

# **HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY BULLETIN**

"For I know the plans I have for you... plans to give you hope and a future"  $_{\mbox{\scriptsize Jeremish }29:11}$ 

## **DIARY DATES**

Tues 25 Mar Parent Teacher Consultations by appointment

Thurs 27 Mar 2pm Mothers Day Assembly

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Tues 1 Apr 9am "How we teach reading at St Peter's"—Busy Bees Parent info session in school hall

Wed 2 Apr FOSP Cinema Evening Thurs 3 Apr Sponsored Bunny Hop

2.45pm Easter Bonnet Parade—Parents welcome to watch

Fri 4 Apr 9am Easter Service at St Peter's Church—All welcome Tues 22 Apr INSET Day—school closed for staff training

#### Dear Parents and Carers.

As we officially turn the page into spring with the spring equinox, what a difference the sun makes! It has been beautiful this week, seeing the sun shining and the children smiling – not that they don't normally smile; but when the sun shines everyone seems so much happier. We do hope you have had the opportunity to see and enjoy some of it.

The sun was very welcome when the Ladybirds Class visited The Big Wood Estate for the first time this week. They had a wonderful time exploring the estate and getting to know the area. It was really lovely to see their enthusiasm and excitement at everything they saw. It was also fabulous to hear about their own experiences of having horses or speaking about the different kinds of trees they have in their gardens. They met Thelma Pig and Pepper Pig (my apologies Pepper for spelling your name wrong last week) as well as Billy the Boar. Sadly we cannot bring you news of any piglets as they haven't been born yet; although I am sure the pigs would like them to be - they are looking rather large! Mrs Claire Roberts (one of our governors) was able to join us for the morning which was lovely. She talked to the children about the close links that she and her husband Alistair (from New Farm) have with the estate. For example, Alistair provides the beans, grains and pulses at the end of the harvesting season for the pigs to eat. Thank you Claire for your wonderful input.





A fun fact from the morning...

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Did vou know?

Pigs are pregnant for 3 months, 3 weeks and 3 days!!



# ST PETER'S SUPPORTING 40 YEARS of COMIC RELIEF AND PSDS

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to our Red Nose Day and Odd Socks Day today. It is wonderful to see the colour, Red Noses and clothing as well as all the odd socks (which I do have to say are never difficult to find in many households up and down the country, including mine - I found 3 only yesterday!) – well done everyone. An amazing effort for such worthy causes. Thank you all very much for your kind, and greatly appreciated donations.

We will be collecting any further donations this afternoon at pick up.



# **IMPORTANT MESSAGE: NUTS**

Please may all parents have due regard when giving snacks to children after school. We are a **NUT FREE** school as we have many children and parents who are severely allergic to them. This **MUST** therefore include any snacks that are given after school in the playground or field as children/parents are in close proximity to each other. Thank you very much.

# **CLASS NEWS**

#### **BUSY BEES**

This week Busy Bees have been learning all about Rainforests and exploring the story book 'The Umbrella' by Jan Brett. They created an alternative ending to the story and wrote a small message to put inside the umbrella so the story carries on. It was great fun and great use of the children's imagination, while expanding their story writing skills. In Maths our focus has been on numbers to 20. Also related to the Rainforest the children created toucan/parrot artwork to hang around the classroom. In RE the children have learnt about the importance of the Cross in an Easter Garden and used the directed drawing technique to create an Easter Cross drawing.

Homework: Number Formation



## **LADYBIRDS**

Ladybirds have had a lovely week in the sunshine! On Wednesday we spent the morning at The Big Wood Estate, where we had the opportunity to look out for all the different signs of spring. We saw cows, horses and pigs and really enjoyed exploring the environment at Big Wood. In Maths we have been learning to add 1-digit numbers to 2-digit numbers by putting the bigger number in our head and counting on. In English, we have planned and written our own stories all about the adventures of a knight. A big thank you to everyone who came and supported our teatime on Monday. We thoroughly enjoyed making Easter wreaths and planting the ladybird poppies to sell.

Homework: Addition

## **DRAGONFLIES**

We started our week in Dragonflies by planning our own version of 'A Walk in New York', using our research from last week. We used our plan to begin writing the first section of the story. In Maths we have continued looking at division, using a variety of numbers including looking at remainders. The children really excelled at this. In History we have moved forwards in time again and have looked at the American Revolution of 1776. We investigated cause and effect including the reasons behind this. In Science we have started looking at plants. The children have learned the parts of a plant, including: filament; style; roots; stem; and anther. We then dissected daffodils to see this in 'real life'.

