



Peasedown St. John Primary School

SCHOOL NEWS

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CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS

Tickets have now been allocated – please check your Child's Bookbag

RUMBLING TUMS

~ w/b 4th December ~
Please refer to the new Christmas Menu on our Website

www.peasedownstjohnprimary.org.uk

**WEAR YOUR CHRISTMAS JUMPER
ON CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY**

Enrichment Day

Last week, PSJ launched its very first Enrichment day (Our Enrichment Time). Children from Foundation stage, KS1 and KS2 took part in a range of activities from storytelling to creating their own musical production. The children spent the day with new teachers, in different classrooms, mixed up across the year groups learning something completely new and exciting.

The children were fantastic and got fully immersed in what the day had on offer producing some absolutely fantastic project pieces around a range of different subjects. The teachers also had a great day and would like to thank the children for their hard work and effort making the day so brilliant.

Here are some quotes of what the children thought of the day:

"We had great fun going outside and putting the finished animals in the conservation area, noticing the difference on how much brighter it looked." Layla and Jasmine (Art in the Outdoors)

"In sign language, I enjoyed learning how to sign other names and also learning how to sing a song." Oliver (Sign Language)

"I enjoyed working with new people. Everyone got a go at what they enjoy doing. It was fun taking on new challenges and performing to an audience. Each of our special touches were put into a great musical!" Emma (Musical Theatre)



Look out for the next enrichment day dates where children will be able to choose another thrilling activity to take part in.

Talking Point: Monday's Assembly Theme

Unsurprisingly, Monday's assembly was a celebration of all the wonderful learning that went on over our two Our Time Enrichment Days. Our children daily display great attitudes to their learning – they are curious, hard-working, imaginative, resilient, determined and set themselves high standards. Our Enrichment Time gave staff the opportunity to work with children they don't normally work with and we saw children displaying great leadership, teamwork, kindness and empathy. All these qualities were celebrated in our assembly on Monday.

Christmas Dinner

For our Christmas Dinner Day, children have been informed that they are able to come to school in a Christmas jumper/t-shirt or in fact any red/green top (not football/sport shirts please). Could we please ask that everything else be uniform – trousers/skirts, school shoes, etc.



PSJ Cookery book

The PSJ Cookery book has arrived! It is full of lots of recipe ideas contributed by pupils. Copies are on sale from at the Christmas Fayre or from the school office. At only £4 it is an ideal Christmas gift for friends and family. All of the money raised will go towards resources in our Cookery Corner.

Parent Support Adviser (PSA)

The school employs a Parent Support Adviser from the Local Authority called Cleo Donaldson. Cleo is funded to work in our school through Pupil Premium and she can work with up to five families at any one time. PSAs work with families on a wide range of topics, such as toileting, sleep, diet, managing behaviour, setting boundaries, housing, management of finances and much more. Priority is given to families qualifying for Pupil Premium (free school meals) but any parent/carer is welcome to access the service. If you would like to be referred to our PSA, she currently has spaces, so please see Mrs Jenny Tombs.

New Nurturing Parenting Programme For Parents And Carers - "How to get the best out of family life".

We have been sent details of a new parenting programme being run in Radstock in the New Year. It will run from Wednesday 10th January to 21st March (10 weeks excluding Feb half term). The time is 9.30 till 11.30 and it will be held at Radstock Children's Centre. The course is available to families with children age from 2yrs to 10yrs old, but priority will be given to families with children currently under 5yrs old. The programme will cover lots of different topics, including:

- **Understanding** why children behave as they do
- **Recognising** the feelings behind behaviour (ours and theirs)
- **Exploring** different approaches to discipline
- **Finding** ways to develop co-operation and self-discipline in children
- **Learning** the importance of looking after ourselves

Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Jenny Tombs Assistant Head (Pupil Inclusion and Safeguarding)

NO Parking in the Youth Centre Please

We have been asked by the Youth Centre to remind parents/carers **NOT** to park in the Youth Centre. The Youth Centre car park is, as is the School car park, in use by its employees and visitors throughout the day and access and parking for them is needed at all times. Apart from the need of access/parking there is also the serious nature of children's safety within these extremely busy car parks. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Vacancy - School Meals Supervisory Assistant

Applications are invited from individuals to join a happy and committed lunchtime team. This position would suit someone who enjoys working with children, is hardworking and has a positive outlook. Behaviour in our school is "outstanding" (as judged by Ofsted) and all of our School Meals Supervisory Assistants are supported through training and team meetings. We have large school grounds with a wide range of play equipment.

