



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



NEWSLETTER

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

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Thank you to the parents and the children for the huge array of words and book costumes that came in to school today. What a fabulous talking point it has been for us all. It is really important that parents know what their children are learning. Please do check in with the teachers if you are not sure.

Kindness Award – Congratulations to **Rowan (Mex)** who has been awarded the kindness award. The entry says ‘You are a true ambassador for our school. You are so kind, Caring and compassionate and you amaze us with the humility that you show. You keep a close eye on your friends and you are always so encouraging towards them. What a great support you are – keep being you!’

Tea and Chat with SEND Parent forum – it was lovely to see so many parents at the tea and chat. We want to have open conversations with parents about their concerns for their children and we hope to host another one in due course. Thank you to Miss Wilkins for organising this. If you have concerns then we can signpost parents to organisations that can help and support and look at provision that we offer in school. SENDIAS and IPSEA team can be accessed via the internet as well. **Please see the attached flyer.**



African Drumming - What a fantastic superstarter for the 'Exploring Africa' topic! The children learnt so much about African drumming and were able to compose music together. This was a great superstarter - thank you to Miss Callender for giving the children this opportunity.



Internet Safety – There is a Virgin Cyber Security Quiz on the website under 'For Parents/Carers - Internet Safety 2023'. Please do have a look to find out what you should know to keep your child safe on line!

History Wall Art – The wall art is up in school and shows the chronology of World and British history. It also references in Pulborough and other historical topics that we cover in our curriculum. One pupil said, ‘Wow that is amazing’ and one pupil said ‘I can learn so much more’. We know this will have an impact on remembering more!



Weald Book Award – The children who have been participating in this year’s Weald Book Award attended the eagerly anticipated Finals Evening on Tuesday. The Weald Book Award is a project for some of our Year 6 readers and it involves other primary schools in the locality. During the evening, the children had the opportunity to meet one of the authors, Clare Weze, in person, and interact with four of the other authors via Zoom. Each author gave a short presentation followed by a question and answer session.

Since commencing the project in October, the children have been participating in a number of directed tasks, based on their reading material. We are very proud of the high quality competition entries that they produced. The following children were announced as winners, receiving a certificate and prize bag for their efforts:

James – Book Character; William – Front Cover Design; Ruben – Photo; Scarlett R – Writing; Harriet – Letter

We were excited to learn that ‘The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh’ by Helen Rutter was voted as this year’s overall winner; this title was a firm favourite amongst our St Mary’s readers.

Congratulations to the following children for their commitment to the project throughout the year:

South Africa: William, Frankie, April, Holly A, Scarlett E, Scarlett R

Japan: Harriet, Holly D, James, Alfie, Ruben, Freddie



Container – A strange request but the school are looking for a 20ft container to go on the field for storage. If anyone has any contacts that might be able to help then please do get in contact or email.

head@stmarysprimarypulborough.co.uk

Cost of living – There is a drop in in Horsham for families that are struggling with the increase in the cost of living. Please see the flyer attached.

World Book Day -



Vine leaves – **Vitaliik (USA)** for courage as he has joined the school from a different country and has learnt so much and shown us that so much can be achieved. **Theo (Ire)** for his perseverance – he is a determined learner and this is coming across in all areas of the curriculum. **Daniel (Ire)** for friendship as you came alongside someone who needed a friend. **Kian W (SA)** for creativity as every curriculum area shows improvement and the self-belief that you have in yourself is making a difference now. **Oscar G (Ire)** for friendship as you offer support to so many in different situations and your commitment to your friends is unfailing. **Bea (Jap)** for creativity as her art work on Rosa Parks was beautiful and for raising awareness of this 'hero'. **Dexter (SA)** for courage as he amazed us with his participation in the Fairtrade assembly. **Marcus (Jap)** for courage as Marcus was brave enough to pose a question at the West Sussex County Council meeting and give his point of view. We are proud of him for doing this. **Josie B (Ind)** for courage because she has recently stepped out to join breakfast club and has been brilliant. **Audrey (SA)** for her resilience as she is taking on new challenges with such confidence and has made many new friendship – she is a joy to have in school. **Eadie CC (Ind)** for compassion because she is a caring and thoughtful friend to all. **Theo (Ire)** for peace as he has such a calming influence on others and is always there ready to give 100%. **Harper E (Ita)** - for showing kindness and empathy towards another child, and leading by example to help her learn how to make friends. **Arlo H (Ita)** - for showing a consistent positive attitude in all that he is doing this week. **Immy H (Ita)** - for staying focused on her work and supporting others when they need it. **Elani (SA)** - for showing amazing creativity in our English 'breaking news' drama work - you were an exemplary news reporter! **Megan (SA)** for showing huge perseverance and determination with Maths and contributing brilliantly to class discussions. **Callie (Tha)** for creativity as she comes in to school most mornings with something she has created for me. A great delight always! **Nelly W (UK)** for kindness as she is the most helpful person and **Louis A (UK)** for truthfulness as he is always choosing to do the right thing.



