

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

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WB 9th May 2022

The Spectrum – Our freestyle relay team were the only State School in their regional final at Spectrum and although they didn't finish in qualifying position for the English Schools Finals, they knocked 3 seconds off their previous PB. Charlie, Luke, Molly and William, worked as a team and have now set the standards for swimmers coming through St Mary's. Phenomenal team effort and we couldn't be prouder!

Year 6 SATs – Thank you Mrs Russell, Mrs Castle, Mrs Bryan and Mrs Hayes who have run Breakfast Club this week and thank you to Miss Callender and Miss Turner who have overseen SATS this week. It was lovely to see the message that the teachers sent to all Y6 last week that said about the homework.



My message to Year 6 is - We know that SATs doesn't show the talent that our Y6 have, it doesn't show the children who speak languages or love to draw and paint, they don't know that you can play a musical instrument or participate in different sports and it doesn't show who is kind, empathetic and a best friend. It doesn't show your hopes and aspirations and they don't know the perseverance and resilience you have shown towards learning in the last two years. We know these things about you and we are proud of all of your achievements and always will be – no one has ever had to go through what you have and we know that you are unique and special in every way – just keep being you!

Jubilee celebrations – We will be celebrating the Queen's Jubilee on Friday 27th May.

We will be having a street party. We would like the children to dress in red/white and blue and they may come with accessories e.g. Crown etc. Each class will be having an art exhibition based around the Queen and artistic styles, as well as learning about the monarchy and other British values. We are running a 'Bake off', in a Jubilee theme, as a competition and we will share more information closer to the time.



Residential reminder for Y6 – We are looking forward to taking some of the Year 6 away next week to Marchants Hill. A reminder that all children must be in school at 9am with their luggage, medical forms, pocket money and packed lunch/water bottle. The coach will be leaving at 2pm – if you have a child going you are welcome to come and wave them off!

Walk to school week - Walk to school week is **16th May** and we would love to hear how many of our pupils are walking to school. The teachers will be asking the pupils to collect data on how we get to school so please make the effort, if you can. We are keen to start the school walking bus again, if anyone feels that they would like to coordinate this then do drop us an email.

Kingfishers and Ladybirds – St Mary's Church would love to invite you and your families to our Kingfishers group, from 3.30 - 4.45pm. Join us for songs, crafts, Bible stories, games and snacks. Our dates for the rest of this term are 19th May, 9th June, 23rd June, 7th July, 21st July - will be a joint Ladybirds and Kingfishers Picnic- time to be arranged.

Please register for your place by contacting Vicky Smith on stmaryschildrenschurch@gmail.com

Ladybirds meet every Thursday from 10 - 11.30am except the 2nd June (bank holiday). This is a drop in session for babies and toddlers and their carers. We have a short story, a craft, some songs, alongside refreshments and a chat in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. We look forward to seeing you!

Bottle tops – We are looking to make a stunning piece of artwork to commemorate the Queen's Jubilee – please could you collect green, red and blue bottle tops and the children can give them to me at the gate or drop off at the side gate for the office. Thank you in anticipation.

Tea and Chat SEND – Thank you for all the parents that came and chatted. If anyone would like a chat with Miss Wilkins please phone for an appointment.

Our reflection time – This week's reflection – Trust https://youtube.com/watch?v=862uOFPIbbA&feature=share **School Development** – This week we focussed on children who have a Special Educational Need and what provision the teachers can put in place to support if there are barriers. The guidance we are using is called Ordinarily Available Inclusive Practice (OAIP) and gives the teachers great strategies for further inclusion when things are a challenge for our young people. If you want to have a look at the document then the link is here https://schools.local-offer.org/send-toolkit/ordinarily-available-inclusive-practice/ **Governors** – Last week we advertised a vacancy for a parent Governor. A letter has come out with more details if you are interested.

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 10am.

Thailand, Italy and India will be on Tuesday 14th June at 1pm.

