



## **St. Peter's Church of England Primary School, Heswall**

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*firm foundations, shining bright*



### **Fortnightly Newsletter**

#### **What has been happening in school?**

We have had a fun two weeks! We have had the Heswall Parish youth group visit school to tell us all about their recent trip to our partner school, Rock of Joy, in Uganda! It was really exciting to learn all about how the funds raised are being spent. We have contributed towards both new school resources and play equipment! We also had Edsential's Groovy Music Workshop come in to show us all the amazing opportunities that laying a musical instrument provides. In addition, there has been a huge amount of Headteacher's stickers given out, showcasing the wonderful work that is going on in each and every classroom – well done everyone!

#### **Covid**

We have seen an increase in the number of members of our community testing positive for covid. As we head towards the colder months and flu/cold season, covid also makes a reappearance. Please be extra vigilant with hygiene at this time, and please follow the government's latest covid guidance, which can be found here: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/covid-19/covid-19-symptoms-and-what-to-do/>

#### **Harvest**

Thank you to our families for the generous donations to the Harvest collection, which will go to benefit families in Wirral through the wonderful *Charles Thompson's Mission*, Birkenhead. Church will be displaying in the donations on Sunday 1st October, at the Harvest Scarecrow Service (10.30 The Lighthouse/ 10.45 St Peter's Church) and our pupils will be celebrating Harvest festival in church on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 9.30am**. As always, if any parents are available to help walk our children down to church, that would be greatly appreciated and helpers are invited to join us in church for the Harvest celebrations.



#### **Social Media and Marketing – Can you help?**

We all know that many exciting activities and wonderful successes happen every single day at St. Peter's, and sharing these in the most effective and impactful way is not only great for the existing school community, but is also vital in showcasing our school to new families looking to potentially join us. We already have a well-managed and safe social media presence, but think we can do even more to tell our story in the best way possible. The Leadership Team and Governors are seeking help from any parents, carers or other members of our school community who have any professional marketing, PR and/or social media experience to give some advice on a voluntary basis. There will be no obligation, and a governor would work with you to ensure all of the important policy and procedure side of things is maintained. If you think you could spare a few hours, it would be very gratefully received - please contact James Warren (one of our Foundation Governors) directly at [jameswarren@stpeters-heswall.wirral.sch.uk](mailto:jameswarren@stpeters-heswall.wirral.sch.uk)

## Wirral Fuss

Please find below a link to the website for Wirral Fuss. Wirral Fuss is a wonderful charity that provides valuable support for families that may find their finances tightening, and can provide free, laundered and high-quality pre-loved uniform for anyone and everyone who may need it. If you would like to access this service, or indeed help support the charity, please follow the link to the website.

<https://wirralfuss.co.uk>

<https://www.facebook.com/FUSS.WirralPrimary>



Uniform can be collected from their uniform hub in Heswall (upstairs at the Beacon cafe) or from school. For orders with in-school collection, it is following the same process of collecting uniform purchased via the school website.

In addition, Mrs Anna White works closely with Wirral Fuss and can support accessing free, pre-loved school uniform directly. Anna can be contacted at 07855426103 and via [annasmethurst@hotmail.com](mailto:annasmethurst@hotmail.com). Deposits to Wirral Fuss can also be made at Cains in Heswall. Thank you!

## Chair of Governors

We are really pleased to share that John Dowler has been elected as our new Chair of Governors, from 26<sup>th</sup> September. John recently joined the Governing Body back in May, and brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the role. John's pen portrait is included below. I would like to extend my thanks to Rev Martin Cannam, who has been our Chair of Governors for the last few months, and welcome Martin to his role as Vice-Chair of our Governing Body. Furthermore, Jayne Brown has formally begun her term of office as parent-elected Governor, and we look forward to working alongside Jayne for the benefit of the St Peter's community!



