





"A Christ-centred school with a child-centred curriculum through wisdom and love"

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Thank you so much to the staff, parents and pupils for all the support during our OFSTED inspection. It is a very intense process for all concerned but thorough and rigorous, as you would expect, and once we receive the report we will announce the outcomes to the school community. Thank you for such positive responses on our Parent View – your support means so much!

Meet the Teacher – Thank you to everyone that came to 'Meet the Teacher'. If you could not attend then please find the PowerPoints for each class on our website under classes. If you have, any further questions then please do contact the teacher.

Harvest Eucharist – We welcomed Fr Paul on Friday to conduct our Harvest Eucharist. We were blessed with such a generous array of gifts and the children sang to say thank you. If you donated a gift then 'Thank You'.



'Yellow' Photos – Individuals photos were taken on Tuesday this week and you will be able to order your photos online as before, there is a "Family 25% discount" for multi children purchases. This year we will also be having Sibling photos taken in the Spring Term, which parents will be able to purchase using 'Yellow's' Sibling Online Booking Form. Your child will come home with their proof photograph as soon as we receive them.

Responsibilities – We love to give the children some responsibilities. Last week we elected our School Council and Eco Council.

| Class | Eco Council | School Council | | |
|--------------|-------------|----------------------|--|--|
| UK | Teddy M | Ava M | | |
| Thailand | Leah | Roman | | |
| Italy | Hettie | Olivia Neriah | | |
| India | Tommy | Sohayb Flora | | |
| | | Finley | | |
| NZ | Peter | Ella Lennie | | |
| Ireland | Finnley | Dale Isobel | | |
| USA | Cameron | Sienna Rex E | | |
| Sierra Leone | Eric K | Immie W Freddie B | | |
| Mexico | Olivia | Dexter Hannah | | |
| South Africa | Scarlett | Dixie William | | |
| Japan | Holly | James Freddie | | |

Vine leaves

- Livia H saw some year 3 children struggling to learn how to use the long skipping rope so, without prompting, she went over and showed them how it worked and how they could play together so is awarded a vine leaf for friendship.
- Katie-May and Sienna saw a child upset in the cloakroom because he couldn't find his coat so they helped him look for it and then gather the rest of his belongings together to go home so they receive one for love and kindness.
- Jessica L for your kindness and thoughtfulness towards others.
- Ethan M for perseverance and always trying your best in such a humble way.
- Ben for his no-fuss approach to everything.
- Lottie for trying very hard in all her learning and making an effort to build her relationship with her new teacher.
- Arlo for taking responsibility for tidying up even when it is not his mess how kind is that?!
- Edward for his positive attitude when asked to take a new direction in his learning.
- Alfie in Italy has shown care and attention to others in his class and showing thankfulness.
- **Tommy M**, every lunchtime he helps put the equipment away and takes the bin back to stay outside. He does this without being asked to so is rewarded for humility.
- Josie B for making such an effort to settle in to St Mary's and showing perseverance.
- **Dilan D** for always looking after others and being kind.
- **Deborah A** for the kindness she has shown to a boy in class.
- Elba S for helpfulness as she is ensuring that she is helping in class all of the time.
- Caleb L and Ruben S both get a vine leaf for being humility and giving up their time to help with laptops.

Chocolate Rocks in Year 3 – In Science Year 3 have been learning about sedimentary, igneous and metaphoric rocks through chocolate – you cannot get much more memorable than this!



Evacuee Day – South Africa, Japan and Mexico used our village to think about life in Pulborough during WW2 and the experience of an evacuee. They used their knowledge of evacuees and visited the station, the war graves and the WW2 pillbox out by Park Mount – imagine seeing spitfires fly over the Downs on the way to London! Some great learning here – if your child has not read "Goodnight Mr Tom" then please get them a copy!



Reflection - (66) Reflection 21 - Love for our planet - YouTube

Reception Baseline Assessment –Baseline assessments have now started. IF you want to know more then click on the link. <u>Information for parents: reception baseline assessment</u>

Nut Free School – We are a 'Nut Free' school. Please ensure that no nuts of any form are brought in to school (this includes Nutella, sesame seeds, fruit bars with nuts or humus)



Reading – Please ensure you read with your child and to your child. There is nothing better than sharing stories with your child and using picture books in EYFS/Y1 and Y2 and then reading chapter books in KS2. Children will only be able to access vocabulary with high quality books so please cuddle up with a book as much as you can!

Harvest Fayre – A great array of scarecrows turned out at the Harvest Fayre and we loved running a chocolate and bottle tombola. Thank you to everyone who supported the event and we raised **£890.00** for our school and our children. Thank you to the PTA for their time and effort!











Fire Service – Thank you to the Fire Service for talking to EYFS, Y2 and Y5 pupils about keeping safe. This is always an important part of our personal development curriculum.







St Mary's Church – The children's artwork has been on display at the church. This is a great opportunity to display the children's work.



Scarecrow competition



















Holly A (SA) Won 2nd place for her Scarecrow and best young handler with her dog, Murphy **Josh Seigal** – A real life Poet! Thank you so much to Josh who visited us. He was able to inspire the children with his love of poetry. With National Poetry Day next week, we will be looking at poetry more and developing our poetry spine with the children.

Sussex Green living – Reminder that the Tesco tokens will enable us to host some great learning activities alongside West Sussex Green Living. So please place your blue token in the box at any of the local TESCO stores.



