

SUMMER TERM (6) –NEWSLETTER 1

9th June 2017

Dear Parents,

MRS BARNETT RETIRES

Sadly, after 21 years working at St Peter's as a lunchtime supervisor, Mrs Barnett has tendered her resignation and will be leaving us at the end of term. Mrs Barnett first moved to Alvescot over 50 years ago and her five children attended St Peter's. During this time Mrs Barnett was an active member of the parents of St Peter's and supported the school in all its fund-raising events as well as its endeavours to become a fully primary school, protesting against the County Council's rejection of the school's expansion in 1982 outside County Hall. In recent years, three of her grandchildren; Megan, Raymond and Amber have attended St Peter's and Mrs Barnett has continued to support the school in all it does. We all wish Mrs Barnett a very happy retirement and look forward to catching up with her at school events in the future.

BUILDING WORK UPDATE

TGEscapes made excellent progress with the building of our new classroom over the half-term break. The classroom is now almost complete with just a few finishing touches to be made before it can be handed over to us and we can start making use of this wonderful space.

As you will have noticed the playground has been re-tarmacked and is now looking very smart. Fencing will be built around the pond in the near future.

Unfortunately, due to the high cost of reinstalling the play equipment that had to be removed to make space for the new classroom, this has not been able to be achieved within the build budget. Governors also felt that it was important to maintain the remaining natural grass area. However, in order for the children to still have opportunities to use this equipment, it has been donated to the Alvescot Parish Council and will be reinstalled in the village play park.

EXTRA SECURITY

From this coming Monday the magnet on the school gate will be operational. If you need to enter the school during the day please press the bell button on the keypad. This will notify the office that someone is at the gate and the magnet will be released. The magnet will be released from **8:05am to 8:35am** for school drop off and at **2:40pm** for pick up and **3:40pm** for pickup after clubs.

ALVESCOT VILLAGE FETE

The Village Fete is just a week away on **Saturday 17th June**. The children will be performing at the start of the fete at **1:30pm**, so could you please bring them, in their uniform, to the village hall at **1.20pm**. They can change into other clothes, if they would like, after they have finished performing.

The children will also be performing their Country Dancing later in the afternoon at around **2:30pm**.

Many thanks to those parents who have returned their slips to let us know that your child will be attending the Fete and to those parents who have volunteered to help. If your child will be attending but you haven't returned your slip, we would be very grateful if you could do so by **Monday 12th June**.

Could I also please remind you about raffle tickets. So far we have not received back many of the tickets we sent out. Please return money, stubs and unsold raffle tickets to school by **Thursday 15th June** - if you do not manage to sell all your tickets, **PLEASE return them to school** as we can then sell them on the day. Thank You.

We are all looking forward to a wonderful afternoon!

BABY BABY STALL

Our Dance Teacher, Julie Wall, will be running the Baby Baby Stall at this year's village fete and would be grateful for any donations – if you would like to bring any baby paraphernalia (0-5 years) on a Wednesday then Mrs Wall will be able to collect after dance club!



DONATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE FETE

Next week we will be collecting bric-a-brac, toys and books, tombola prizes, plants, jewellery, scarves and handbags, ladies clothes, baby clothes and equipment and bottles as well as washed tin cans (standard sized baked bean tins) for the Can Topple game. We will also be asking for donations of cakes, both to sell on the cake stall and at the Teas stall to be brought to school on **Friday 16th June**.

YEAR 2 ULTRA OLYMPICS

As part of the Burford Partnership the Year 2 Class have been invited to participate in the Burford Y2 Ultra Olympics festival that is being held at Burford Secondary School on the morning of the **15th June 2017**. Please ensure that your child has their PE Kit in school including outdoor sports shoes and a bottle of water.

BURFORD TRANSITION DAY

Sorry for the confusion over the date. We can confirm that the Burford Partnership Transition Day is on the **6th July** and will be going ahead as usual. There will be further opportunities for transition between classes during this term.

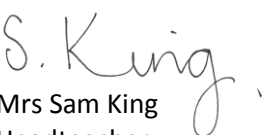
PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

Unfortunately Mr Hughes has notified the school that he needs to withdraw from the election, as a result no more votes will be counted and Mrs Gamage will be appointed unopposed. Thank you to all those who expressed an interest in the role and to those who have already voted. The governors look forward to working with Mrs Gamage.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please scroll to the following page.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Sam King
Headteacher

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Tuesday 13 June	Minibeasts Mayhem for Year 2 and Reception
Thursday 15 June	Year 2 to Ultra Olympics at Burford School
Saturday 17 June 1:30pm	Village Fete
Sunday 25 June – 10:00am	St Peter's Family Service
Tuesday 27 June	School Class Photos
Friday 30 June – 1:15pm	Sports Day followed by Family BBQ
Tuesday 4 July – 7:00pm	Transition Meetings for Next Year's Years 1, 2, and 3
Thursday 6 July	Transition Day for schools in the Burford Partnership
Friday 7 July – 1:15pm	Sports Day Reserve <i>(if previous Sports day cancelled due to bad weather)</i>
Monday 10 July	Multiskills Festival for Reception Class at St Christopher's School
Monday 10 July – 7:00pm	Induction Meeting for New Parents of Children Starting in September
Thursday 13 July	Morning Visit for Children Starting School in September
Friday 14 July to Saturday 15 July	Year 2 Court Hill Residential
Tuesday 18 July	Whole School Trip to Bracknell Forest
Thursday 20 July 1:30pm	End of Year Service at St Peter's Church
Friday 21 July at 1:15pm	Term Ends