

Friends of St Peter's News

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HARVEST SHOW & SPONSORED VILLAGE WALK

On Sunday 15th October, following the Harvest Service at St Peter's Church, we will be hosting our St Peter's School Harvest Show and Sponsored Walk. This is a great opportunity to enjoy and explore the beautiful countryside around Alvescot with other St Peter's Parents and celebrate all things Autumn at our Harvest Show.

Sponsored Walk

The sponsored walk will start from the church and wind its way around Alvescot to the village hall, where we will be holding the Show and serving refreshments. The walk will be 1.5km and, if possible, it would be wonderful for pupils to collect sponsorship for completing the walk. Sponsor forms and route maps will be in book bags later this week.

The route crosses stiles on public footpaths so is not suitable for pushchairs (unless you can lift them over!) but we will have a shorter pushchair friendly trail available through the village. We recommend wellies and waterproofs! We want everyone to have fun and enjoy themselves but also kindly ask that you remember the Countryside Code.

Any monies raised will fund books for our key stage two library and other equipment and resources for our school. All children taking part in the walk will be awarded a certificate!

Harvest Show

After your Walk, you are welcome to join us for our Harvest Show in the village hall and enjoy refreshments including home-made soups, hot dogs and tea, coffee and cake.

Our Harvest Show will include the following fun categories for pupils and their siblings, in two age groups, age 5 and under or 6-11 years:

- Best Nature Crown
- Best Drawing of St Peter's Church
- Best Animal Handprint
- Best Family Fun Bake
- Best Harvest Riddle
- Best Animal made from a Vegetable
- Best Nature Windchime
- Best Painted Pumpkin
- Best Forage Art (picture made from leaves, twigs etc)

Please drop off show entries between 9.15-10.10am, before the Harvest Service, in the village hall. Show entries will cost £1 per family, for an unlimited number of entries. Judging will take place straight after the Harvest service, and you will be able to see all the entries on display in the hall.

We look forward to a wonderful celebration of Harvest and will be excited to see lots of fantastic and inventive Show entries!



Filmclub Friday

On Friday 10th November, we will be hosting our first FoSP FilmClub screening a classic children's movie! All pupils are welcome to attend FilmClub for free, and we will be offering snack bags at £2 each (including a carton of juice, mini Haribo bag and popcorn).

Please watch out for a ParentMail coming soon, so that you can reserve your seat and snack bag!



Christmas Shoeboxes

We are really pleased to once again be supporting the T4U Christmas Shoebox Appeal this year. You can learn more about their amazing work in Romania by visiting their website, <http://teams4u.com/shoebox-appeal/>

You can choose to fill a box for a girl or boy, fill a family box with household goods, or you can instead contribute an item or two to the Cygnus, Tucana or Phoenix Shoeboxes, which will be in the classrooms after half term.

We will be handing out T4U leaflets and wrapped shoeboxes in the playground the week before half term break and ask that boxes are returned to school on 7th November. You are also warmly invited to Witney Methodist Church for the Dedication service on 13th November at 6pm.

SHOPPING BAGS

Following the success of our pupil self-portrait tea towels in 2016, this year we are planning to order printed self-portrait shopping bags. Fantastic quality and great value, and decorated with your children's self-portrait, they are a wonderful lasting memento of the school year, and are a great gift for grandparents, friends and family for Christmas, birthdays, Mother's Day etc. We will again be hoping to keep the price under £4 per bag.

A ParentMail will be coming out soon, so that you can indicate how many bags you would like to pre-order. Payment will be on collection.



50/50 LOTTO

In January, we will be launching our FoSP 50/50 Lotto, with a monthly cash prize draw. It will initially run from January until July 2018. Every year thereafter it will run October – July each year.

You will have the chance to sign up for tickets between now and January 2018, at a cost of £2 per month (£14 for the period January – July). The prize fund will be 50% of each month's income, with the other 50% contributing towards school projects, such as books for the Key Stage Two library.

Do you have a child suffering from Anxiety or Depression?

APCAM

Assisting Parents with Children Affected by Mental Health

Come along to our friendly support group on the **first Wednesday** of each month, at **Carterton Town Hall** from **7pm-9pm.**

For more information contact:
[07939 344299](tel:07939344299)
Or email apcamgroup@gmail.com

Easyfundraise with St Peter's

Please remember...

If you're buying online St Peter's can benefit from your orders. There are no catches or hidden charges, simply:



1. Head to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpetersceschoolalvescot/ and join for free.



2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, find the site you want and start shopping.



3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to St Peter's for no extra cost!



Decopatch at The Pottery Place, Witney

Please do email FoSP if you are interested in joining us one Sunday afternoon for crafts and a natter!



KEY STAGE 2 AMAZON WISHLIST

To donate a book to the KS2 library, please browse through our Wishlist at: www.amazon.co.uk/gp/registry/wishlist/?ie=UTF8&cid=A3QUW8EGJXCUD1 or search for the Wishlist using StPetersSchoolAlvescot.

Once you've decided which book you'd like to donate, please check the book out and add a note to 'gift options' with your details (for example 'kindly donated by the Brown Family') so that we can add a bookplate inscription. Your chosen book will be a wonderful lasting gift to the school while also promoting a lifelong love of reading.

