



## Lower Junior Parent Pack

Welcome to Lower Juniors. This year your child will be taught by Mrs Archer Dytch, Miss Brownley, Miss Waghorn and Miss Smith.

A comprehensive overview of our planning can be found on the school website. Units covered this year are as follows:

### **English**

Term 1: Settings, recount, suspense and action, persuasive adverts

Term 2: Dialogue, explanation, opening and endings, discussion.

Term 3: Description -people, places and objects, instructions, character, information.

### **Maths Year 3**

Term 1: Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division A

Term 2: Multiplication and Division B, Length and Perimeter, Fractions A, Mass and Capacity.

Term 3: Fraction B, Money, Time, Shape, Statistics.

### **Maths Year 4**

Term 1: Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Measurement and Area, Multiplication and Division A

Term 2: Multiplication and Division B, Length and Perimeter, Fractions, and Decimals A.

Term 3: Decimals B, Money, Time, Shape, Statistics, Position and Direction.

**Science:** Term 1: Food and the Digestive System, Sound

Term 2: States of Matter, Grouping and Classifying

Term 3: Electrical Circuits and conductors.

**R.E:** Autumn term - The Journey of Life and Death.

**Geography:** Term 1: Interconnective Worlds

Term 2: Misty Mountain, Windy River

Term 3: Revision and retrieval practice.

**History:** Term 1: Invasion

### Term 3: Ancient Civilisation

**Art:** Term 1: Contrast and Compliment, Warp and Weft  
 Term 2: Vista, Animal  
 Term 3: Statues, statuettes and figurines, Islamic Art

**D&T:** Term 1: Fresh Food, Good Food  
 Term 2: Functional and Fancy fabrics  
 Term 3: Tomb Builders

**ICT:** Online safety, coding, Spreadsheets, touch typing, Email, branching databases, presenting, powerpoint.

*English and Maths will be taught daily.*  
*P.E (Wednesday - outdoor or indoor in bad weather).*

### CLASS TIME TABLE: (Sample Year 3/4)

Monday	Grammar	Maths	English		L	Geography	RE
Tuesday	No Nonsense Spelling	Maths	English		U	Science	Music
Wednesday	Grammar	Maths	English		N	PE	PHSE
Thursday	No Nonsense Spelling	Maths		English	C	History	Spanish
Friday	Reciprocal Reading/ comprehension	Hand writing/Spelling	Time tables	Art/DT	H	ICT	Achievement Assembly

The timetable is flexible and will be changed when necessary.



### OUR CLASSROOM:

- Water bottles are encouraged and children can drink from these whenever they feel like they need a drink in the classroom. These are filled up throughout the day from our (noisy) water machine!
- Each child has a class job which they are responsible for.
- In our class we have 2 class bears (Eddie and Wilford). Wilford goes home with a different child each week and has a diary for the children to free write in, about their time spent with him. Eddie observes hard working children, those who are being 'Take Care', ready, respectful and safe, and nominates class members for Take Care Tokens.
- Each half term we will endeavour to read 1 or 2 class books to the children. Our first book is Varjak Paw and the children are very engrossed already.
- A fortnightly class newsletter is uploaded onto our class page of the website to let you know what we have been up to and which also lists any homework.

