

ST. PETER'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL, HESWALL

NEWS UPDATE – February 2015

New Assessment Arrangements

A meeting for parents has been arranged this month to enable us to explain the changes to the assessment system following the introduction of the new National Curriculum that became statutory last September. The previous NC levels remain for pupils currently in Years 2 and 6 for a further year, but for pupils in Years 1, 3, 4 and 5 these have been removed and schools are required to establish their own assessment system linked to the new curriculum.

The meeting is on Wednesday 11th February and follows the successful parent workshops last term on the new curriculum. The meeting will be run over two sessions in order to ensure as many parents as possible are able to attend. The first session starts at 3.45pm and it will then be repeated at 5pm. We are also offering a childcare facility for both meetings.

Year 2 Meeting for Parents

A meeting for Year 2 parents has been arranged for Wednesday 25th February at 6pm to explain the arrangements for the end of KS1 assessment and to share information about the residential to Barnstondale at the end of the year.

Friends of Dawstone Park

Members of Heswall Society are looking to create a 'Friends of Dawstone Park' group that will champion the development and upkeep of the park in an attempt to restore it to its former glory and enable the community, including members of school, to enjoy using it once again. A meeting was arranged at St. Peter's School on Wednesday 4th February at 7pm. The group is very much in its early stages but has secured a £15 000 grant to improve the park. If you are interested in being part of the group and would like to offer your support or simply to find out more, please let me know.

Friends' Fundraising Events

Thank you to those who supported the Friends Quiz Night that took place at the end of last month. The evening was a great success and raised nearly £500, which may increase further with the possibility of some 'match-funding.' The next event on the Friends' calendar is our annual Sponsored Pancake Flip. The date for this has changed as Years 5/6 are out of school on the original date. It will now take place on Monday 2nd March.

Half Term and INSET Day

Just to remind you that school breaks up for the half term break on Friday 13th of February. Monday 23rd February is an INSET day for staff training and so the term will recommence for pupils on Tuesday 24th February.

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