Sibling photos – Sibling photographs took place this week and will be coming home in the next few weeks – having looked at some of them I know that parents will be pleased. We will send them home once we receive the proofs from Yellow.

Reflection – [Compassion 2 - YouTube](#)

Learning Year 3 taco tasting – In DT Y3 have been testing tacos and the associated ingredients ready for their DT and them designing and making their own.



Football – Friday saw the beginning of the Horsham Sports Services 7-a-side football tournaments at Tanbridge House. After a difficult campaign in the league back in the Autumn term, the Year 6 boys were determined to do better this time round. An entertaining opening 0-0 draw against Castlewood had to be decided by a footgolf challenge. **Nicolo A** confidently stepped up and duly delivered the boys' first victory of the afternoon. Next up was eventual runners-up Heron Way. The boys battled hard against a very strong opponent and were only narrowly defeated 2-1, a real sign of the progress they have made as a team. This resulted in the boys advancing to the second tier where their first opponents were St Mary's Horsham. A dominant and exciting display of attacking football saw the boys win 4-0 with two goals from **Freddie G** and one apiece for **Kian W** and **Tyler C**. Tiredness crept in for the final game against a very strong Southwater side who emerged victorious with a 3-0 win. The boys finished the tournament in 6th place overall out of 14 teams, which is the highest placed finish for a St Mary's team at Tanbridge House. Very well done to all of the squad - **Kian W (c), William K, Freddie G, Nicolo A, Rocco W, Tyler C, Levi E** and **Reg H**.

Fairtrade Fortnight – We launched Fairtrade Fortnight with a whole school worship on Monday. The Fairtrade Prefects, **Freya, Darcey, Tyler** and **Daria**, introduced this year's theme, which is all about the future of food. They began with a quiz in which the rest of the school were asked to guess which Fairtrade products were being described, based on a series of clues. The prefects then explained the impact that extreme weather conditions and natural disasters, such as flooding, landslides and drought, can have on farmers.

New Zealand Class performed brilliantly in a drama titled 'Thank You for the Chocolate!' This showed the children just how many people are involved in getting the food that they eat to their kitchen table! The cocoa farmer, ship's captain, factory worker, packer, lorry driver and shopkeeper all have vital roles to play in the journey. Finally, children from South Africa Class performed 'The Fairtrade Step,' ending with the question '*What will your step be?*' We encouraged everyone to think about the steps they can take to ensure that the farmers receive a fair price for their hard work.



Sports – Netball – Thank you to Miss Sleat for taking the Netballers to The Weald. They came second against lots of our locality schools and played so well as a team – we are so proud of their achievements.
Freddie, Jordan, Scarlett, April, Brodie and Isla



Peace Posters - The Billingshurst and District Lions are looking forward to working closely with our school again in 2023. Attached are details of our Poster for Peace art competition, which runs during the spring term, with the theme 'What is Peace'. **Please drop them in to the office next week.**



Science Week – Science week is the 13th March and Mrs Farrant is running a photography competition. To enter either send/email in a digital photo to sl@stmarysprimarypulborough.co.uk or bring in a physical photo of signs of spring. **Please make sure your child's name, class and reason why the photo reminds them of spring is on the email or on the back of the photo.** The competition is in two age ranges KS 1 and KS 2. There will be a prize for each key stage. **The closing date is Friday 17th March** when the winners will be announced.

Spring celebration assemblies to showcase learning

These begin at 9am and will last about 20 minutes.

Thur 9th Mar – USA class,
Thur 16th Mar – Japan class,
Thur 23rd Mar – UK class,
Wed 29th Mar – SL class,
Thur 30th Mar – SA class.

Dates for your diary

Friday 3rd March – International Day
Friday 10th March – World of Work Day
Monday 13th March – Science Week (lots of opportunities for the children to develop their science knowledge and skills) See the photography competition.
Wednesday 15th March – Forest School at Two Woods for EYFS pupils
Tuesday 21st March – Cake Sale organised by Year 6 for the Big Top
Friday 17th March – Reports to come home to parents for KS1 and KS2.
Tuesday 21st March – Book look for EYFS and KS1 – 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 23rd March – Book look for KS2 – 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Tuesday 28th March – Parent's Evening 3.30 – 6pm
Wednesday 29th March – Easter Play 2pm for parents of Y4
Thursday 30th March – Parent's Evening 3.30 – 6pm
Friday 31st March – Easter Eggstravaganza – we will look forward to seeing Easter bonnets/hats from the children – prizes for these. Non-school uniform day - £1 donation to the PTA

Residential – We have arranged for a parents meeting for the parents of the children attending the Year 5 & Year 6 Residentials, these will take place on:-

Year 6 Bethany House – Thursday 20th April at 3.30pm

Year 5 Cobnor – Thursday 11th May at 3.30pm



Easter Eggstravaganza - **Friday 31st March** – Dress down day (£1 donation for PTA)

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA – Easter bonnet/hat competition for each class and a playground parade with our bonnets and hats. Please encourage your child to join in.

