



# Petersfield News

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*Autumn Term— Number 2 Wednesday 9th September 2009*

## Church Services

Sunday 13th September 2009

**9.30 Eucharist in Orwell**



**11.15 Worship Together in Barrington**

**6.00 Evening Prayer in Arrington**

*This term we have mixed age classes in most of our school. We have changed the name of the former Robin's class to Wren's class so that the pupils in the group from year 1 know that things are different. For your information the names and teacher in each class and year groups taught is as follows:*

*Wrens-Years R and 1- Mrs Hardy*

*Swallows- Years 1 and 2- Mrs Gwynn*

*Kingfishers-Years 3 and 4- Miss Cavender*

*Owls- Years 4 and 5—Miss Richardson*

*Eagles- Year 6- Mrs Penrose and Mrs James.*

**Please try to ensure that your child's clothes and lunchboxes are marked with their names. Without this we are unable to return them to their proper owner, and since they remain unclaimed they have to be thrown away.**

***Last chance to claim lost property Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th September during our Curriculum evenings.***

## **WELCOME BACK!**

**As you will have noticed we have had a huge amount of work done in school over the summer. This has been funded partly by building funds sourced through the Diocese of Ely and partly by our pledging our DCSF capital building monies.**

**A lot of effort has gone into preparing our school for the new term. Many thanks to all staff who have done so much work over and above what is expected to enable us to move forward together.**

**We are delighted by these changes and improvements, and yet more are in the pipeline.**

**This promises to be a busy and eventful term, and we have lots of exciting changes and innovations to share with you. Please try to attend our Curriculum Evenings so that we can share class routines and procedures with you.**

**Key Stage 1 -15th September :**

**Reception on Collection at Lunchtime**

**Year 1 and 2 at 6.00p.m.**

**Key Stage 2 16th September**

**Year 3/4 at 6.00p.m.**

**Year 4/5 at 6.30 and Year 6 at 7.00p.m.**

**Please be sure to let us know if your child develops a medical condition we should know about— allergies, asthma etc.**

Please could we remind parents not to send their children to school before 8.45. Prior to this time, the playground may still be locked. Staff will only be in the playground to supervise from 8.45 onwards. Please may we also ask that parents take care in the school car park and encourage children to walk along the footpath, not through the actual car park.

We have started what we are calling **Curriculum Enrichment afternoons** this week and are planning to make money boxes and containers with all of the pupils as part of a Design Technology project – This will be leading onto some economic awareness home-school work.

In coming weeks we are not only going to be studying all sorts of structures and forces but will be encouraging pupils to use familiar materials and resources to make their own money containers/ boxes.

### **BOOKS!**

**We are keen to maintain our lovely Guided Reading books in full sets and are short of copies of the titles named below....**

**Please could you have a look to see if any of the books are being stored at home. They now need to be returned to our shelves. Thank you.**

#### **Silly Stories**

**Snow White and the Seven Aliens  
Daft Jack and the Beanstalk  
Eco Wolf and the Three Little Pigs  
Billy Beast  
Fried Piper of Hamstring,  
Shampoozel**

**Fox in Socks—Dr. Seuss  
The Puppy Present—J. Ure  
The Shooting Star—R.Impey  
Captain Midnight and the Granny Bag—A. Matthews  
Utterly Me.—C. Bean  
How to Trick a Tiger—R. Brown  
Mr. Majeika on the Internet—H. Carpenter  
The Snowmaze—J. Mark**

**And.....anything by Jacqueline Wilson.**

Many thanks to those who have signed up to our music provision with peripatetic teachers. We are delighted to have Mrs Rachel Rigby teaching violin, Mrs Claire Lynn teaching piano, Mr Martyn Robinson teaching Woodwind and Ms. Jessica Ryckewaert teaching drums.

Drums will start on 18th September, woodwind started on 8th September. Piano will start next week; letters will be sent out shortly.



Regular hand washing and trapping germs in handkerchiefs helps us all to stay healthy. Please try to teach your child about this as Swine Flu could be kept at bay this way.

### **BYFC Soccer Fun**

For the 2009-10 season Basingbourn Youth FC are running teams from U7 (year 2) to U13 (year 8) and a new Under 11 Girls team (years 5&6). A Saturday soccer club for year 1 will start shortly. New players are very welcome particularly for our younger teams.

Visit the website [www.byfc.org.uk](http://www.byfc.org.uk) or contact Tom Timms (01763 853148) for more details.

### **-FOR SALE**

#### **Buffet Crampon Paris B12 Clarinet**

- Ideal for student use
- Comes with neck strap, cleaning cloth, cork grease
- All in hard case, velvet lined
- Various Clarinet music books for Grade 1-3 including Scales.
- £110

Please feel free to ring if you have any questions.  
Contact: Alison Colling—Orwell  
Tel: 01223 207369.

The Orwell and District Horticultural Society have written to thank us for our contribution of a presentation about Apples in Orwell. They were very impressed by the work, and pleased that we had taken the trouble to present the work in this way. Apparently a visitor from Haslingfield PTA said that they had been inspired to think of doing something similar for their show. *“So it seems that Petersfield School may be something of a trailblazer in this area”* wrote the Chair of the committee.

### **PTA News**

Many thanks to all who attended the PTA meeting in the staff room on Monday. It was a great chance to catch up with the many events we have planned and to review what was good, and what could be improved in last year's events.

Please note the Foot treasure hunt on Saturday 19th September, the Fireworks Party on Friday 6th November and the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 12th December on the dates in your calendar of events which are coming up. There is lots to do and you are very much a part of the PTA if you are a parent in this school. EVERY LITTLE HELP HELPS!- Don't be shy, just mention that you would like to help and you would be most welcome to join the committee, or just offer help when needed.

### **DEN BASH. -This Friday!**

We're looking forward to lots of families joining us for the Den Bash from 6 pm Friday evening, staying overnight on the school field.

This promises to be the most exciting event to take place in Orwell since ORFEST! Family Games, quiz, campfire songs!

This will be your chance to relive the excitement of creating a Den and sleeping out in the school field with the family.

We expect people will bring along tents which they will decorate to be judged later in the evening.

BBQ will be available Friday night, please bring your own drinks though. Breakfast will also be available to buy.



Please try to ensure that your children are wearing cycle helmets when they ride bikes to and from school. It is

so important for them to protect their brains from the sort of injury which can be so devastating when children fall off bikes at speed and hit their heads on hard surfaces.

In response to the polite requests to us submitted by pupils in an atmosphere of discussion and negotiation, we are planning to:

1. Buy some more pencil bins for the patio so that when people have finished their packed lunches they can put the rubbish in them
2. See if we can put out the football nets on the field and keep them there overnight now that we have a more secure field.
3. Order another friendship stop for the field are so that if pupils want someone to play with them when they are that side of the building it will be possible to sort that out too.

Join School council to help make a real difference.

South Cambs. Council are running a 10 week course to encourage children to lead a healthy lifestyle. If you think your child would benefit from taking part at Comberton Leisure Centre on Saturday mornings, please contact Lynne Potter, Project Co-ordinator 01954 212042. re TEAM project. Children must be 7 –12 yrs and will take part in sporting activities and have a fitness assessment.

**DIARY DATES ARE ATTACHED. More details will be given out as they become available.**