

# Appleshaw St Peter's CE Primary School

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## Welcome back to school!



### Welcome

I hope that all our families had fabulous summer holidays and made the best of the glorious weather that we had. I was lucky enough to spend time in the Cotswolds staying in a Shepherd's Hut, run the Barry Island 10k, visit Stratford and enjoy time in North Devon catching up with family and friends along the way.



## Ride and Stride

This Friday (7th) we will be visiting Appleshaw Church as part of the Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride event. We will be walking down to church after lunch, spending some time in the church and the church grounds and learning about its history. **We would like the children to be collected from church at 3:25pm. Please be considerate with parking and walk if possible.**

## Clubs

Clubs will start from the week beginning 17th September. Judo will continue on Fridays and we are just in the process of confirming other clubs that we hope to offer after school to broaden our provision further. You will receive a separate letter as soon as we have confirmed availability.



## Reminders

1. Please try to avoid passing messages to the person on gate duty in the morning. Instead walk round to the school office and speak to Mrs Tilley who will pass on information to the relevant member of staff. As you know we try to avoid parents coming into school in the morning and encourage children to be independent and make their own way to class and to this end...
2. Teachers are usually available every day at the **end** of each day if you need a quick informal chat. If you need a more formal appointment with your child's class teacher or another member of staff please book an appointment with the school office.

3. Please remember to let us know if your child is being collected by somebody else. The children are very good at telling us but we always need notification from parents when there is a change to routine.
4. If your child is taking medication which needs administering during school hours then the appropriate paperwork needs completing at the school office.
5. Please ensure that pupils have their PE kit in school all week (and that it is in line with our uniform policy).
6. Please park considerately at the beginning and end of each day and take due care and attention of other road users. Vehicles are not allowed on to the school site after 3pm.
7. The price of school dinners for children in Years 3-6 has increased to £2.30
8. Embroidered school uniform can be ordered here: <https://www.tesco.com/direct/appleshaw-st-peter-s-cofe-primary-school/7578.school>

## **School Improvement Targets**

I regularly review our provision and standards at school and in discussion with others establish targets to work towards with the aim of improving this school still further. Our key targets over the next 18 - 24 months are:

- Further improve the quality of the teaching of reading
- Further improve the quality of the curriculum
- Further improve the quality of the teaching of RE
- Further improve the rates of progress for lower attaining pupils

## **Volunteers**

This term we are involved in a couple of key projects. One of them is Oak Class' performance of The Tempest at the Lights Theatre in November. Any help with this project (costumes, props, staging etc.) would be most welcome. We have also signed up to a community project called 'The 215' which aims to commemorate the 215 names on the Andover War Memorial who lost their lives in WW1. We will be receiving four life-sized figures which will need to be suitably decorated in preparation for an installation at Vigo Park on the 10th November. If this is something you'd like to get involved with please let us know.

Could you run an after-school club? We know we have some gaps in our provision but don't have the staff to run everything that we'd like to but perhaps one or two of our community might like to run something? Two parents have run a very successful Spanish Club this year as an example.

## **A message from Revd. Sandra**

*On Education Sunday (9th September) at 10am our three primary schools and the parishes of Appleshaw, Kimpton, Thruxton, Fyfield and Shipton Bellinger are coming together to celebrate education in a special service at St Peter & St Paul Church, Kimpton. We want to be able to include and celebrate all levels of education, so whether you have children at pre-school, primary school, secondary school, or in higher or further education this is for you!*

*This is your invitation to this family friendly service which is open to all.*

## **PTA**

The current committee would be appreciative of a good turnout at the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 26th September. The meeting will take place in the school hall at 7:30pm and is a great way of finding out about what the PTA have been up to over the last year and what the plans are for the year ahead.



## **Diary Dates**

7.9.18: School walking to church to learn about it as an historic building - **please collect children from Appleshaw Church at 3:25pm**

8.9.18: Ride and Stride event

9.9.18: Education Sunday – Benefice Service @ Kimpton Church

10.9.18: New Year R pupils start (mornings only)

10.9.18: Bikeability for Year 6

17.9.18: New Year R pupils start full time & clubs start this week

26.9.18 PTA AGM

1.10.18: Oak Class visiting the Lights theatre

8.10.18: Day Closure for Staff Training

11.10.18: Individual School Photos

22.10.18: Half Term

3.12.18: Day Closure for Staff Training

21.12.18: Last day of the Autumn Term

7.1.19: Pupils return to school for the spring term



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