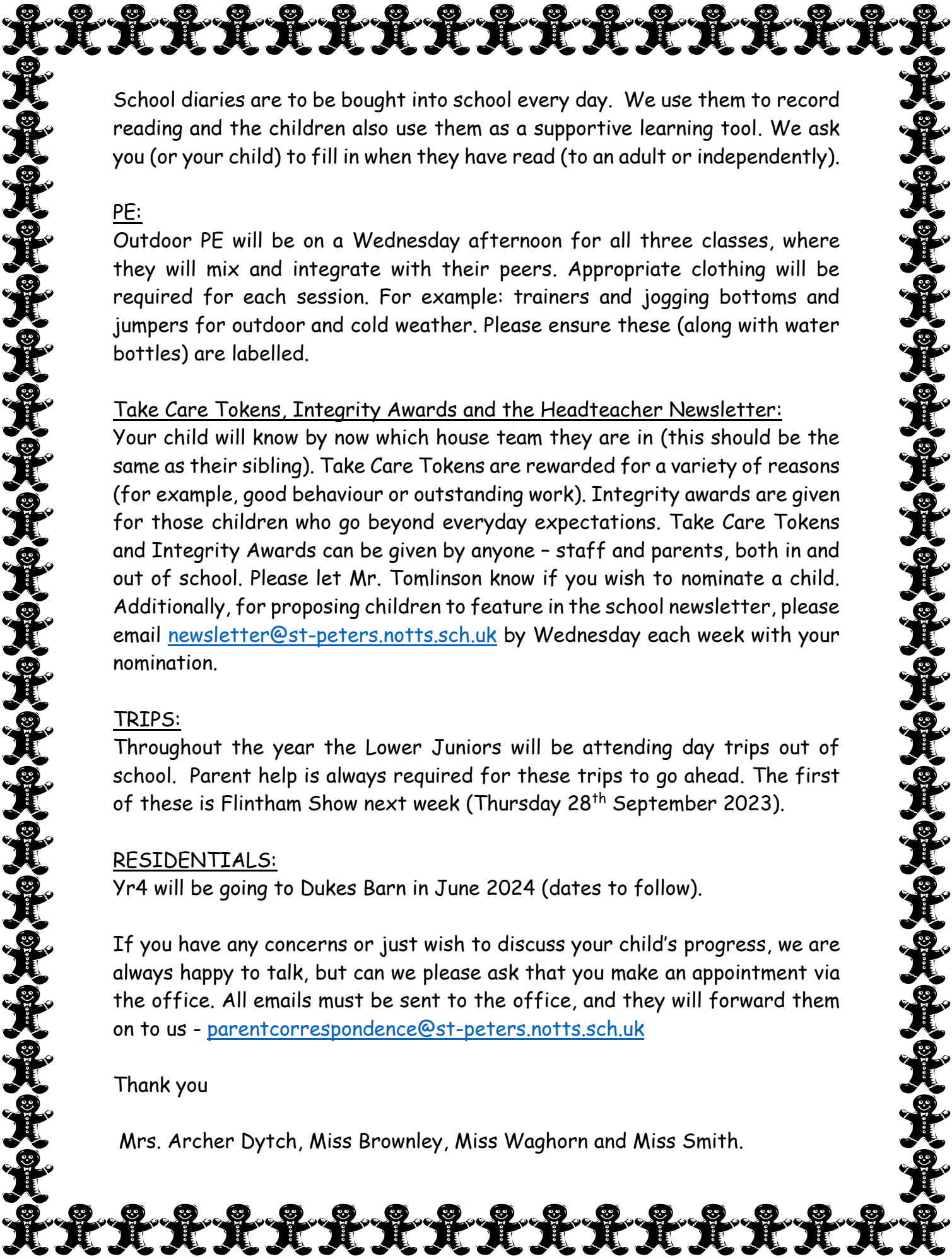
### HOMEWORK:

We will send work home if we feel it will support learning in class, for example a maths worksheet or topic research. Homework will always be detailed on our fortnightly newsletter which goes onto the website. The children should be encouraged and guided to go on Purplemash and other websites subscribed to by school (we will direct the children to which we would like them to use for the different pieces of homework). Finally, we **strongly** encourage daily reading from a variety of sources and regular practise of spellings and times tables. **Year 4 children will be doing a National Times Table test in June which we will prepare for in school (more information to follow nearer the time).**

### SPELLINGS:

We are following the 'No Nonsense' spelling scheme and this will be taught during SPaG lessons or during a specific timetabled slot (usually Fridays). Individual spellings will be sent home as and when necessary. The statutory government spellings are included in the children's work diary and will be learned in addition to our in school spelling scheme.

### WORK DIARY:



School diaries are to be bought into school every day. We use them to record reading and the children also use them as a supportive learning tool. We ask you (or your child) to fill in when they have read (to an adult or independently).

PE:

Outdoor PE will be on a Wednesday afternoon for all three classes, where they will mix and integrate with their peers. Appropriate clothing will be required for each session. For example: trainers and jogging bottoms and jumpers for outdoor and cold weather. Please ensure these (along with water bottles) are labelled.

Take Care Tokens, Integrity Awards and the Headteacher Newsletter:

Your child will know by now which house team they are in (this should be the same as their sibling). Take Care Tokens are rewarded for a variety of reasons (for example, good behaviour or outstanding work). Integrity awards are given for those children who go beyond everyday expectations. Take Care Tokens and Integrity Awards can be given by anyone - staff and parents, both in and out of school. Please let Mr. Tomlinson know if you wish to nominate a child. Additionally, for proposing children to feature in the school newsletter, please email [newsletter@st-peters.notts.sch.uk](mailto:newsletter@st-peters.notts.sch.uk) by Wednesday each week with your nomination.

TRIPS:

Throughout the year the Lower Juniors will be attending day trips out of school. Parent help is always required for these trips to go ahead. The first of these is Flintham Show next week (Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023).

RESIDENTIALS:

Yr4 will be going to Dukes Barn in June 2024 (dates to follow).

If you have any concerns or just wish to discuss your child's progress, we are always happy to talk, but can we please ask that you make an appointment via the office. All emails must be sent to the office, and they will forward them on to us - [parentcorrespondence@st-peters.notts.sch.uk](mailto:parentcorrespondence@st-peters.notts.sch.uk)

Thank you

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