



Headteacher's Message

Preparations are well and truly underway for our annual Summer Fair on 20th May. This is a very important event for the school as it is by far our biggest fundraiser of the year.

Previously we raised money at our fair to refurbish our library. All of our children enjoy reading all the lovely new books in a stimulating environment.

Last year we raised money for new iPads for the children to use throughout the school, amongst many other things.

These events are critical to our school as the money we raise enables us to purchase items which we would not be able to buy otherwise. Therefore, we are very grateful for every donation, offer of help and assistance during this busy period. Next week we will be sending home a letter outlining some of the things that families can help with in the lead up to this event.

Have a nice weekend!
Mrs Cawson, Headteacher

Packed Lunches and Drinks

If your child brings a packed lunch to school please can you ensure that it does not include any nuts or nut based products (including Nutella) as we have a number of children with nut allergies. Lunches boxes should be as healthy as possible so no chocolate please.

Children are only permitted to drink plain water at school, so please do not send in any fruit juices or flavoured water.

Parents with DBS Checks

For any parents with a DBS check, please ensure that you have signed in at school within the last 3 months to keep your check up to date. Thank you.

Understanding Working Parents Views

A Governor working party has been formed and they would like to invite all working parents to a meeting on **Thursday 4th May at 7.00pm in the school hall.**

The Governors will have some questions to guide the discussion but there will be plenty of opportunity to share your views and any good ideas on how to address some of your concerns and to make it easier for working parents. In preparation for the meeting we would also like you to talk to parents at other schools to see if we can learn from them.

The Governors will then report back to Mrs Wall and myself so that we are able to consider the suggestions.

If you are able to attend this working party please email office@walsh-memorial.surrey.sch.uk so that we can organise catering arrangements.

If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to submit a question or point of view please use the email address above. All emails will be shared as part of the workshop.

PE Kit

Please ensure that your child has a PE kit and named plimsolls or trainers in school.

School Lunches

Week commencing **24th April** we will be on **Week 2** of the new dinner menu.

COFFEE MORNING

@ St Peters Centre
Ash Church Road
10-12am

Saturday 22nd April
ALL WELCOME

Also a chance to grab a bargain at our

**TABLE TOP
SALE**

School Uniform Donations

Thank you so much to everyone who has donated second hand uniform to the school so far. We are still in need of more to sell at the Fair, so please keep the donations coming. Even if the uniform is a little worn, we can use it as a spare. Thank you very much!

Year One Castle Day

On 10th May Year One children will be celebrating Castle Day and are welcome to come into school dressed as a King, Queen, Princess, Knight or Jester. Full details will be sent home shortly.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We are still collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. If you have any that you would like to donate to the school, please ask your child to hand them in at the school office. Thank you in advance for your support.

Absences

Please contact the school on the first day that your child is absent from school before 10am. You do not need to call on subsequent days, but we do ask that you call with an update on a Monday if the illness has continued over the weekend.

Cake Sales

We are delighted to tell you that Diamond Class raised a huge £92.12 at their cake sale before Easter. This money will go directly to the class who will be able to buy games and toys for wet play and Golden Time. Thank you to everyone who donated and purchased cakes and to those who helped to sell them on the day.

Next up is a joint cake sale between Silver and Gold Classes on **8th June**. Any money raised will be split equally between the two classes.

Mufti Days

A Mufti Day is when children can come into school dressed in their home clothes.

Our next Mufti Day is on **28th April**. We would ask that children from Years One and Two donate garden toys and games. The Pound Shop and Poundland have a good range of garden toys for £1.

Please could Year R children bring in sweets that are in wrappers (they need to be in their original wrappers or bags for hygiene reasons). This could include Lollipops.

Thank you all for your support.



After School Clubs

Mrs Brett's Year One **Sports Club** will run on Thursday 27th April, 4th May, 11th May and 18th May.

Choir Club for Year One and Two will continue every Tuesday as usual, but will not run on Tuesday 13th June.

PTA News!

Our Summer Fair this year is being held on Saturday 20th May 2017 from 12pm-3pm.

Raffle Tickets

Next week we will be sending home a book of raffle tickets in book bags for our Summer Fair Raffle. This year we have some fabulous raffle prizes and we will be updating our Facebook PTA page regularly so you can see what is up for grabs.

If you would like to buy raffle tickets, they are £1 each or £5 for a book. Please return any unsold tickets before 19th May. If you could help us by selling to family and friends we would be very grateful as we are hoping to get match-funding for any money raised this year which will help tremendously.

Animal Jars

We would be very grateful for donations of 'animal jars' before our Fair. The Animal Jars can be as simple as decorating a glass or plastic jar and filling it with sweets or marbles or something that a child would like to receive, you do not necessarily have to follow the theme.

These jars will then become prizes for our Animal Jar tombola. For those that are more creative and like a challenge, they can be more complicated as there will be a prize given for the best donation in each year group.

Please note that all jars will be entered into our tombola on the day so they cannot be returned to their designers.

You can bring your jars into school at any time.

There are some great ideas on Pinterest if you would like to take a look or you could Google 'gift in a jar'. There are some good ideas on the following website:

<http://www.craftaholicsanonymous.net/gift-in-a-jar-ideas>

Summer Fair - 20 May 2017



Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Time
	Summer Term 1	
4th May	Governor meeting with working parents	7.00pm
28th April	Mufti Day for Toys and Sweets (flyer with further detail going home next week)	
10th May	Year One Castle Day (see letter sent home in book bags)	
19th May	Mufti Day for bottles and cakes (flyer with further detail going home next week)	
20th May	Summer Fair	12.00am-3.00pm
	Summer Term 2	
6th June	First day of Summer Term 2	8.45am
7th June	Class photos	
8th June	Year R Cake Sale	3.00pm
29th June	St Peter's Day Family Picnic (more details to follow)	
7th July	Sports Day	Timings to follow
7th July	Family BBQ and Disco (more information to follow)	
10th July	Cycle Training for Year Two—more details to follow	All day
17th July	Year Two Leavers Assembly (more details to follow)	1.30pm-2.30pm
7th July	Family BBQ and Disco (more information to follow)	

2016/2017 Inset Days (School closed to children)

5th June 2017
21st July 2017

2017/2018 Inset Days (School closed to children)

4th September 2017