



Peasedown St. John Primary School

SCHOOL NEWS

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HOLIDAY CLOSURE DATES

Last Day of Term 2
Friday 15th December 2017

First Day of Term 3
Wednesday 3rd January 2018

RUMBLING TUMS

~ w/b 11th December ~
Please refer to the Menu
on our Website

[Click Here for Menu 11th - 15th December](#)

Thank you ... to all the staff at Peasedown St John Primary School who made our Christmas lunch such a great success. To provide 489 children with turkey (or vegetarian option) and all the trimmings, within the time allotted, is a remarkable feat. The food was delicious (thank you, Mrs Ilsley and team) – you’d struggle to find it so well cooked in many a restaurant – the table settings were amazing (thank you, Mrs Lanning and Mrs Swift) and the whole event was a fantastic success. Most of all, big thanks to all those staff who abandoned their normal roles or their own lunch-breaks and came to serve up. It was a huge team effort and kicked off our Christmas season in style. DK



Fabulous Fayre!

What a fantastic event the Christmas Fayre was on Saturday – The school was buzzing and we raised a wonderful £2285 for the school! Not only is it great to be bringing in income to the school for additional investment but it is so good to bring the whole school community together and generate a bit of festive spirit. My thanks to everyone who came along to support the event and spent generously. Particular thanks, of course, to our wonderful PSA Committee and volunteers, who worked so hard for the weeks running up to the event, as well as on the day.



A cheque for £15,000 was handed over to representatives of the children of the school, who get the benefit of all the PSA’s hard work. This is what covers all their usual generous donations, to subsidise class trip coach costs, author visits, Christmas gifts, Year 6 leavers, performance expenses, etc. etc. etc.

School Entrances at the Start of the Day

Some of you may have noticed that we are now closing school gates to the playground promptly at 9am each morning. We want to ensure that our school site is as safe and secure as possible and so we have reviewed our procedures in the morning. Closing the gates at 9am is important, as the staff monitoring the school entrance doors are only there until this point. We would appreciate it if parents/carers dropping off in the morning can leave the playground by 9am where possible. Please remember that registers are taken at 8.55am and so children need to be in their classrooms by this time. If you arrive after 9am please go straight to the school office.

Christmas productions

The Christmas Productions are now in full swing with Nursery and Reception performing yesterday and today, the rest of the school will have the opportunity to showcase their performances next week – times and dates given below. Please remember to bring your tickets with you as it can be embarrassing if we cannot let you in, should you have any spare tickets could these please be handed into the office as we have a waiting list. Please note entry and exit to the hall is via the side gate and double doors, these will be opened 15 minutes before the performances and closed 10 minutes after the start time, for the safety of all the children. Should you find the gates locked please go via the school office.

Young Carers

We are currently updating our pupil records to include any children who are young carers. This includes any child who has caring responsibilities at home - this could be for a parent, carer, sibling or other family member. We would like to ensure that these children receive the right support at school and so it is important that we know who they are. Please could you let either the school office or Mrs Tombs know if this applies to your child. Some of our pupils access support from 'Young Carers' and we can make a referral on your behalf if you are interested. You can find out more about this service at www.banescarerscentre.org.uk/youngcarers/



PSJ Cookery book

The PSJ Cookery book has arrived! It is full of lots of recipe ideas contributed by pupils. Copies are now on sale 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. Please place final orders for the PSJ Cookery book with the office by **MONDAY 11TH DECEMBER**

Poppy Appeal

We have received a letter from The Royal British Legion thanking all of you who bought a poppy, band, etc. during their recent Poppy Appeal. Between all of us, we collected the fantastic amount of £517.48 for this great cause.

Christmas Production Dates ~ School Hall

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

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

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

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

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 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
- 15th December ~ End of Term 2
- 2nd January 2018 ~ INSET Day
- 3rd January 2018 ~ Start of Term 3

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

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



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**

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