Chartwells meal choices – Please could we ask that when ordering your child's meal choice that you sit down together and choose their preferred option. We have had a number of children refusing to eat what was ordered for them. As a school, we only receive what you have ordered to reduce food waste.



March Cut off Dates
Thur 2/3 for w/c Mon 13/3
Thur 9/3 for w/c Mon 20/3
Thur 16/3 for w/c Mon 27/3

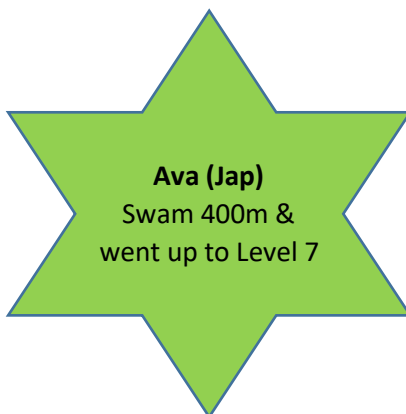
April Cut off Dates
Thur 6/4 for w/c Mon 17/4
Thur 13/4 for w/c Mon 24/4
Thur 20/4 for Tue 2/5
Thur 27/4 for w/c Mon 8/5

Achievements -

Jayden A (NZ)
Completed his
400m swimming
badge



Ava (Jap)
Swam 400m &
went up to Level 7



Ralph D (UK)
for fishing and
catching some
huge fish.



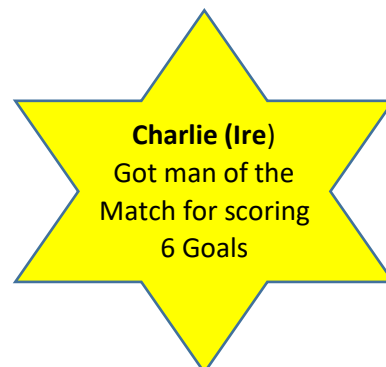
Joseph S (SA)
Got his Yellow belt
in Karate



Lexi H (Ire)
Won an award in
a Dance
competition



Charlie (Ire)
Got man of the
Match for scoring
6 Goals



Saturday
25 March



Teams of
up to 6

Quiz & Curry Night!

Join the fun at James & Josh's Quiz
in aid of their journey to the
World Scout Jamboree in South Korea

At St Mary's CofE (Aided) Primary School,
Link Lane, Pulborough RH20 2AN

Tickets £10

Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30 start

To book, simply email
josh@jamboree.thecryptoid.co.uk
or call 07763 212105

Non-alcoholic drinks and snacks will be available to buy
You're welcome to bring your own alcoholic drinks if wanted!



**Billingshurst & District Lions
&
Jamboree Scouts**



RACE NIGHT
Saturday 18th March

Billingshurst Conference & Community Centre

Doors open at 7pm First Race 7.30pm

Tickets

£15 includes Horse, Jockey and Ploughman's Supper

£20 for winning horse owner & £10 for winning Jockey per race.

**£10 includes Ploughman's Supper and a great evening's
entertainment !**

**Tickets available at Lions Book Shop, Jengers Mead
or contact Sandy Duck 07717822804**

Licensed Bar available plus a great Raffle

Come and join us for a great evening's entertainment.

All proceeds will be shared between:

***The 25th World Scout Jamboree 2023 Korea and
The Billingshurst Boxing Club***

EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Children and young people aged 4 to 16 who are eligible for Benefits-related Free School Meals* can take part in free clubs this Easter Holiday and enjoy a free nutritious meal as part of the scheme.

Visit our website to find the fun activities near you this Easter and book your place

*Check eligibility on the webpage and find information about further support and activities available. Places are limited. Paid-for-places may be available, contact individual clubs for availability.

