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TERM 3 – 28th January 2022

Dear All.

As we rapidly approach the middle of term I am delighted with the focus and passion for learning I witness throughout our school each and every day. Learning can be tough and it can be hard work – but the effort really does pay off. Someone said to me once, you can only get out of something what you put in – and that is true for both our youngest and oldest learners in the school – which includes us staff as we are always learning too!

We still have vacancies on our Academy Council, if you or anyone you know might be interested in finding out more (no obligation!) please contact us. We also have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor with driving duties – if you (or anyone you know) might be interested, please contact us to find out more.

As ever, if there is anything you need us from please call us on 01278 684151 or drop us a line at info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk

Thank you for your continued support.

Emma Barker

GARDENING CLUB

Every Thursday lunch time, children have the opportunity to join Mrs Moffatt for the Gardening Club. They help with sowing seeds, planting bulbs, digging soil and maintaining the school garden. Most importantly, they get their hands dirty and are able to try all of the veggies when they are ready!

If anyone has any gardening hand tools, seeds, plants or soil that they have surplus amounts off and would like to donate to the gardening club, we would be so incredibly grateful.

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL TRIP

The year 6 residential trip is at Kilve Court this year. Residential trips allow children to gain some independence and have an adventure in a safe and secure environment. It also gives them the chance to relax and have some fun with their peers after their SATs exams and before they start their secondary school adventure. There will be more information coming out soon regarding a Year 6 parents evening where we can discuss the residential more in depth and concerns or worries you may

have.

OLD SCHOOL UNIFORM

If you have any good quality, old school uniform that is taking up space in your childs wardrobe, we would very gladly take them off your hands. Our spare uniform stock is currently running low. We would also like to start up a uniform swap shop, where parents can drop off uniform that their child has outgrown and pick up any other uniform that they might need, allowing you to save money and also recycle good quality second hand clothing. This includes school jumpers, fleeces, polo shirts, summer dresses, shorts, trousers, tights, shoes and PE clothing.

PTFA

A huge THANK YOU to our lovely PTFA who have paid for the school to have a Sumdog subscription! It's such a useful and fun learning tool for the children.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the PTFA and contributing towards the school, please ask in the school office for some more information. Alternatively, their next meeting is at the school on Thursday 17th February at 1.30pm, feel free to pop along.

TEA TOWELS

The school tea towels arrived last week and have been handed out to the children who we have received payment from. If you still need to pay, please pop into the office at the end of the school day to do so and then we can give you the towel/s after payment has been received.

We have had some interest raised in ordering some more towels. If you would like to place an order of the school tea towels, please let us know by Friday 4th February.

DROP OFF/PICK UP

Miss Clements has been enjoying spending the first 15 minutes of her morning on the school gate welcoming everybody into school – even on the cold frosty mornings! A huge thank you to all of you for driving so responsibly and using the Pavilion car park for turning around.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Plans are afoot for a Breakfast Club to start in September 2022. If you would be interested in finding out more about this, please let us know. We want to make it as accommodating as possible, so your opinions matter to us!

TWITTER

Do you follow us on Twitter? If not, you really should! You can find us at @Pawlettprimary – there is lots going on!

SAFEGUARDING

Do you know what safeguarding is? It is about looking after all who are in our care. If you want to find out more, please ask us – we are here to help and support you and your children.

Our Safeguarding Lead and Deputy Safeguarding Lead are Mrs Barker and Mrs Jeffries. If you ever need to talk to someone, they can be available to support you. Either see them at the school gates, or pop in to the office to ask to speak to them.



Mrs Barker



Mrs Jeffries

2021- 22 TERM DATES

Term 3: Tuesday 4th January 2022 to Friday 18th February 2022

Term 4: Monday 28th February 2022 to Friday 8th April 2022

Term 5: Monday 25th April 2022 to Friday 27th May 2022

Term 6: Monday 6th June 2022 to Wednesday 20th July 2022

(Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd July are INSET days)

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 7th – Friday 11th February – Student Mental Health Week

Wednesday 17th February – PTFA meeting 1.30pm

Tuesday 15th and Thursday 17th - Learning Review Meetings

Monday 14th – Friday 18th March – Science Week

FREE BOOKS

We've been having a clear out and have put together some books that we no longer need. You can find them by the school office. Please help yourselves!

WELCOME

Welcome to the first Eco Committee newsletter!

Our Eco Committee meets once a month to discuss what we can do as a school to help the environment



RECYCLING

One of our main commitments to becoming more eco-friendly at school is to recycle as much as we can. Currently, all food waste and degradable materials are recycled but we want to do more.

We are pleased to let you know that we now have the facilities for collecting used ink cartridges and batteries that are ready to be recycled. The collection point is in the school office, so if you use any ink cartridges or batteries up, remember to bring them in!

GROWING AT HOME

Another of our commitments is to grow more plants and vegetables. In school we have a gardening club every Thursday lunch time where children get the opportunity to help Mrs Moffatt plant bulbs, sow seed and maintain the school garden.

There are lots of ways that you can get involved with plants at home, and you don't even need a garden! House plants not only make your house smell and look good, they help to purify the air, decrease stress levels and boost your immune system. Plants such as Peace Lily's, Aloe Vera's and Snake Plants are easy to look after and hard to kill.

To get children involved in growing edible plants, cress is a great starting point because it only takes about 10 days to grow so they can enjoy the fruits of their labour quickly! Below is a link to a child friendly site with fun ways to grow cress.

https://www.mykidstime.com/food-andrecipes/7-fun-cress-ideas-to-introduce-yourchild-to-growing-your-own/



PLANT BASED EATING

Research by Oxford University Scientist, Joseph Poore, shows that if every family in the UK swapped a red meat meal to a plant based meal just once a week, the environment impact would be the same as taking 16 million cars off of the road. Why not try a plant based meal and see how the family get on? Every fortnight we will share a different family friendly plant based meal with you to try at home.

Lemony rice and peas

10 servings

Ingredients

300g brown basmati rice
75ml olive oil
200g frozen peas
410g can lentil, rinsed and drained
410g chickpea, rinsed and drained
Juice of 2 lemons
2 bunches spring onions, finely sliced
Large bunch of coriander, chopped

Method

- Cook the rice in a large pan of boiling water for about 15 minutes, drain and drizzle with a little olive oil, then leave to cool.
- 2. Boil a kettle and pour the water over the peas in a small bowl. Leave them to defrost, then drain. In a large bowl, mix the rice with the peas, lentils, chickpeas, remaining olive oil, lemon juice and the spring onions. Season to taste.

The rice salad can now be kept in the fridge for up to 2 days. Remove from the fridge about 30 minutes before serving, then stir through the coriander.