



# Petersfield News

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Autumn Term — Number 3 Wednesday September 17th 2008

Services this Sunday  
21st September 2008

8.15 a.m. Eucharist in Orwell (BCP)

9.30a.m. Eucharist in Barrington

11.00 Wimpole Harvest Thanksgiving

5.00p.m. Eucharist in Croydon  
with Baptisms



**Fri. Nov 7th** is the PTA Fireworks Display, not 8th as in diary dates. Also **Friday cakes** for the 24th October need to come on the 23rd as 24th INSET day Apologies from Laureen.

**CLUBS** this term will be:

Mondays - Lunchtime Tennis & French

Tuesdays- 3.15- 4.15 Dance

Wednesdays- Lunchtime Trigolf

Choir @ 3.30 in hall

Thursdays-3.15-4.15 Tag Rugby

Fridays 3.15-4.15 Key Stage 2 Football

Mrs Wright (Amara's mum) has kindly offered to organise a Christmas card sale with a difference! Cards will be **designed and made by our own children!** Look out for a letter on Friday, together with instructions on how to proceed. The cards will be unique and very special. You will have a chance to order enough to send to all the family. Profits go to school via PTA. The project run by Cauliflower Cards aims to encourage pupils creativity and design skills whilst also raising funds for our school.

**School Harvest Festival** will be on Friday 26th September at 9.30 in St Andrew's. Pupils will be asked to bring fresh produce, tins and packets or money to help those who have poor harvests in a sealed envelope for the School Council's choice of Charity. All welcome to join us.

## Our responses to Annual Anonymous Questionnaire comments and discussion points which you raised.

Your comments are in italics and my responses are not!

*I am comfortable about going into school with a question, a problem or a complaint. We have always understood we could speak to our children's teachers at any time...*

Yes, we do like to talk to you. Sometimes we have to be careful about confidentiality so sometimes an appointment can be a good idea. A little notice to accumulate the facts or data needed to address the issue is sometimes invaluable for us. Not always, but sometimes!

*Only disappointment this year has been school sports day again. It's confusing not only for the children but for parents. Bring back competition!*

We **do** have some straight flat races, but experience tells us that children soon become bored watching just a few others run heats. The young ones don't sit and watch quietly to take part in a few races all afternoon. We like to feel everyone, all 138 pupils, are busy and involved in the medley of sports skills activities, as they are in school. Having team games, showing sportsmanship via a round robin is a way of ensuring that everyone, even the less sporty, has some measure of successful healthy participation without everyone watching their every move. Parents **did** seem to catch on last time and follow their children anti/clockwise around the field...

## WORDLES

# UNOTU

*Last answer—a following wind.*

## Well Wicked Day Lunch Menu!

Friday 26th September

Open to everybody, don't forget to book by Monday 22nd. Friday 26th September

Hot Dog (Made from Oven-Baked Suffolk Pork Sausage)

Baked Beans (Low salt and sugar)

Oven Chips

Ice cream.

Vegetarian option, salad bar and fresh fruit are also available for a healthy balance.

Orders in as soon as possible.

*(Only book, please, if your child doesn't normally have school lunches on a Friday and you would like them to try this for a change.)*

We are finding that swap cards are being brought in by the hundred and swapped at playtimes. Although this is not a problem as such they are now being stolen from bags, some children are making exchanges and then wishing to reverse them (!) and squabbles are breaking out all over the place. We would rather cards stayed at home, please.

Nominations for the post of governor are due in soon, so please think about either standing or putting someone else's name forward for this post.

We need a group of committed and intelligent people to develop the excellent work our governors already do— and strangely enough **it's fun** and they make a real difference to our school's everyday life. Try it out for size....

### Dinner Monies and other payments.

**Can we remind parents/carers that dinners must be paid for in advance. The cost for full time meals for this half term is £72.20. (£1.90 per day). All cheques payable to Petersfield Primary School. *Please don't leave blank!***

**Statements will be sent out shortly to parents of children who have had meals so far and for which we have still received no payment. Please help us by paying these outstanding amounts as soon as possible. Thank you for your help.**

All Cambridge Music timetables and bills should have gone out this week. Thanks to Mrs Penrose for all her hard work on this over two terms.

### VISITORS TO SCHOOL

Any parents/carers requiring access to school at any time are required to sign in at the office and are issued with a visitor's badge.

Could we request that visitors take care to **return** their badges and remember to sign out when leaving the building.

Thank you

**On Friday 26th September we plan to hold a Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning**

**to start in the school at about 10.30a.m. (after we have been to church for our Harvest Festival). There are many people known to us who have suffered with this condition.**



**We thought it would be a good opportunity for parents of reception children to get together to meet one another over a cuppa to help raise funds for this very worthwhile cause. All comers welcome! If you would like to help please talk to Mrs Hardy who will be coordinating this event for us.**

**All volunteers most welcome !**

Last Friday we were proud to announce that the following pupils had been chosen as:

#### **Learners of week:**

James Pinner Carter  
Kieron Bailey  
Angus Laing  
Tom Richardson  
Lauren Mudie

#### **Carers of the Week**

Katie Brown  
Jemima Tatum Horsfield  
Eleanor Williams  
Lois Daw  
Charlie Colling



## "SPORTS XTRA"

On the reverse of this newsletter is a letter from the above organisation. If your child would like to participate in dance, football, or tag-rugby, being held in school, then you will need to log on to their website directly to book. Bookings are not being taken by school.

[www.sports-courses.com](http://www.sports-courses.com)

All the information you require is on the site, price, number of sessions, times etc. (Just look down the list and click on "Orwell")  
If you need any further information from ourselves, please ask.

### **PTA News**

The PTA currently has the following vacancies:

Treasurer  
Cashier

These roles are crucial to the continued function of the PTA. If you are able to help or would be interested in further details, please speak to John Walford (01223 208808) or Judith Smith (01767 650211).

#### SHOPPING EVENING!

The PTA is planning a shopping evening on Friday 21st November at 8pm. Would you like to have a stall? Do you know of someone that would like to have a stall? Stalls will cost £10 each. To register your interest, please contact Alison Smith on 01223 208157.

#### PTA DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

NCPTA Workshop - Monday 3rd November  
Fireworks Night - Friday 7th November  
Shopping Evening - Friday 21st November 8pm  
Christmas Bazaar - Saturday 6th December

