampshire County Council Admissions:

www.hants.gov.uk/admissions

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

Asda Rewards

Please register Petersgate Infant School via your Asda Rewards App. Thank you to everybody that has done this already, so far we have raised **£109.86**. Even if you do not shop at Asda, just by downloading the app and selecting Petersgate, £1 will be donated to our school. Please ask any family & friends to get involved to help raise funds for our school!



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1
Download and sign up to the Asda Rewards app
Opt into the Cashpot for Schools campaign and select a specific primary school or select 'Schools in Need'.

2
Shop in store across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com
Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to your chosen school each time you shop and scan.

3
Asda does the rest
The money raised will be donated through Parentkind to schools to spend on what they need most. This won't affect your own Cashpot earn.

Once opted in and selected a school, we will add £1 to your chosen schools Cashpot to help get them started.

Each school will get an additional £50 added to their Cashpot, after at least one customer has shopped and scanned their Rewards app.

**you scan,
we donate
££s TO
SCHOOLS.**