Mexico, China, SA and Japan on Thursday 16th June at 1pm.

NZ, Ireland, USA and SL on Friday 17th June at 1pm.



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.

Vine leaf – Levi (Chi) for humility – you always put others first and you have talents that we love seeing you develop. Bowie (Ita) and Flora (Ita) for your humility and putting others before yourself. Flynn A (SL) was last in line and insisted the visitor to go first just in case she wanted the last jacket potato. Vine leaf – Jordan – for his humility and for how dedicated he is to his learning – he wants to learn and gives his learning 100% Jessie W (Chi) you show friendship to all around you. Beatrice G (Ind) for friendship as she was so keen to be a friend to a child that was struggling in the class.

Kindness Shield Ryan D (UK)

Thank you for the kindness you show to other members of U.K. You are a cheerful boy and full of enthusiasm for everything you do. Thank you for helping me with so many little jobs around the class. I can rely on you to wash paint pots, wipe surfaces, tidy the book corner and know it is well done. Thank you for being you and being so kind, thoughtful and patent.

Learning -





Class Assemblies Return – For children in the class and the parents during the summer term.

UK - Friday 24th June at 9am Austria – Thursday 16th June at 9am Thailand – Friday 10th June at 9am Italy – Friday 20th May at 9am India - Thursday 7th July at 9am New Zealand – Friday 1st July at 9am Ireland – Friday 15th July at 9am USA - Thursday 30th June at 9am Sierra Leone - Thursday 23rd June at 9am China - Friday 27th May at 9am Mexico - Friday 8th July at 9am SA Leavers Assembly - Wed 20th July 9.30am Japan Leavers Assembly - Wed 20th July 9.30am

Things coming up

- Friday 27th May Street Party for the Jubilee red, white and blue and accessories on this day please.
- Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June HALF TERM
- Friday 10th June to Sunday 12th June Cobnor Year 5 Residential





Reaching Families

Umbrellas Parent Support Group

Summer term 2022

Would you like to connect with other parent carers? If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person with additional needs please join us at one of our local support groups or from the comfort of your own home.

Umbrellas Online

Thursdays, via Zoom

28th April 7.30 pm - 9 pm 5th May 10 am - 11.30 am 12th May 7.30 pm - 9 pm 19th May 10 am - 11.30 am 26th May 7.30 pm - 9 pm 9th June 10 am - 11.30 am 16th June 7.30 pm - 9 pm 23rd June 10 am - 11.30 am 30th June 7.30 pm - 9 pm 7th July 10 cm - 11.30 cm

Billingshurst Umbrellas Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am Billingshurst Community Centre 11th May / 15th June / 13th July

Littlehampton Umbrellas Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am **Creative Heart Community Hub** 3rd May / 7th June / 5th of July

Worthing Umbrellas Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am Durrington Community Centre 26th April / 17th May / 21st June / 12th July



Reaching Families

Training Courses

Summer term 2022

Making Sense of it All Foundation Course

An introduction to SEND and the key issues parents and carers will encounter as their children grow and develop

Bersted Park Community Centre Online via Zoom Billingshurst Community Gentre June 29th / July 6th

May 18th / 25th June Oth / 15th / 22nd

Weds 9.30 am - 2.30 pm Weds 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm Weds 9.30 am - 2.30 pm

Making Sense of Wellbeing

Designed to help parents and carers build resilience, reduce stress and learn relaxation techniques

Workshop Mindfulness Workshop Mindfulness Workshop Worlehop Mindfulness Worlahop Mindfulness Workshop Mindfulness

Active listening Listening to your inner experience Problem solving Finding peace in the storm Postive thinking Relaxation and self-care Mind and body relaxation Managing arosisty Going with life's flow Managing low mood

April 26th May 3rd May 10th May 17th May 24th June 7th June 14th June 21st June 28th July 5th July 12th

All sessions delivered via Zoom - Tuesdays, 7.15 pm - 8.15 pm

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