Celebration Assemblies –

*Thailand and UK will start our class assemblies in the spring term.

New academic year 2022 - 2023

| Tuesday 4th October | 3.30pm - Sex and Relationships unit for Y6 parents only (Zoom link via Google Classroom) |
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| Wed 5 th October | Nasal Sprays – please fill in the consent form from the link in your NHS letter |
| Thur 6 th Oct | National Poetry Day – ask the children about poetry when they come home! |
| Fri 7 th Oct | Celebration assembly for USA at 9am |
| Tues 11 th Oct | Six week in meeting for EYFS parents at 9.15am |
| Thur 13 th Oct | PTA AGM 3.30pm – Please come and support the PTA |
| Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th October | Bikeability for Y6 – spare clothes and waterproofs please |
| Thur 13 th October | PTA AGM at 3.30pm |
| Fri 21 st October | INSET Day |
| Mon 24 th – Fri 28 th October | HALF TERM week |

NEW CHILDREN STARTING AT ST MARY'S OPEN MORNINGS

We are holding two open mornings and two open afternoon as below:

- Thursday 13th October 9.30am 11.30am
- Thursday 20th October 1.15pm 2.45pm
- Tuesday 1st November 9.30am 11.30am
- Tuesday 8th November 1.15pm 2.45pm

Please call the office to advise us if you would like to attend.



Sussex Athletics - Cross Country - https://www.sussexathletics.net/cross-country-relays/



Reaching Families – This is a great place to find support if you have a child with some additional needs.

| | Autumn 2022 (Ist half-term) | | |
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| SEPTEMBER | | | |
| Making Sense of Masking | Thur 8th | 7.30 pm | via Zoom |
| Making Sense of Disability Living Allowance | Tues 13th | 10.30 am | via Zoom |
| Making Sense of Adult Life - Supporting Adolescents | Weds 14th | 7.30 pm | via Zoom |
| Understanding ADHD | Thur 15th | 10.30 am | via Zoom |
| Making Sense of Meetings and Paperwork | Thur 22nd | 7.30 pm | via Zoom |
| Making Sense of Anxiety in Adolescence | Mon 26th | 7.30 pm | via Zoom |
| Understanding Demand Avoidance | Tues 27th | 10.30 am | via Zoom |
| An Introduction to Makaton | Weds 28th | 7.30 pm | via Zoom |
| OCTOBER | | | |
| Making Sense of SEN Support in School | Thur 6th | 7.30 pm | via Zoom |
| Understanding Autism | Fri 7th | 10.30 am | via Zoom |
| Handling Stress and Building Your Own Resilience | Tues 11th | 9,45am | Bognor Regis |
| Making Sense of Challenging Behaviour (2-11 years) | Thur 13th | 10.30 am | via Zoom |
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| www.reachingfamilies.org | uk | 9 | 2 |
| l of our workshops are free of charge, to book a pla ww.eventbrite.co.uk/o/reaching-families-82617240 | ice please visit | | |

The KidstriUK Billingshurst Aquathlon







VENUE: Weald School/ Leisure

Centre, Station Road, Billingshurst, RH14 9RY. START TIME:

Registration from 0900hrs (individual arrivals), Start time for the Youth race is 1015hrs, race order decending in age groups Event is 'Permitted' by British Triathlon and will be run under the event rules and protections.

ENTRY FEE:

Novice/ Tristart £15.00, /Tristar/Youth £20.00, The Child Day Membership is ADDITIONAL to the entry fee British Triathlon Day Licences £1.00

All competitors must be members of British Triathlon for the duration of the race.

AWARDS:

Trophies for first 3 male and female in each of the British Triathlon Categories, which are TriStart, Tristar 1, 2, 3, & Youth

EVENT TIMING:

Using manual timing so the race numbers must be visable on the front of the competitor. The Swim is in an indoor heated pool, the run is laps around a fully visible course.

PLUS:

As with previous years we will be having an Under 7yrs dash after all competitors have finished, no prizes or medals, a bit of fun and great to watch.

DISTANCES:







Lodge Hill Family Fun Day (for SEN young people & their families) Sunday 30th October 2022 Lodge Hill, Pulborough RH20 1LZ



ACTIVITIES :Will Include:

Sno-Tubing - Archery- Tunnelling - Abseiling - Gladiator Challenge

& Additional Non-bookable Activities

9.30am arrival for 10am start-finish 2.30pm

- All young people will be allocated 4 out of the 5 activities on offer –Families will be allocated to a
 group and will remain with that group for duration of activities. closing date: Monday 24th October
 2022. COMPLETED AND SIGNED MEDIA CONSENT FORMS TO BE SUBMITTED ON ARRIVAL.
- Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.
- Each day will cost £6 per person
- 18 25 year olds can attend at £6 per participant and £6 per parent/carer
- Please bring own picnic/refreshments Tea and coffee will be provided
- Please make us aware of any dietary requirements
- Sorry, no dogs allowed (except assistant dogs)
- Please inform us of any disabilities or additional needs at the time of booking
- Children and those with a disability MUST be accompanied by an adult at all times
- Please wear clothing appropriate for the weather and outdoor activities
- To book a place please email wsxbookings@aspens.org.uk*** PLEASE LET US KNOW IF CHANGING FACILITIES ARE REQUIRED ***

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