

SEAL SCHOOL PRAYER LETTER Autumn 10



THINGS TO PRAY FOR

IN SCHOOL Please pray for:

- The children in Ladybirds as they settle into school and begin their adventure of learning
- The children who have joined the school in other years
- The KS2 trip to the British Museum in October
- Parents who are selecting secondary schools at the moment
- Children who are anxious about 11+ test results
- Families who are struggling financially
- · For those who are caring for members of their family who are sick
- Our harvest celebrations
- For the children who are being fed at school, in many countries, by 'Mary's Meals' our summer charity
- Those who lead our school staff and Governors
- For continued growth in links between the church and school

OUT OF SCHOOL

- Seal village that it will thrive as a caring and vibrant community
- Local organisations and clubs Cubs and Beavers, Seal Tiddlers,
 Over-60's and the British Legion...
- Seal's businesses, especially in this time of economic difficulty.
- Those who make decisions that affect our community, especially our Parish Council.
- Those who feel lonely or uncared for in our community, that we might have our eyes open to them.

HOW TO USE THIS LEAFLET

- Many people like to pray. They pray in different ways: in words, in silence, and in action.
- They pray in different places: at home, outside in some peaceful spot, or in a sacred building.
- They understand prayer in different ways, and may call the one to whom they pray by different names.
- This prayer letter is for you to use however you would like to as a way of supporting Seal school and those who are part of its community, whether you are a Christian or of another faith, or think of yourself as "spiritual, but not religious". You could just sit quietly and think about the concerns on the other side of this sheet. You might like to light a candle as a symbol of your prayer (please take care when doing this!) You could use your own words or words from your faith tradition to help you pray. It's up to you.

ASKING FOR PRAYER

- We're happy to include requests for prayer in this leaflet for anything which affects members of our school community.
- If there is a particular need you would like prayer for, or something you would like to give thanks for, please let me know, by phone, letter, email or in person (contact details below)
- We do need to be very careful to respect confidentiality when
 praying for individuals through this letter, though. If prayer has
 been asked for an individual I will use an initial only to refer to
 them so that they can't be identified.

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MESSY CHURCH for Harvest



Sunday Sept 26th 4 - 5.30pm Seal Church Hall

Messy what...?

- Activities, crafts, cake, and a little bit of worship...
- For all ages

No unaccompanied children please as we aren't set up to cater for them.

Seal Church Harvest Festival Oct 3rd

10 am Thanksgiving Communion service,11.30 Harvest "Bring and Share" brunch

6.30pm Harvest Choral Evensong with special music

from the choir.

Seal School Harvest Festival in church Tues 5th Oct 1.30pm

Coming soon at Seal Church...

KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOURS Thursday Sept 30th 7.30pm

There will be another "Know your Neighbours" meeting in Seal church hall on Thursday Sept 30th. For those who haven't been to one before, this is a chance to meet others in Seal, and hear about what is going on in the community and get involved in community life – why not bring someone who lives near you as well? Drinks and nibbles will be available.

ALL SOULS' SERVICE Sunday October 31st 6.30 pm

A special service to remember and give thanks for all those we loved who have died. Hymns, readings and prayers, with a chance to light a candle in memory of anyone who is special to you.

I'll also be reading the names of those we are remembering in our prayers, so if you would like me to remember someone by name in this way please let me know in advance. Either sign the list in church, email me at priest@sealpeterandpaul.com, or ring on 01732 762955

DO YOU LIKE TO SING?

Seal Church Junior Choir is looking for new recruits to join our thriving group of singers (children, not mice!)

Children from about 7 years upwards are welcome.

Juniors practice on Wednesday evenings from 7 – 8pm in church. The choir is led by our choirmaster, Dan

Eaton, who is very friendly as well as being brilliant at teaching people to sing! The adult members of the choir join us from 7.30 pm.

You don't need to have musical experience to join us – anyone is welcome and you can learn as you go along. The choir sings at the service on Sunday mornings and at other special events as well, but if you can't make every Sunday you are still welcome to come along when you can. There are regular outings and fun activities to join in with too, so it's not all work! It's a great way of having fun as well as learning about music, and it helps you develop self-confidence too!

Adults are also welcome to join the choir – why not come along and have a go?

For more details, contact Revd Anne Le Bas (contact details above)