Homework: Dissection

# FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S NEWS



We're inviting St Peter's parents to register their interest for a stall at our Summer Fete!

If you have a local business or hobby and would be interested in having a stall at our fete on Saturday 21st June, please email friends@stpetersinfant.org and we'll send you the information pack.

Priority for school parents where possible Application deadline 4th April.



Thursday 3 April 2025 hursday 3 April, the children of St Pe will be taking on the Bunny Hop, an eggstraordinary Easter challenge!

Dur bunnies will be hopping around the field to raise money for the school, and we'll be capturing the fun on camera to share with ou. Please support them by sponsoring their bop - you can send the link below to friends and family to collect sponsorship online. Let's cheer them on their way!

www.crowdfunder.co.uk/st-peters-bunnyhop

# Still to come .....

## Tuesday 25/Thursday 27 March Parent Teacher Consultations

Please can you remember to check your time and day, so you turn up at the right time on the right day! We also ask that you keep to your times so as not to overrun and keep others waiting. As always if you require additional time to discuss your child, please may you arrange a suitable time with your class teacher. Thank you very much.

#### Thursday 27 March Mother's Day Assembly at 2.30pm

This will be in the school hall. We appreciate that not every mother will be able to attend so we will be filming the assembly earlier in the week and will send it via a secure link at the end of the week. Due to capacity, only mothers of the children should attend and not younger siblings or grandparents.

In the last week we have:

## Tuesday 1 April Busy Bees Reading Parent Info Session at 9am

There will be a presentation for Busy Bees parents in the school hall giving an overview of the importance of reading for children as they move from the Reception Class into Key Stage 1, highlighting the differences as they move from one curriculum to the next.

## Thursday 3 April Bunny Hop / Easter Bonnet Parade

The children will be participating in the sponsored Easter Bunny Hop in the morning, so please ensure all children have their PE Kits in school, as they should do anyway

It has always been a tradition at St Peter's School that children make and wear an Easter Bonnet on the penultimate day of the spring term. We would absolutely love the children to design and make an Easter Bonnet to show off to parents and children on Thursday 3 April. The children will parade around the playground at 3pm and parents are warmly invited to join us for this. If your child would like to then wear their bonnet to church on Friday for our Easter service, they are more than welcome to.

#### Easter Service at St Peter's Church at 9am prompt Friday 4 April

Please join us on the last day of term for our wonderful Easter Service at St Peter's Church. Please may the children arrive from 8.45am for a 9am prompt start. You are more than welcome to walk the children back from church with us as well, as we did after the Christmas service.

## As the sun rises, Lord,

PETER'S

Let your light shine on me.

**CHURCH NEWS** 

11am

6.30pm

The warmth of your Presence, The brightness of your love,

Our services this Sunday:

**Family Service** 

**Evening Prayer** 

The radiance of your joy, The shining of your hope.

Let your light shine on me.

As the sun rises, Lord, Let your light shine on me.

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I hope you all have a brilliant weekend, whatever you may be doing.

God Bless, Lenía Greenaway

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...**

Louis (age 6) Theo K (age 7)









# **POLITE REMINDER:**

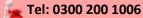
EVERY CHILD should have a water bottle in school EVERY DAY and long hair should be tied back at all times please.



## CHILD PROTECTION CONTACT CENTRE

At St Peter's we take the safety and well-being of every child very seriously.

If you are ever concerned about a child please speak in confidence to our signated Safeguarding Lead, Miss Greenaway or our Deputy Designated afeguarding Leads, Mr Atterton and Mrs Vaquinhas, or telephone Surrey Child Services contact centre on:



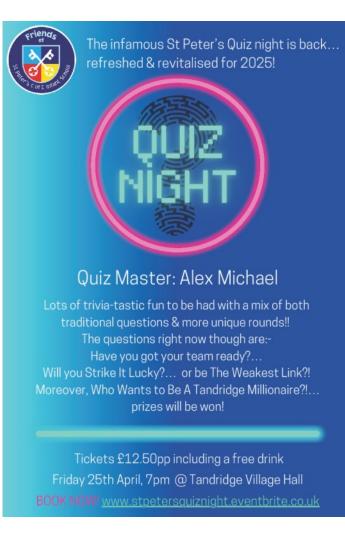
'Safeguarding is Everyone's Business"

