



# NEWSLETTER

**“A Christ-centred school with a child-centred curriculum through wisdom and love”**

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WB 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022

As we approach the half term break we reflect on the beginning of the term and what a great beginning to the year! Thank you to everyone for the great start to the school year. It is now a chance to have some time with friends and family over the half term break – do enjoy this time!

**Evacuees** - South Africa, Japan and Mexico classes welcomed Mr Flowers and Mrs Allen on Tuesday afternoon. Mr Flowers spoke to the children about his experience of being evacuated from London to North Devon in WW2. Hearing his memories really helped to enrich our learning and was a fantastic way to bring our 'World at War' topic to a close. A huge thank you to Mr Flowers for giving us his time and making a difference to our learning.

**SPLASH** – Splash came and conducted our whole school worship this week on 'enthusiasm'. We were met with great enthusiasm from the presenters and then we met with St Paul from The Bible and we talked about the enthusiasm he had for his life. We then thought about how enthusiasm is infectious and we should use this in our everyday life to spread enthusiasm. I hope to see everyone spreading enthusiasm and love over the next few weeks.

**Andrew Griffiths MP Christmas Card** – Last year we were fortunate enough to gain a runner up prize so we are keen for the children to enter.

For the children who would like to submit an entry, they should follow these simple rules:-

- No words, just a picture
- A flat medium – eg. No cotton wool, glitter or large decorations
- Approximately in a rectangle shape that we can reproduce on a card.

They should save a copy of the picture as a JPEG with their details – for example 'BertieJones/Y5/PulboroughCE' – (this bit is important because it helps my team to manage the huge number of entries). Keep the original artwork somewhere safe in case it is shortlisted for a prize.

Please email the artwork to [christmas@andrewgriffithMP.com](mailto:christmas@andrewgriffithMP.com) by Tuesday 15th November. I am looking forward to seeing the children's pictures and sharing them with residents. I hope the attached poster will be helpful to share with parents.



**Pringle tubes** – Mexico class is asking for Pringles tubes for their DT unit. If you have any then please send them in to school. Many thanks.

**Reflection** –As we conclude the half term we are revisiting the reflections that Vicky Smith has put together. Please do talk about them at home as they are a great link between school and St Mary's church.

1. [\(165\) Reflection 17 - Love - YouTube](#)
2. [\(20\) Reflection 18 - Love - YouTube](#)
3. [\(43\) Reflection 19 - Love! - YouTube](#)
4. [\(53\) Reflection 20 - Love for our families - YouTube](#)
5. [\(66\) Reflection 21 - Love for our planet - YouTube](#)
6. [\(86\) Reflection 22 - Love is Patient - YouTube](#)
7. [\(108\) Reflection 23 - Loving ourselves - YouTube](#)

**Reading** – As we start the beginning of the year, we would like to congratulate our Top 10 readers. Reading has such a huge impact on progress in the curriculum. Well done to **Freddie G, James McN, Daniel P, Martha B, Alfie F, Harriet J, Jessie W, Elani du P, Anna E and April A.**

**EYFS** – Early Years have settled so beautifully in to life at St Mary's and this week they have been learning about their teeth and how to look after them and been focussing on the letters in satpin. Look at the children's proud faces!



**Half term homework** – In line with our School Improvement Plan, we are encouraging writing for extended periods to develop stamina. Over half term, **we would love the children to write us a scary story**. It can be as long as you would like it to be and there will be **50 dojos** on offer for the completion of this. In EYFS and Year 1 it might be a cartoon strip for their story with some sentences underneath and as we move up the school we expect to see a higher standard.

### Vine leaves –

**Toby (Ind)** for compassion towards others when they are sad.

**Poppy (Mex)** for compassion towards others – what a great friend to have!

**Minnie (Mex)** for her humility as she always puts others before herself.

**Miller (Ind)** for friendship and generosity – a kind and thoughtful young lady.

**Ted (Ind)** for his responsible attitude to learning – a true role model.

**Kian W (SA)** for showing perseverance in your learning this half term and helping others with multiplication strategies in Maths.

**Taya E (SA)** for being such a kind, caring and hardworking member of South Africa Class.

**Jessie W (SA)** for your determination - setting yourself high standards in all that you do and producing a fantastic standard of learning in all curriculum areas

**Noah (SL)** for showing kindness to other children when they found their work difficult by offering to help and show them how to do it.

**Rosa (SL)** for perseverance in maths, she has kept on going even when she found it really hard and she is starting to grasp formal methods of column subtraction and addition with exchanges.

**Daniel (SL)** for humility and being a very good role model.

**Ryan (Ita)** and **Vinnie (Ita)** class for politeness.

**Lost** – If you have lost a lovely sparkly watch, please contact the office. It was found on the way to school.

**Year 3 Ireland & New Zealand class trip to Arundel Wetlands** – Well done to New Zealand and Ireland class for their successful trip to The Wetlands. A great day learning about migration of birds, their habitats, their diet and exploring The Wetlands. The public commented on the exemplary behaviour of the children and we could not be prouder.



