

Pegswood Primary School News

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Code Club

Thank you to those who have replied about joining Code Club. This will begin on this coming Tuesday 10th May. Letters have been sent out today confirming places.



Bikeability

A reminder that Year 5 children will need their bikes in school on Monday and Tuesday for their bikeability course which will run over the two days. Bikes must be in good working order and children must come to school with a cycle helmet.

Bike and scooter racks

Scooter racks have been delivered, fixed and are in full use! Mr Rea has been busy power washing the area where the racks are fixed and when they were first used on Thursday morning everything looked very smart. Thanks must once again go to Pegswood Parish Council for accepting our bid and donating the money and to Mr Rea for clearing the area and fixing them in.



Walk to School Week

This is a county wide initiative where communities are encouraged to walk to school all week instead of using the car. Lots of the children already do walk to school, but we would like to encourage those who don't to leave the car at home this week and set out on foot! Obviously this isn't practical for everyone – those who live outside the village and those who are working families who drop off and continue to work. For these children there will be an opportunity at break time to walk around the playground or field to 'get' their walk for the day in. We would hope that for others, if you are able to walk, you will. Let's see if we can ease the congestion on the roads at the front of school.

Year 6 teacher

I am pleased to announce that back in March we appointed our Year 6 teacher to begin in September. Miss Lizzie France currently works at Hexham Middle School with Year 6, but will hopefully be able to spend some time in our school before the end of term and get a chance to meet the children.

Forest School

Thank you to everyone who has donated old wellingtons for the children to use in school. Last year Mrs Franklin completed a bid to the Potland Burn Community Benefits Fund in order for us to buy a bird hide for our Forest School. I am delighted to say that we were successful in the bid and that a bird hide has been ordered for delivery before the end of the school year. This will be fantastic for our site and will give Mrs Franklin the opportunity to take the children outside when the weather is poor and have an indoor shelter. We will position the hide so as to encourage as much wildlife as possible. If anyone has any spare or old bird feeders not in use in their shed or garage that you don't require anymore, we would love to take them off your hands to use to attract birds to our hide area. Mr Rea would also take any unwanted large plastic pots, ideal for growing tomatoes in, off your hands should you have any. Once again, see Mrs Franklin or Mr Rea for more details or send them in with your child. Thank you.

Breakfast Club

Please can we remind users of our Breakfast Club that it is run by support staff in our Small Hall. Breakfast Club opens from 8.00am -8.50am where they will receive cereal or toast if they wish. Children who require breakfast must be in before 8.30am, which will allow the staff time to prepare the breakfast, the children to eat it and then things to be washed and cleared away before support staff take children to their teachers ready for the bell. Thank you for your help in this.



Enrichment Week

This will take place during the week of 4th July. The theme this year will be South America, with special focus on Brazil and sport (linked with the Olympics and Paralympics). More information will be sent out when final plans are in place. However, we already have three visitors booked in during the week.

Date Changes

Please note the change of dates for our Sports Days in July. Instead of having them in our Enrichment Week, we have made them a week later. This was to enable us to have visitors in to work with the children during Enrichment Week. Bookshop has also been brought forward so it now doesn't clash with Sports Day. Please see new dates below.

Diary Dates

Monday 9th May Year 5 Bikeability course
Tuesday 10th May Year 5 Bikeability course
Sunday 15th May Greggs Cancer Run
Wednesday 18th May Year 5 leave for Kingswood
Thursday 19th May Year 4 trip to synagogue
Friday 20th May Year 5 return from Kingswood
Wednesday 25th May Reception / Nursery am trip to Whitehouse Farm

Thursday 26th May Year 4 Striking & Fielding Festival
Nursery pm trip to Whitehouse Farm
Indian themed lunch

Friday 27th May School closes for Half Term (3.00pm)

Monday 6th June Teacher Training Day – School closed to children

Tuesday 7th June School opens after Half Term

Wednesday 8th June Uniform try on session 3.00-4.00pm (Please note you cannot buy uniform)

Thursday 9th June Uniform try on session 6.00-7.00pm (Please note you cannot buy uniform)

Friday 17th June Reception New Starters meeting 9.00am Main Hall

Friday 24th June Year 4 visit – Lifepath

Monday 27th June Nursery Big Toddler (9.00am & 1.00pm)

Tuesday 28th June Parent/Carers Lunch – Reception

Wednesday 29th June Parent/Carers Lunch – Year 1

Thursday 30th June Parent/Carers Lunch – Year 2

Friday 1st July **Bookshop (New date)**

Saturday 2nd July Parent/Carers Lunch – Year 3

Sunday 3rd July Parent/Carers Lunch – Years 4 & 5

Monday 4th July Nursery Open Afternoon (September starters)

Tuesday 5th July Pegswood Village Show

Wednesday 6th July Enrichment Week

Thursday 7th July Nursery Sports Day (9.00am and 1.00pm)

Friday 8th July **Sports Day – Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4 & 5) (1.00pm)**

Saturday 9th July **Sports Day – Reception & Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) (1.00pm)**

Sunday 10th July Open Afternoon

Monday 11th July Ugly Bug Ball - Early Years & Key Stage 1

Tuesday 12th July Key Stage 2 info to follow

Wednesday 13th July House DVD

Thursday 14th July No Nursery PM

Friday 15th July School Closes for summer holidays (3.00pm)

Saturday 16th July Teacher Training Day

Sunday 17th July Teacher Training Day

Monday 18th July School opens for Autumn Term