Emergency information regarding the school will be announced on HEART RADIO 102.7FM and the school website









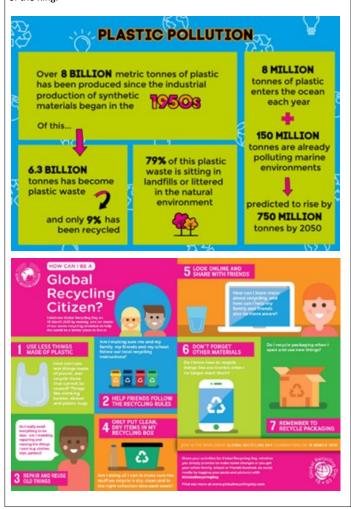


# Did you know that it was Global Recycling Day on Tuesday this week (18 March)?

We can all probably say that we are much more conscious about recycling now as we think about the affects certain materials or actions have on our planet; how we might upcycle and re-use materials, for example. Indeed our children are very creative in their own thinking about recycling!

We may think this is a relatively new initiative but historically recycling has been going since – forever!

For example, man has been melting and remelting metal since 700BC. Geoffrey Chaucer (1340-1400) the author of "The Canterbury Tales" worked in the recycling sector. In 1389, he was appointed as 'Clerk of the King's Works at the Tower of London and Westminster Palace'. His job was to manage and keep accounts of the old metals and rags collected on the order of the King.



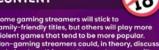
Yesterday marked **International Day of Happiness Day**— a global celebration recognising the importance of happiness and wellbeing in our daily lives. It's a reminder to prioritise positive mental health, gratitude, and social connections—nurturing our minds as we would a growing garden. So I hope you all were able to take a little time for yourselves.



# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS? Livestreaming has become a big part of the entertainment people consume, and what began as a series of gamers sharing their screens has grown into a huge industry packed with personalities – and potential risks for your children. With over 2.5 million people watching Twitch, the most popular streaming service, at any one time, it's important to remain aware of the risks associated with streamers.

# INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT



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# NEGATIVE INFLUENCES

While things have improved, streamers are often paid by companies to promote products, and this isn't always stated explicitly. While it's unlikely these goods will be harmful to your child, some streamers and influencers have engaged (knowingly or not) in scams in the past.

# FINANCIAL HARM

Streamers will often have donation buttons on their screens for users to submit money. What can start as small amounts can quickly spiral as streamers engage with paying viewers more often, potentially leading to financial issues.

# UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS

Influencers often showcase how glamourous their lives are, making some users feel as though they are lesser. However, it's important to stress that, in many ways, this is on act, or at the very least, not common. Logan Paul, who has been successful as a streamer and influencer, has a Pokemon card worth \$5 million, but this is a typical of anyone working in the medium.

# MISINFORMATION

Streamers are, in many ways, just like us - and they can get things wrong or reel off an opinion without having thought about it. Some can simply say awful things to get a rise out of viewers or to sway them to their side of a hot topic.

# ADDICTION AND SCREEN TIME

If your child is watching a lot of a particular streamer, it can be just as damaging to their social life as playing too many video games.

# Advice for Parents & Educators

# **EXPLAIN HOW STREAMING WORKS**

For a younger viewer, being a streamer or influencer seems aspirational, but it involves a lot of work and no small degree of good fortune. Streamers are often managed and unable to speak freely due to sponsors, and influencers are just that influencing young minds, for better or for worse.

# DO NOT LOG PAYMENT INFORMATION

Streamers can reward donations with additional content, on-camera "shout outs" and more. If you're unsure about who or what your child is watching, consider avoiding linking payment information. This is especially notable with Twitch, which is owned by Amazon and therefore has some crossover.

# **CHECK OUT STREAMING PLATFORMS**

While Twitch was the defacto streaming service for years, YouTube has gained popularity, too. Then there are Kick and Rumble, which have grown in popularity with moves for big-name streamers - despite many being dogged by controversy.

## SET SCREEN TIME LIMITS

You can set screentime limits for mobile apps on iOS and Google, but with other platforms like a PC it may be more difficult to keep tabs. Consider checking in regularly to ensure your children aren't watching content they shouldn't be.

# Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Games Editor of the Daily Star, and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online sofety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.





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