**NEW CHILDREN STARTING AT ST MARY'S - OPEN SESSIONS** - We welcomed many parents on Thursday to look around St Mary's and we conducted tours to show off our learning environment. We are holding more events so please encourage parents of three and four year olds to come and look around:

- **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 9.30am – 11.30am**
- **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 1.15pm – 2.45pm**



**Football** - The Years 5/6 boys' football team travelled to The Bridge Leisure Centre on Friday afternoon for the first round of matches in the 6-a-side league organised by Horsham Sports Services. It was a tough afternoon for the boys as they came up against very strong opposition losing the first three games without registering a goal. Nicolò A produced a string of excellent saves and Rocco W bravely continued playing after being hit in the face by the ball. Despite a 4-2 defeat in their final game against Southwater, the two goals scored by **Joseph S** gave the boys a crucial bonus point to keep them off the foot of the table. The boys showed great character, humour throughout the afternoon, and will come back in November for the final round of matches determined to climb up the table. Well done to everyone who played - **Kian W, William K, Freddie G, Rocco W, Nicolò A, Leo D, Joseph S.**



**Early Years** - We have marked the occasion of the Early Years children starting school. Watch out for this in the County Times over the next few weeks.



## Dates for the year 2022 - 2023

Fri 21st October

Mon 24th – Fri 28th October

Thursday 3rd November

Friday 4th November

Tue 8th Nov

Thur 10th Nov

Fri 11th Nov

Sat 12th Nov

Mon 14th Nov

Tue 15th Nov

Thur 17th Nov

Fri 18th Nov

Fri 25th Nov

Wed 30th Nov

Fri 2nd Dec

Thurs 8th Dec

Tues 13th Dec

Fri 16th Dec

### INSET Day

### HALF TERM week

Italy celebration assembly 9am

Sierra Leone celebration assembly 9am

Parents Evening - 3.30pm- 6pm School Cloud

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**SA** Celebration Assembly 9am

Fireworks PTA 5.45pm – 7.30pm

Fri 18th Nov – Anti-bullying week

Book look in classrooms **EYFS/KS1**

Book look in classrooms **KS2**

**Japan** Celebration assembly 9am

**Ireland** celebration assembly 9am

**USA** - Clarinet assembly (time TBC)

**NZ** Celebration assembly 9am

**UK and Thailand** production 2pm and 5pm – tickets to go on sale in November.

**India and Italy** production (Bethlehem Bake-off) 2pm and 5pm – tickets to go on sale in November.

**Last day of term and Christmas Jumper day for all**

## Achievements

### **Dexter (SA)**

Completed his karate grading this weekend and is now a green belt. He is so proud of himself and rightly so!



### **Isobel H (Ire)**

For passing level 3 in swimming. She has worked hard to achieve this with great determination.



### **Freddie B (SL)**

Man of the Match

### **Ben G (Thai)**

Man of the Match at his football session on Sunday



### **Ruben S (Jap)**

Stage 7 swimming.

### **Ronnie H (Ind)**

Stage 3 Swimming.

### **Bowie W-V (Ind)**

Stage 3 Swimming

### **Hadlee C (USA)**

Completed rugby tournament

### **Zac W (UK)**

Green belt in karate

### **Max H (NZ)**

Stage 3 Swimming

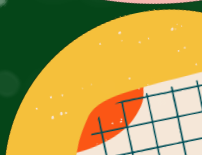
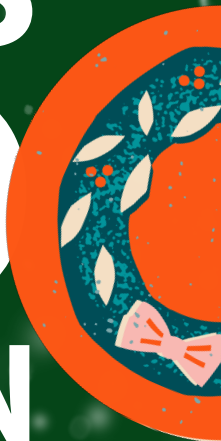
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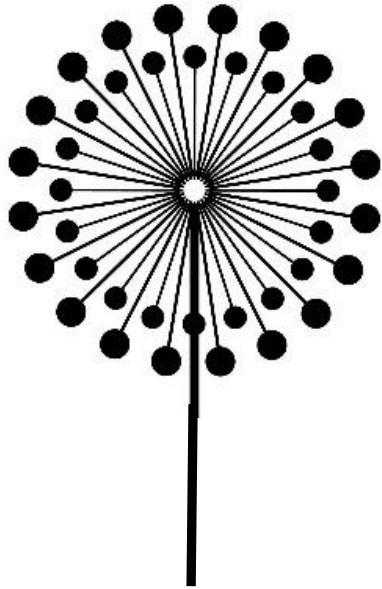
# CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Arundel & South Downs MP, Andrew Griffith, is inviting children under 12 to send their designs to [christmas@andrewgriffithmp.com](mailto:christmas@andrewgriffithmp.com) with a **closing date of Tuesday 15th November**

The winning card will be sent to more than 1,000 people, **with prizes for the winner and runners up!**

Scan this code to find out more!





# *Flourish*

## *in Fittleworth*

After 30 months, your favourite village craft fayre, promoting local crafters is back...

Please join us on: Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022

3pm – 5:30 pm

Fittleworth Village Hall

For more enquiries or to book a table, please contact Kate H Bryant on:

01798 865593 / 07758 364067 or [katefromtheashes@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:katefromtheashes@yahoo.co.uk) or via the

*Flourish in Fittleworth* Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/flourishinfittleworth/](http://www.facebook.com/flourishinfittleworth/)





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activities for all ages, combining different  
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Suitable clothing  
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