

Pegswood Primary School News

Friday 11th September

Issue 1

Welcome back to Pegswood Primary School! I hope you all had a fantastic summer break. The children have come back into school very enthusiastically and seem very settled already. A special welcome to our new starters – pupils, families and of course our first Year 5 children.

Building work

KS2 – Work started in the holidays to refurbish our disused classroom in order to make it ready for our transition to Primary. Although it will not be used as a full classroom this year, I am sure it will be utilised by Year 5 using it for group work. Work finished this week and we are currently creating a snagging list for the contractors. Our Year 5 classroom had minor upgrading and has been used from the first day of term. Once all snagging jobs have been completed, we would like to invite you to view the alterations.

KS1 – Whilst work was being completed in KS2, it was also decided to upgrade the KS1 corridor. Staff worked incredibly hard to clear the corridor before the end of term and during the majority of the holiday Mr Rea painted the corridor. Fitted cupboards and a carpet were then installed and for those who have seen it, I'm sure you'll agree it has completely transformed the corridor into a modern, fresh area. Money that was raised from fundraising events last year was used to partly pay for this, so thank you for all the efforts over the year at these events.

Bike racks

It is still our intention to purchase bike racks. However with building work having just been completed, we are still investigating the options. In the meantime if scooters or bikes are used to come to school, they must be dismounted at the first set of gates and pushed into school. They may be stored at this point along the wall beside our new classroom. Please do not leave scooters or bikes outside Nursery or the front gates beside our entrance to the office.

Forest School

I am pleased to announce that Mrs Franklin passed her level three Forest School Leader course. We can now officially say that Pegswood Primary School can be classed as a Forest School. Our thanks to Mrs Franklin for all of her hard work in the preparation for her assessment.

School Lunches

A reminder that the price for school lunches is now £2.10 a day.

Clubs

A number of clubs will begin next week and you will hopefully have received a letter by now. Check out the school website which will have all the diary dates on.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We are holding a Macmillan Coffee morning on Friday 25th September at 9.00am in the main hall – all welcome!

Jeans for Genes

We will be supporting the Jeans for Genes day which is on Friday 18th September. Children are asked to wear a pair of jeans instead of school trousers for the day and to bring in a donation. They may wear either school uniform on the 'top half' if they wish or come in non-uniform.

Water Stations

We encourage children to bring water into school and to drink at regular intervals throughout the day. To help this we have purchased two water stations – one in Key Stage 1 and one in Key Stage 2 – so that bottles can be re-filled.

Punctuality

The start of term seems to have begun very well and we would like to thank you for this punctuality. A reminder that the gates will be locked at 9.00am and the only entrance is then through the main office where the late register will need to be signed.

Parent Governors

There are vacancies on the Governing Board at present. If you are interested please see Mrs Layton for more information.

Diary Dates

Friday 18 th September	Jeans for Genes Day
Saturday 19 th September	Pegswood Heritage Day
Friday 25 th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Monday 28 th September	Healthy Living Week
Thursday 1 st October	Harvest Festival
Monday 12 th October	Nursery Parents Evening (3.00pm-5.30pm)
Tuesday 13 th October	Individual photographs & family (more to follow)
	Nursery Parents Evening (3.00pm-5.30pm)
Friday 16 th October	Friends of Pegswood Primary School (FoPPS) Bingo Night (5.00pm-7.00pm)
Monday 19 th October	Parents Evening – Reception – Year 5 (3.10pm-5.30pm)
Tuesday 20 th October	Parents Evening YEAR 1 ONLY (3.10pm-5.30pm)
Wednesday 21 st October	Parents Evening RECEPTION, YEARS 2, 3, 4 & 5 (3.10pm-5.30pm)
Friday 23 rd October	Main School - House Colour Day
	Nursery – Autumn Day
	School closes for half term – 3.00pm
Monday 2 nd November	School closed – Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 3 rd November	School opens after half term
Friday 13 th November	Children in Need
Wednesday 18 th November	Bookshop
Monday 23 rd November	Road Safety Week
Friday 27 th November	Christmas Fair (5.00pm-7.00pm)
Friday 4 th December	Nursery Open Afternoon
Tuesday 8 th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance (1.30pm)
Wednesday 9 th December	Key Stage 2 Christmas Performance (6.00pm)
Thursday 10 th December	Foundation Stage Nativity Dress Rehearsal for Grandparents (9.30am)
	Key Stage 2 Christmas Performance (1.30pm)
	Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance (6.00pm)
Friday 11 th December	Foundation Stage Nativity (AM)
Monday 14 th December	NO NURSERY
	Nursery & Reception Christmas party (1.00pm-3.00pm)
Tuesday 15 th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Party (1.00pm-3.00pm)
Wednesday 16 th December	Christmas Dinner & Christmas jumper day
	House Point DVD afternoon
Thursday 17 th December	Key Stage 2 Christmas Party
Friday 18 th December	School closes for Christmas holidays
Monday 4 th January 2016	School closed for Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 5 th January	School re-opens for Spring Term

Sainsbury's School Games Mark

You may see from our logo that we have added to last year's gold medal with a further one this year. This recognises the importance we give to sport and the opportunities we offer to participate in it at school. It also recognises the leadership opportunities that are offered to the children. A huge 'Well done!' to everyone.