*I am delighted to briefly introduce myself as a recently appointed Chair of Governors for St Peter's Primary School. I am very much looking forward to working as a Chair with the school community across St Peter's Primary School. It is a school with much to celebrate and, like all good schools, it is always looking to improve and develop so that all young people at St Peter's can achieve their full potential through "firm foundations and shining bright".*

*I am a longstanding Heswall resident and my two sons (now 32 and 35) attended St Peter's school. I am a member of St Peter's church and my other interests include sailing, golf and supporting Tranmere Rovers. I have over 22 years' experience as a senior leader in three successful secondary schools. I started my teaching career back in 1981 in Cheshire, firstly as a Physics teacher at Neston High School and then as Head of Physics at Blacon High School. My career then took me to St Helens (for 16 years) and then as Headteacher in rural west Northumberland, from 2004 – 2010.*

*In 2010 I then returned to Cheshire as Headteacher at Helsby High School, from where I retired from full time work at the end of 2018. Since that time I have worked as a part time educational consultant. I support a number of Cheshire schools in my role as their SIP (school improvement partner). I also work as a performance coach and assessor for school leaders who are working towards leadership qualifications, such as the NPQH (National Professional Qualification for Headteachers). Since 2021 I have been Chair of the Cheshire Teaching School Hub.*

### Diary Dates:

Please see below for a brief overview of key dates for the next two weeks.

*Sunday 1st October: Harvest Scarecrow Service - 10.30 The Lighthouse/ 10.45 St Peter's Church*

*Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October: Harvest Festival service in Church at 9.15am*

*Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October: Lighthouse Church opening @ 7pm*

*Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October - Friends Car Boot sale on playground!*

*Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October: 5/6 Tranmere Rovers Utilita Kids Cup Football*

*Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October: Viking Trip Tatton Park Y6*

*Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October: Viking Trip Tatton Park Y5*

*Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October - Bikeability – Balance – Foundation 2 and Year 1*

Kind regards,



Michael Parry

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at  THE LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH

Fun . Craft . Games

Face painting . Glitter tattoos

Snacks . Dancing . Songs

Wear your best  
superhero outfit or bright,  
neon clothes. Shine!  
(no scary costumes please)

**Tuesday 31st October**  
**5.30–7.30pm**



**Shine bright!**  
**Be a superhero for the night!**

For children in FS2— Year 4

Tickets £4 per child with accompanying  
adult.

Book using QR code or via Heswall Parish  
website.

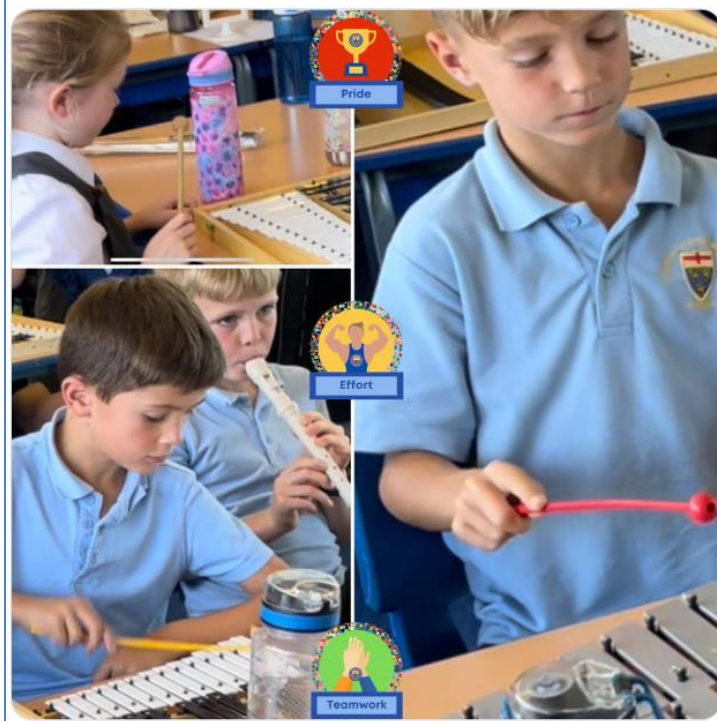




3/4R showed excellent [#respect](#) this week when watching a groovy music performance and demonstrated a great keenness to start learning a musical instrument too! [#PETERSVALUES](#) [#respect](#)



3/4C showed lots of [#effort](#) and [#teamwork](#) when learning how to accompany Mamma Mia on the glockenspiels and recorders this week! [#PETERSVALUES](#) [#Pride](#) [#Effort](#) [#Teamwork](#)



F2F have had so much fun settling into their new classroom. We have started our phonics lessons and been so impressed with how hard the children have worked! They have been working as a team to learn and follow our classroom and school rules. We have been very busy! Well done F2F



In school we enjoy R.R.P. which is a time to Read, Reflect and Pray. The children love to share their prayers with the class and the rest of the school during worship. [#PETERSVALUES](#) [#spirituality](#)