The position is for 7.5 hours per week, to be worked as 11.45 p.m. – 1.15 p.m. each day on a term time only basis. Overtime will be paid for occasional meetings which you will be required to attend.

If you are interested in applying for this position please request an application form from the school office.

Closing date 8th December 2017 Pay rate Scale 9 - £15375 pro rata (£7.97 per hour)

Peasedown St. John Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced DBS check which the school will facilitate.

For a list of our current class achievers, letters home (which tab contain attachments from our School News), the weekly menu, term dates and much more please visit the school website www.peasedownstjohnprimary.org.uk

**PLEASE CAN WE REMIND PARENTS AND CARERS THAT IT IS AGAINST THE LAW TO
PARK/STOP ON ZIG ZAG LINES BY THE CROSSING – THANK YOU.**

Christmas Production Dates ~ School Hall

Reception – Red, Blue, Green;

LKS2 – Jade, Emerald, Fern, Aqua, Sky, Sapphire;

KS1 – Gold, Orange, Amber, Sunflower, Daffodil, Buttercup;

UKS2 – Atlantic, Pacific, Purple, Lilac, Indigo.

7 th December	~	Reception Class	~	9:15am – 10:00am
8 th December	~	Nursery Class	~	9:15am – 10:00am
	~	Reception Class	~	10:30am – 11:15am
11 th December	~	KS1	~	2:00pm – 3:00pm
12 th December	~	LKS2	~	9:15am – 10:15am
	~	KS1	~	2:00pm – 3:00pm
13 th December	~	KS1	~	9:15am – 10:15am
	~	UKS2	~	2:00pm – 3:00pm
	~	LKS2	~	6:00pm – 7:00pm
14 th December	~	UKS2	~	9:15am – 10:15am
	~	LKS2	~	2:00pm – 3:00pm
	~	UKS2	~	6:00pm – 7:00pm

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UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 2nd December ~ PSA Christmas Fayre ~ 11:00am – 1:00pm ~ School Hall
- 6th December ~ Christmas Dinner Day ~ Get those Christmas jumpers ready
- 6th December ~ Year 1 Christmas Themed day
- 9th December ~ KS2 Choir Carol Singing ~ 11:15am ~ Outside Bath Abbey
- 10th December ~ KS 2 Choir Churches Together Carol Service ~ 2:30pm ~ School Hall
- 11th December ~ YR6 Carol Service ~ 2:00pm – 3:00pm ~ Bath Abbey

For ‘Dates for the Year’, please see the website or letters home for further information

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This newsletter can be made available in a range of languages, large print, Braille, on tape, electronic and accessible formats. Please contact the school office for more details.



COMMUNITY NEWS

(We bring this to parents' attention without necessarily recommending it)

**PEASEDOWN ST JOHN
VILLAGE
CHRISTMAS CAROLS
WITH:
Midsomer Norton & Radstock SILVER BAND
AND
OUR SCHOOLCHILDREN
AT
PEASEDOWN ST JOHN PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUNDAY DECEMBER 10TH
AT 2.30 P.M.
MINCE PIES AND DRINKS TO FOLLOW
EVERYONE WELCOME**

BREAKFAST CLUB

Bookings are now open for Term's 3 and 4 for SJ's Breakfast Club at Peasedown Youth Centre, open every day. Children can be dropped off at 7.45am and get walked into school for Registration time. All the information and booking can be made through the website -

www.stjsgroup.church/breakfastclub.

For more information contact Rob Bubyer on 01761 300410