



St. Peter's Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Hello! It has been wonderful to finally join the St Peter's community this week. I have really enjoyed meeting the staff and children – everyone has been so welcoming!

My name is Joanna Langton and I join you as the new headteacher at St Peter's Primary School. Community and family are very important to me and this week I have very much enjoyed getting to know the children and staff at St Peter's.

A little background, I am historically from the Tunbridge Wells area and went to both secondary and primary schools in the town. My family, which consists of my husband and four sons, live just outside of Tunbridge Wells.

I will be on the gate every morning and afternoon, please do feel free to introduce yourself and have a chat!

Mrs Joanna Langton



Over the last few months at St Peter's there have been several new members of staff. To help us get to know each other better, Tuesday for the INSET day, we took part in a team building day. The staff here at school are amazing! I discovered that we have many talents on the team including languages, costume design, embroidery, running talents to name a few.

I would like to introduce the newest TA to join our team Mr Kate Bloomfield who is working in Saturn and Jupiter classes.



Class Updates from the Start of term 3

Mars

This week we have been learning about habitats and the children have really enjoyed building their own jungles. We have read the Snail and the Whale. A highlight this week was when we went to the library in small groups to change our books and then we took them to show Mrs Langton in her office.



Pluto

This week we have used Bee Bots to have a go at simple coding it was quite tricky but great fun. We have started to learn about The Great Fire of London and have read lots of stories about this new topic. In our writing we are beginning to learn about how to use question marks.

Earth

The children have been showing great determination this week which we have all noticed, well done. There has been some amazing gymnastics in our PE lessons and some super ideas in the RE lesson which amazed us all. The children had to think about the question 'What good news does Jesus bring?' the class had so many answers and thoughts we ran out of space to record them all!

Neptune

Mrs Sowerby is currently signed off after an injury in the snow, we wish her a speedy recovery. This week the class has been taught by Mr McAteer. There have been some exciting science experiments going on in Neptune which we will continue to work on next week.

Mercury

We wrote New Year's resolution poems which were fantastic. This week in PE we started football and Gymnastics. We have been learning about the difference between danger, risk and hazard as part of our PSHCE topic on keeping safe, the children found this very interesting and had lots of ideas.

Saturn

We started tennis this week, the children were super at this new sport. We are seeing the money coming on for our Fiver Challenge. We have worked hard this week in science carrying out experiments to help us to understand that the Earth goes around the Sun... a tricky concept but we

think we have got it! We launched our new topic based on the book 'Journey to the River Sea' please do not read this at home as we need to do work on prediction school.

Jupiter

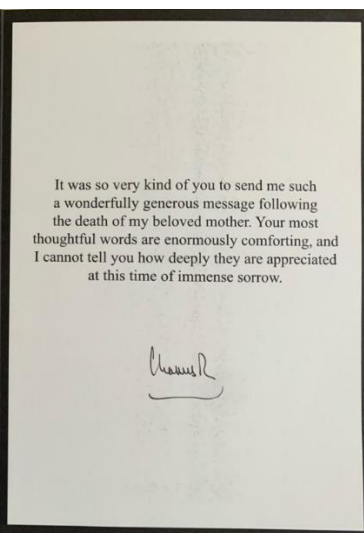
We have designed our own websites using Microsoft Sway, we are going to teach Mrs Langton how to do this so that she can have a go at producing the newsletters using Sway next time! In music we used body percussion to play along to Bolero – the children were very enthusiastic about this lesson.

News from Beyond school

Huge congratulations to Alice B who has had a letter from the King after thoughtfully writing to him on the death of his mother. So kind Alice well done!

Alice's mum has let us know that when Queen Elizabeth II died, Alice wrote to the new King to tell him how sad she was that his mum died. Alice also added he can show his people now what he is 'made of'!

The King has replied...



Upcoming Diary dates

Next week clubs start.

Wednesday 11th football match against Bidborough Primary at home.

To conclude this first newsletter, I would like to thank Mr Turvey for all his hard work at St Peter's since September. We were in close contact during terms 1 and 2, it was good to know that the school was in such good hands. I would also like to thank all the children and staff for making me feel so welcome already and for answering my hundreds of questions! I can see that what I have been told about St Peter's is true, it truly is a wonderful school with polite, well mannered and friendly children and I am so excited to begin this journey with you all!

Joanna Langton - Headteacher