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Petworth Post

Engaging our community!

Why do we do Bikeability?

By Sienna & Marley

Bikeability is a safe and fun way for children to learn and ride a bike safely on the main road. The road is a dangerous place unless you know how to ride safely. Bikeability is a great place to start riding on the road, learn new skills and to ensure you are safe and protected at all times.

It is a great experience and it will challenge and inspire others to come and join. The instructors are great and they will make sure you learn safely.

Once you complete your MOT check – check your tyres, breaks work, chain goes round and everything is safe to ride. Then off you go!



Photos: Our trip to London – read more in our next newsletter.





TTRS – Just 10 minutes a day will make a HUGE difference!



Above: Just getting used to hand signals before we go out onto the road.

Devastating News

Bella & Sophia

Sadly, on Monday 10th November our beautiful pig Timone passed due to a tumour in her stomach. Timone was taken by the vet for a sample to see what had happened to her. She lived an extraordinary life in our school, and we will cherish her in our hearts, forever. We will make sure we give her sister (Pumba) an idyllic life.



Does our Primary Education System work?

By Ed B.

I think our education system, like everything else, can be improved. I am in year six and so far I have had a good experience of the system because:

- o It helps me learn and to build confidence.
- o There are many different subjects in our educational system.
- It lets us learn at our own pace.
- Also, it helps us interact with one another.

Petworth CofE Primary's educational system even expands past school as it allows us to play games such as TTRockStars, Numbots and Ed Shed. Also, our education system expands to reading sessions and you can move up through different levels of reading until you can read any book you want.

That is why I think our educational system is amazing!

Why do we need art in school?

By Esmae

Making art is fun for children and adults because they can use their imagination to make pictures, which can be used to make lots of things like cards and stickers. Everybody enjoys creating art about things they love best whether it's football, animals or imaginary worlds. Every work of art inspires people to create their own masterpiece, and displaying children's art makes school interesting and colourful.



Above: Our new Art Room.







Do you know how cars work?

By Edward S & Ethan

If you don't know, we are going to tell you a few basics. First, the most important part of the car are the wheels because there is no chance that your car will be able to move without them. This is why it is the most important part of the car.

Just remember to fill up the car with petrol (unless it's a diesel car or electric). You need this for every trip you go on, however don't worry if you forget to and you breakdown. You can just call a nearby breakdown service to get help, but you will look a bit silly!

Next is the axle...basically the axle is connected to the steering wheel, tyres and the rear wheels, which is how your car steers.

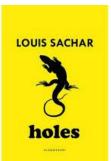
In our opinion the best cars are BMW M3 comp (Ethan's) and Ford Mustang GT (Edwards).



Above: 2019 Ford Mustang Shelby GT-S

Book Review

By Laila & Beth



The wonderful world of Holes (our class reader)

For the previous couple of weeks, Willow Class has been studying a book named Holes

by Louis Sachar. It is a **phenomenal** read with unexpected twists and turns always keeping us on the edge of our seats. The book is set in the middle of the desert; the barren land is home to the highly feared Yellow Spotted Lizard, which could leave your body lifeless in a matter of seconds. The main character, Stanley Yelnats, who was sent to a deserted wasteland, was framed for thievery.

We think this is an exceptional book, which keeps us wondering what will happen next. We would recommend this book to anyone above the age of eight or a strong reader.

Should VR be in Schools? By Arthur & Oscar L

Have you ever wanted to visit the pyramids? Or maybe travel down the awesome Amazon? Maybe even see what Pompeii was like prior to the volcano eruption? Or gain an experience of travelling through Antarctica with Ernest Shackleton? Many of these things are impossible to do, however you could do this with just a click of a button with VR. The possibilities of VR are endless, bringing far off places either geographically, historically or scientifically, which is a step closer with VR. Can you believe what we could do with VR? We could do so many things such as: travel to Ancient Rome, Ancient Sparta and explore inside the human body.

In our opinion, we think VR should be in school because it will help provide more educational experiences and it'll be fun!

Did you know...at West Sussex Libraries (including Petworth), you can book an immersive VR experience and when you put the VR on you can jump into a magical world FULL of books in December to celebrate West Sussex's 100th anniversary! https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/-/virtual-reality.

The Latest Tournament that we Participated in.

By Amy & Sienna

On Friday 7th November, we competed in a hockey tournament at MRC. We played six games and even went against another Petworth team as we took two teams.

Our school did this so we could have a chance to play competitive hockey. Overall, we were placed 4th and 5th. The teams we were against were Camelsdale, Hollycombe, Midhurst and of course our own team.

It was fun to play competitive hockey for our school. Always good to win, but also to build on our teamwork.

Why Should Schools Do Forest School?

By Laila & Beth

Many schools across the country have set up their own unique version of Forest School, but should they? We feel it is an amazing opportunity for students to get out of the classroom, learn new skills and explore new areas. Without Forest School we would be trapped inside all day (apart from break time), but the woodland allows us to stretch our legs and have fun!

We spoke to our Forest School Leader (Mrs Dallyn) and she said, "Forest School teaches us how to be independent and learn about the nature around us. Also, it teaches us to play safely as well as take risks, which is also very important.

Maybe the question should not be why schools should do Forest, maybe it could be should schools do **MORE** Forest School?

School Talks By Sophia & William

In School Talks we interview a teacher to find out more about them, their everyday life and their favourite things. Here it is our very own...**Miss Stedman**.

What is your dream car? McLaren

What is your favourite TV programme? Hanna Montana

What is your favourite holiday to go on? Australian Beach

What is your favourite snack? Mint Chocolate

Who is your favourite singer? Justin Bieber

What is your favourite hobby? Seeing my friends

Who is your favourite football player? John Stones

Why did you become a teacher? Because it was my dream

Who are the most important people in your life? My mum and dad

Do you enjoy your job? Why? Yes, because it is fun and different



What is your favourite sport? F1 - Lando
What is your favourite drink? Iced caramel latte
What is your favourite animal? Baby penguin

What is your favourite colour? Purple

What is your least favourite part of your job? Not seeing students at school.