



SLINFOLD CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
AND PRE-SCHOOL

Caring for each other, learning from each other,
achieving with each other... guided by God



Newsletter

12th January 2024

Welcome back to another wonderful term at Slinfold CE Primary and Pre-School. The children have settled in superbly into their learning and have got back into the full swing of things after a well-deserved break. It has been wonderful to see the incredible writing taking place across the school and the children in Hamble have shown some incredible independent learning.

Our children in Adur have been getting stuck into some great science experiments and Arun children have been learning some incredible facts about the Ancient Greeks.

I have also seen a range of wonderful maths being undertaken in each year group with year 5 and 6 showing their knowledge of formal methods of multiplication. Why not test them at home?

Some of you may be aware that Reverend Sandra will be leaving the parish in the coming weeks. She would like to warmly welcome you all to her final Farewell Songs of Praise at the church on Sunday 21st January at 5pm, there will be a party in the village hall afterwards.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Reverend Sandra the very best for the future. She has been an inspirational and dedicated servant of the church and the community and I know she will be dearly missed.

Her last worship at school will be on Thursday 18th January.



Church services – Keep up to date by logging on to St Peter's page on Facebook or the website: www.stpeterslinfold.co.uk

Please contact Revd Sandra if you would like to chat or to arrange a visit, baptisms or weddings.

Tel: 790197 or

email: sandra.richard2021@outlook.com

Weekly services held at St Peter's:

Holy Communion (BCP) - 8 a.m. 3rd Sunday.

Holy Communion - 9.30am 1st, 2nd 4th and

5th Sundays in each month.

Young in Faith – Family Service 10am 3rd Sundays – all ages welcome to a simple celebration

Mid-week Holy Communion – 10 a.m. Thursdays

During school holidays the services at 9.30am will be Family Communions, all ages welcome.

Don't forget Sunday's Cool at St Peter's.

Sunday's Cool - Every Sunday in term time (except the 3rd) in the village hall 9.15am



Reflection

Compassion can make change. Showing compassion can change how someone feels and how they behave. When can you show compassion to others to help them to change how they feel or behave?

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Class	Attendance
Hamble	93%
Medway	91%
Arun	95%
Adur	92%
Rother	96%
Whole school	93.1%

Remember Great attendance leads to Great Progress!



DIARY DATES

Please note that letters about these events will come out to provide more information.

15th January – Netball at Penthorpe

17th January – Tag Rugby year 5 and 6

17th January – New age Kurling year 1 and 2

18th January – School census day

22nd January – Paul Ullson (History man) visit

22nd January – Home football match against Greenway

24th January – Talented athletes year 5 and 6

25th January – Pottery Workshop Adur

Friday 9th February – Last day of Spring term 1

School Attendance

Many of you may be aware that school attendance has hit the headlines with major concerns being raised around persistent absences from school. The Government has provided some clear guidance for communities in order to help support improving attendance.

One of the areas is providing clear information from the NHS and Chief Medical Officer, more information on 'Is my child too ill for school?' can be found at this link: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

They have also shared some key information for communities around attendance:

- In 2018/2019, just 40% of persistently absent children in year 6 achieved the expected standard in comparison to 84% of regular attenders
- In the same academic year only 36% of persistently absent children gained grad 9 to 4 in their English and Maths GCSE's compared to 84% of regular attenders

Attendance is not only important for attainment. Regular school attendance can facilitates positive peer relationships, these are key protective factors for mental health and well-being.

At the moment our school attendance is 93.1%, we would love for this to improve so that all children can benefit from the wonderful learning and social experiences on offer.

If you would like to discuss your child's attendance and any potential barriers, please make contact with Mr Campbell or Mrs Collins.

Respect, Courage, Compassion, Responsibility