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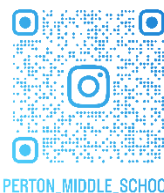
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NEWSLETTER 11.07.23

As we come to the end of the school year, if you have any uniform that you no longer need, please consider donating it to school. We are particularly short of ties, blazers and cardigans.

You may be thinking about buying next year's uniform. Please bear our uniform policy in mind before purchasing, particularly in regards to shoes, skirts and girls' trousers. Shoes should be black and polishable (with no branding) – trainers are not permitted. Skirts should be knee length, without elastane or lycra – stretchy tube skirts are not allowed. Girls' trousers should be full-length in a tailored style (no leggings or stretch trousers).

If the cost of school uniform is unaffordable for you at the moment, please contact me via email: csh@sslp.uk to see if you are eligible for uniform assistance.

Mrs. Shelley

SEUSSICAL REVIEWS

Thanks to everyone who came along to watch Seussical Jr. We had lots of amazing feedback. Here is just a small selection of the comments...

"Next stop - Broadway! Showstopping performance, I was blown away! Well done everyone."

Fantastic performance from all of the children! I'd have watched that at The Grand, it was so professional! Well done!

"WOW!!! Just amazing. The singing, the dancing and everyone enjoying themselves. A pleasure to watch."

"A very well done to all of you - on stage and behind the scenes. FANTASTIC!!!"

"WOW! Just WOW! Far exceeded my expectations. How brilliant each and every one of you were/are! Be PROUD!"

"Every single one of you was AMAZING! I cried with happiness; I am so proud of you all. Keep giving 100%."

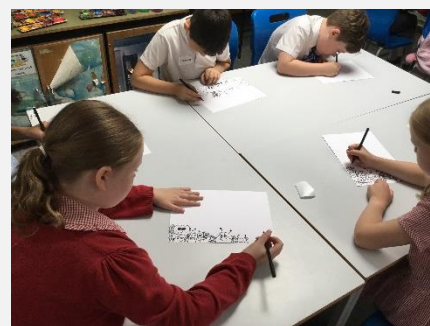


UPCOMING EVENTS

- Weds 19th July: Y8 Presentation Evening at Perton Civic Centre
- Fri 21st July: Drayton Manor, Y8

INDUCTION EVENING AND TRANSITION DAYS

Last Tuesday evening, we welcomed our new students and their families to meet their form tutors. It was also lovely to see the children's smiling faces and enthusiasm during their induction days.



SEUSSICAL JR...THE PERFORMANCE

The recent performances of Seussical Jr. made us all extremely Proud to be Perton. Everyone involved put in so much time and effort and it really showed. A massive well done to all the cast and a big thank you to all the staff involved.



SOLUTIONS FOR THE PLANET – BIG IDEAS



On Wednesday last week, we were thrilled to have a team represent us at the National Finals of the *Solutions for the Planet Big Ideas Competition* which was held in the Houses of Parliament in London. Whilst there, they presented their idea for a robotic squid that would collect plastic from the ocean which could then be recycled into other useful items. They presented to a panel of judges who represented industry as well as several MPs from the different political parties. Although on this occasion we did not win, the girls were a huge credit to the school and their families. Since we began the project in November, they have gained so much from the experience, not just about working as a team, but researching the issues they faced, overcoming barriers and networking with experts in their field. They have all made us incredibly Proud to be Perton.

OTHER NEWS

Staffordshire County Council Children's and Families Services have provided slow cookers free of charge for families whose child qualifies for free school meals. Please contact Mrs Shelley if you would like one. They will be issued on a first come, first served basis.

ANTI-BULLYING: RECOGNISING UNHEALTHY FRIENDSHIPS



Adolescence can be a turbulent time for any child, as it is a time when they have hormones racing around their bodies, they are trying to work out their place in the world and they are trying to fit in with their peers. Stable friendships are very important at this age.

It can also be a time when unhealthy or 'toxic' friendships become an issue. Unhealthy friendships involve one or both of the people involved treating the other badly. This might include gossiping about them behind their back, putting them down in front of others, or manipulating and controlling them in some way.

It is important to help your child understand the difference between healthy and unhealthy friendships and how this can impact their emotions and wellbeing. If you feel that your child is in an unhealthy friendship at school, please let us know.