



Peasedown St. John Primary School

SCHOOL NEWS

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RUMBLING TUMS

~ w/b 8th January ~
Please refer to Week 1

on our Website
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**WELCOME BACK AND
WE WISH YOU ALL
A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Talking Point: Wednesday's Assembly Theme We talked about looking into the future, trying to predict what 2018 may bring, for example, who will win the World Cup. He made the distinction between things we might wish for and things we can actually affect with the choices we make - our New Year resolutions. With the help of some great improvising actors (Jack, Jesse, Isabella, Ayesha and Jacob), he told the story of three fictional PSJ pupils, Adam, Beth and Callum. Adam pretended to his parents that he didn't need to read his reading book at home (and went on his PS4). Beth made a fuss and ended up in an argument with her mum about reading. Callum, who found reading tricky, chose to get on with it ... every day. It was his New Year resolution to make a real effort. He did well, his dad was proud of him and he ended up making good progress and feeling really positive about reading. He also had plenty of time to play with his favourite Christmas present afterwards. So the moral was: make good choices and you'll have a great 2018!

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At Peasedown We Shine Because We're On Time!

As 2018 begins we are hoping that one of everyone's New Year resolutions is to be on time for school. Not only is it an important life skill to be on time, but also being late can have a negative impact on learning. Teachers plan lessons to start as soon as children arrive - so they need to be in class and ready to learn.

The school gates open at 8:30am and doors open at 8:45am, which gives everyone plenty of time to arrive at school, hang belongings in cloakrooms and be in class for the start of the day. Children arriving after our register closes at 9:00am are marked late and anyone arriving after 9:15am receives an unauthorised absence for that session. Children who are regularly late, or absent, will be referred to the Children Missing Education Service.

We are sure you agree that you want your child to make the most of their learning time at school so let's make it our aim for every child to be at school on time.

Contact Details

Can we ask parents and carers to ensure all contact details (email/telephone numbers) are up to date, especially if anyone was lucky enough to receive a new mobile (with new number) for Christmas! This is vital should we need to contact you in case of an emergency and for you to fully experience all that the School Gateway has to offer.

Reception Admissions – September 2018

Just a reminder to parents that applications for places for September 2018 Reception Classes need to be with B&NES by 15th January 2018. Any applications received after this date will be held back by B&NES for the second round of admissions, meaning that parents may miss out on first choice places.

PLEASE PLEASE VOTE FOR US TO BAG A SHARE OF TESCO'S BAG FUND!

We are sure that if you have ever shopped in Tesco you have seen the Perspex collection pots that contain little tokens supporting various good causes. Now it is our turn! We are bidding for help to provide a selection of art and craft equipment and storage, to be used outdoors in our wonderful conservation area from the 'Tesco Bags of Help initiative' and could win up to £4000. To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. **You will receive one token per transaction and it is not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token. If you are not given a token please ask for one.**

Year 6 SATS Meeting

In May the Year 6 children will be taking the end of Key Stage Two Statutory Assessment Tests. This is an important milestone in your child's education. We will be holding a short meeting on Tuesday 23rd January at 5.30 p.m. in the main hall, to share information with parents and children about what the SATs tests will involve. We will discuss the types of questions children could expect to answer and the sort of preparation that will support your child in achieving the best they can. A separate letter containing further information will be sent home with your child shortly.

Stress balls

Can we please ask that children do not bring stress balls into school. A couple of children have been quite upset when their home-made stress balls have broken in class. Thank you.

PSA Cake Sale

Please note the Year 4 cake sale will be held on Friday 12th January.

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 8th January ~ ALL CLUBS Start
- 12th January ~ Y4 Cake Sale
- 23rd January ~ Y6 SATS meeting in 5.30 p.m. in hall
- 24th January ~ Lilac Class Assembly - 2:40pm - School Hall
- 28th January ~ Parents Coffee Morning - 8:45-10am – School Hall
- 31st January ~ Sunflower Class Assembly - 2:40pm - School Hall

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



COMMUNITY NEWS

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



High Littleton <u>Greyfield road</u> Monday 10:00-12:00	Peasedown st John <u>Beacon Hall car park</u> Monday 13:00-15:00
Westfield <u>Westhill club car park</u> Tuesday 10:00-12:00	Paulton <u>Paulton village hall car park</u> Tuesday 13:00-15:00
Haydon <u>Haydon Cue club</u> Wednesday 10:00- 12:00	Pensford <u>Village hall car park</u> Thursday 10:00-12:00

Stay and Play for 0-4 year olds

Term time only.



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