



# P.P.S. NEWSLETTER

Inspire, nurture, challenge.

**James 3:6** And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness.

17th December 2021  
Autumn Term No.5

Dear Parents/Carers,

As the autumn term ends and the excitement of the festive holidays is taking over our daily lives, it is always good to reflect upon an incredibly busy term. It has, once again, been extremely difficult for members of our community, as we have all struggled to some degree with Covid, illnesses and everything they impact on.

Our children have been fantastic this term and have risen to the challenges that have been offered to them throughout the year. Our school has arranged many different educational visits, eleven different sporting opportunities, been involved in community initiatives and much more. I would like to thank everyone for supporting us in trying to offer our children as many different life experiences as possible. Our children have missed out on too much which we are trying to rectify.

In the new year, we will be having a focus on reading and further trying to get every child to have a love of books. This will only happen with your help and there is no magic wand for this. Believe me, I have looked!

We have many different learning opportunities already planned for our children in the spring term e.g. Maple Class are swimming, Elm and Willow completing Bible Explorers, Elm at Forest School and guitar lessons (not at the same time), many different sporting events, various trips (Houses of Parliament, Goodwood) and we may even have a sleepover!

Finally, thank you to you all for the support, kind words, cards and presents. From everyone connected to Petworth CofE Primary School, we wish everyone an enjoyable and safe festive period, and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

### Social Media

You may have noticed we have been a bit more active on our social media accounts, especially Facebook. We are trying to engage with our school community and keep you informed about what our children are up to. Please be aware that we will not engage in conversation or respond to any comments via Facebook.

### Crisp Packets

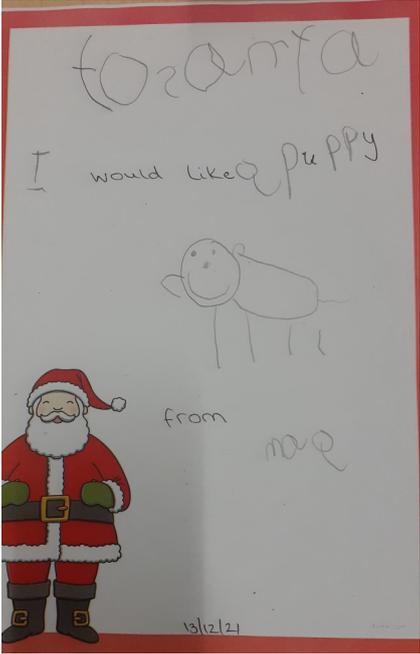
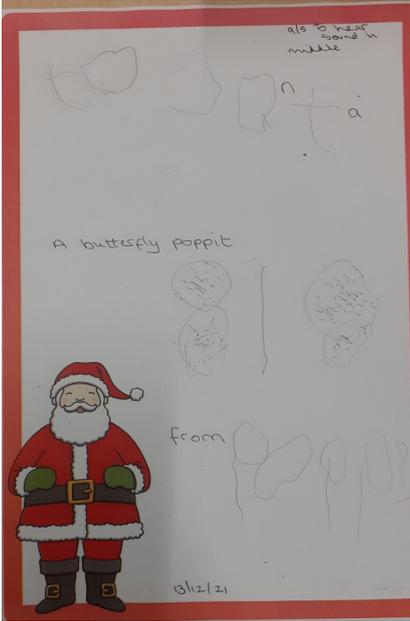
Aria and Emily are encouraging the whole school and our community to collect those empty crisp packets. Please help to support the girls and collect those crisp packets over the festive period and bring them to school in the new year. Their aim is stop every crisp packet in Petworth going into landfill.

### Redesigned Website

Please take a look at our redesigned website [www.petworth.w-sussex.sch.uk/web](http://www.petworth.w-sussex.sch.uk/web)

### Oak Class Work

Oak Class have been busy writing their letters to Father Christmas.





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**Article 4** Governments must do all they can to make sure every child can enjoy their rights by creating systems and passing laws that promote and protect children’s rights.

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## Class Reading Books

### Oak Class

Oak Class are currently reading ‘The Polar Express’ and ‘10 Little Elves’.

### Ash Class

Ash Class are reading ‘The Gingerbread Man.

### Rowan Class

Rowan Class are currently reading or looking at a different picture book everyday.

### Beech Class

Beech Class are currently reading ‘The Christmas Pig’ By J.K. Rowling.

### Maple Class

Maple Class are now reading "The Boy at the Back of the Class" by Onjali Q Rauf.

### Elm Class

Elm Class are currently reading ‘The Iron Woman’ by Ted Hughes.

### Willow Class

Willow are currently reading ‘The Firework Maker's Daughter’ by Phillip Pullman now.

## Dates for your Diary 2021

**Fri 17 Dec End of Autumn Term**

## Dates for your Diary 2022

**Tues 4 Jan Back to School**

**Thurs 6 Jan Elm Class Forest School**

**Thurs 13 Jan Ash Class Goodwood Farm**

**Fri 14 Jan Maple Class Swimming for 10 Weeks**

**Tues 18 Jan Elm and Willow Class Parliament Trip**

**Thurs 10 Feb Beech Class Forest School**

**Fri 18 Feb Break up for Half Term**

**Mon 28 Feb Inset Day School Closed**

**Tues 1 Mar Back to School**

**Fri 8 Apr End of Spring Term**

**Mon 25 Apr Back to School**

**Thur 28 Apr Rowan Class Forest School**

**Fri 29 Apr Beech Class Swimming for 10 weeks**

**Mon 9 May SATS Week**

**Fri 27 May Break up for Half Term**

**Mon 6 June Back to School**

**Tues 28 June Year 6 Leavers Service Chichester Cathedral**

**Thurs 21 July End of Summer Term**

## Inset Days 2021/2022

**Mon 28 Feb Inset Day**

**2 more Inset Days to be set**





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# Starting School September 2022?



**We are so proud of our school and are looking forward to sharing it with you.**

- \* Superb indoor and outdoor learning environments; come and meet our farm animals
- \* Onsite breakfast and after school clubs
- \* A school community who inspire, nurture and challenge each other
- \* Graded 'Good' by Ofsted

Find out more about Petworth CofE Primary School and the exciting learning experiences we offer. Please call our School Office to book an appointment and see our school in action on 01798 342369.

