St Mary's C of E (Aided) Primary School





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

Telephone: 01798 872007

WB 23rd May 2022

Thank you for all the support over this last half term. We are so proud of the children and staff of St Mary's and the effort that they give to all that they do.



Jubilee celebrations – The Queen's jubilee has been celebrated today all the way through the school and it was great to see the children in red, white and blue. We have had the opportunity to talk about The Queen, her Platinum Jubilee and British Values. Please see the photo page at the end of the newsletter.

Silver Sports Award - We are also celebrating a Silver Sports Games Award for all the school's effort in PE and physical activity. We have had so many children out at competitions over the last two terms and the effort of the children and Mrs Gowland, Mrs Burbidge and Mrs Treadwell has been recognised. Well done to everyone.

Bottle tops – We have started our piece of artwork for the Jubilee and it is taking shape, thank you to everyone who has donated bottle tops. We do need more red bottle tops to finish the art. If you have any then please send them in.

Art - Jubilee projects across the school













Trustees for our PTA – we are looking for trustees to help run the PTA. The PTA is vital to ensure that the children get the extra bits to enrich their education.

Why are you looking for trustees? Friends of St Mary's CofE (aided) Primary School Pulborough, (the PTA) is run as a registered charity. This requires a board of trustees to oversee our work as a charity. Several of our existing trustees are reaching the end of their terms over the next year and we are looking for some new trustees.

What does being a trustee involve? Being a trustee means using your skills and experience (and learning new ones) to support the charity in achieving its two aims of 1) improving relationships between staff and parents; and 2) providing facilities and equipment to support the school and advance the education of our children. What we do enables makes a massive difference.

As a trustee, along with your co-trustees you are responsible for ensuring that PTA is being run and managed responsibly, reasonably and honestly; events, fundraising and the resulting purchases are aligned with the purposes of the charity and the law; and that the charity remains accountable and transparent

The charity commission sets out 6 main duties of a trustee needed to address these points and more details can be found at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/charity-trustee-whats-involved#about-charity-trustees.

What time do I need to commit? As a trustee, you will be expected to attend four trustee meetings a year, where the finances, events and running of the charity are discussed. In addition, trustees take on responsibility between meetings for one or more areas of our work such as: ensuring our policies are reviewed and updated on a regular basis; finances are managed appropriately; or health and safety and necessary licences are in place for events. And of course, we provide encouragement and support to the Events Committee who run the various events throughout the year.

Who can become a trustee? As long as you are over 18, a parent/carer of a child at the school or a member of staff and not disqualified by the charity commission from being a trustee then you can become a trustee. Whether you have previous experience or want to learn and gain that experience then we would love to hear from you.

If you want to know more or have an informal chat then please let the school office know and they will arrange a chat with our current chair, Steve Leach.

Vocabulary – Peter (India) and Bea (India) has shown a real 'WHOOSH!' on our vocabulary display – well done to these Year 2 children who are shooting off already.

Our reflection time – This week's reflection – Truthfulness <u>https://youtu.be/17CdqwzFCOU</u>

School Development – The staff took part in Music professional development, this involved learning how to use Garage Band app and the staff explored skills and were exploring the vocabulary needed for progression of skills for the children from EYFS through to Y6.

St Mary's Church – St Mary's Parish Church, the United Reformed Church and Pulborough Brooks Baptist Church are holding a joint outdoor service to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen on Sunday 5th June at 6pm on the Glebe Field. All are welcome! Bring a chair or blanket. **Sports** Days – Due to the trim trail going in we are going to be short of space for sports days so we are arranging smaller events.

EYFS will be on Tuesday 14th June at 9.30am.

Thailand, Italy and India will be on Tuesday 14th June at 1.15pm.

Mexico, China, SA and Japan on Thursday 16th June at 1.15pm.

NZ, Ireland, USA and SL on Friday 17th June at 1.15pm.



We are allowing two adults to come and support the children on their sports day. Please bring your own refreshments. The children will need a coloured T-shirt for their team colour and a water bottle. If you are not sure about the colour team then please contact their class teacher.



Jessica L (SA) - for your phenomenal efforts with homework; you always go above and beyond and your commitment towards your learning is exceptional.

Ted (Ita) for perseverance as he always does this best and never gives up on anything.

Lucy C (Ind) - always trustworthy and always kind.

Arlo S (Ind) - a great role model full of courage and hope.

Martha (SL) showing kindness and friendship by supporting other children in the class with their maths. She is always a great role model in class

Dilan (Ita) for his trustworthiness. You always do your best and help with things.

Polly B (SA) - for the amazing creativity you have shown in our Jubilee Art project this week - you really have excelled!

Freya L (SA)- for the thoughtfulness that you showed in supporting a classmate during our

Learning – Well done to Year 4 on your Art display as you have explored skills and then applied your skills to the final examples.





Writing – We have seen some amazing first drafts in Year 5 with their writing and we are looking forward to the final presentation and write up.



Art in India class – the children have been looking at dinosaur eyes and looking at shades of colour and their sketching.







Year 2 and Year 3 – Thank you to Mr Ortiz who has started off Year 2 and Year 3 playing the recorder for music enrichment. The children will have the opportunity to learn musical notation, duration of notes and look at compositions and playing together. This is a great opportunity.



Science – Great active and memorable learning with Year 4 making the digestive system using tights and the consuming bananas and crackers, adding water as saliva, then vinegar as acid in our stomachs and then showing the food entering the small intestine and the journey before being excreted from the body. The children showed their true scientist!







Reading Superstars – Well done to Charlie K (SA), Daniel P (Ire), James McN (Chi), William G (SA) and Luke T (SA) who are showing the top five reading ages and continue to use Accelerated Reader to show their progress. Keep it up!

Numbots – Well done to Daisy (Ind), Nathan (USA), Demir (Tha), Isobel (Ind) and Skye (USA) who are top of the leaderboard at this time. Superb effort! We would love to see more children using this to improve their times tables.

Parking – Please be considerate when you are parking for drop off and collection. A reminder that the sports and social club car park can be used for parking and then you can just stroll over. If anyone has any worries about parking then please report it to <u>www.operationcrackdown.co.uk</u> as this will alert the parking wardens to come and visit.

Online Safety – It has be bought to our attention that some of our younger students are playing the game "Huggy-Wuggy" on YouTube. It has an age rating of 12 in the UK and 13 in the US and is a horror game. Please ensure your child is not accessing this.

Queen's Green Canopy – We are delighted to be participating in The Queen's Green Canopy which is a unique tree planning initiative to mark Her Majesties Platinum Jubilee in 2022. Today we planted a tree donated by RHS Wisley and we are very grateful.

Things coming up

- Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June HALF TERM
- Week commencing 6th June Phonics screening in Y1 and Y4 Multiplication Check
- **9**th **June** Whole Class photographs please ensure full school uniform and school shoes (no trainers)
- Friday 10th June to Sunday 12th June Cobnor Year 5 Residential
- 13th June Parents evening slots open
- Tuesday 14th June 9.30am EYFS Sports Day coloured T shirt needed
- Tuesday 14th June 1.15pm Sports Day Coloured T shirt needed
- Thursday 16th June Sussex Day
- Thursday 16th June Year 5/6 Sports Day at 1.15pm coloured T shirt needed
- Friday 17th June Year 3 and 4 Sports Day at 1.15pm coloured T shirt needed

*Thailand assembly moved from 10th June to 17th June

Enjoy half term and we look forward to the rest of the summer term and the exciting challenges we have ahead. Thank you for your ongoing support as we work together for the children at St Mary's.



