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West Sussex Parent Carer Forum

Information, support and training for parent carers



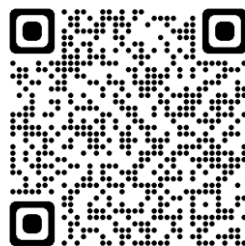
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Behaviour Fact Sheet



The Challenging Behaviour Foundation



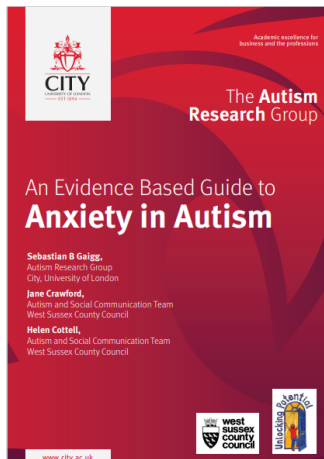


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Newbold Hope



Autism and Social
Communication Team



Unlocking
Potential

You may wish to look at the
ASCT document
Sensory Toolkit
which can be found on their website



Cost of Living Drop-in Sessions

**Swan Walk Shopping Centre
Horsham**

Wednesday 15 March
10am - 4pm

**NO
APPOINTMENT
NEEDED**

**FREE
REFRESHMENTS**

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**Pop in to talk to a friendly
advisor about help with:**

- Money/Debt
- Food
- Heating
- Mental health
- Employment
- Family support



For more information please call **01403 215100**
or visit **[www.horsham.gov.uk/community/
community-drop-in-sessions](http://www.horsham.gov.uk/community/community-drop-in-sessions)**



**Horsham
District
Council**

THREE WEEK MENU

OUR NEW MENU
CHOSEN BY
PARENTS AND
CHILDREN

YOUR
FAVOURITES
AVAILABLE
EVERY DAY



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the school food people

MENU CHECKED




















2023



WEEK 1

W/C: 17/04 08/05 29/05 19/06 10/07 31/07 21/08 11/09
02/10 23/10 13/11 04/12 25/12 15/01 05/02 26/02 18/03
08/04

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| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|--|---|--|--|---|
| HOT SPECIALS | Cheese and Tomato Pizza  | Sausages and Mash Pork and Beef Cocktail Sausages with Mashed Potato and Gravy | Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy | Beef Pasta Bolognese Served with Fusilli Pasta | Fish Fingers Served with Chips and Beans or Salad |
| JACKET POTATO | Chickpea and Vegetable Tikka Masala Served with Wholegrain Rice    | Macaroni Cheese  | Cheese and Vegetable Bake Served with Roast Potatoes  | Vegetarian Meatless Balls Served with Tomato Sauce and Rice   | Vegetarian Burger Served with Chips and Beans or Salad  |
| | Jacket Potato with Cheese  | Jacket Potato with Vegetarian Bolognese   | Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayo   | Jacket Potato with Baked Beans   | Jacket Potato with Cheese  |
| All main meals are served with a side of vegetables or salad. | | | | | |
| DESSERT | Smooth Fruit Yoghurt | Cranberry and Orange Shortbread | Jammy Jack | Pineapple Upside-Down Cake  | Fruity Friday  |

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Water, milk, salad, brown malted bloomer bread & fresh fruit



 Vegetarian
  Oily Fish
  Wholegrain
 Fruity!
  Nutritionist's Choice

WEEK 2

W/C: 24/04 15/05 05/06 26/06 17/07 07/08 28/08 18/09
09/10 30/10 20/11 11/12 01/01 22/01 12/02 04/03 12/03

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MONDAY

Cheese and Tomato Pizza



**Cauliflower Macaroni
Cheese**



**Jacket Potato with
Baked Beans**



TUESDAY

**Chinese Chicken and
Egg Rice**



Cheese and Tomato Pasta



Jacket Potato with Cheese



WEDNESDAY

Roast Ham

Served with Roast Potatoes
and Gravy

Quorn Sausage

Served with Roast Potatoes
and Gravy



**Jacket Potato with
Tuna Mayo**

THURSDAY

Beef Burger in a Bun

Served with Ketchup and Diced
Potatoes

Vegetarian Pasta Bolognese

Served with Fusilli Pasta



**Jacket Potato with
Baked Beans**



FRIDAY

Fish Fingers

Served with Chips and
Beans or Salad

Vegan Dippers

Served with Chips and
Beans or Salad



**Jacket Potato with
Vegetarian Bolognese**



All main meals are served with a side of vegetables or salad.

Banana Marble Sponge



Smooth Fruit Yoghurt

**Apricot
Shortbread**

Jammy Jack

Fruity Friday



AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Water, milk, salad, brown malted
bloomer bread & fresh fruit




















 Vegetarian  Oily Fish  Wholegrain
 Fruity!  Nutritionist's Choice

WEEK 3

W/C: 01/05 22/05 12/06 03/07 24/07 14/08 04/09 25/09
16/10 06/11 27/11 18/12 08/01 29/01 19/02 11/03 01/04

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| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| HOT SPECIALS | Cheese and Tomato Pizza  | Sausages and Mash Pork and Beef Cocktail Sausages with Mashed Potato and Gravy | Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy | Chicken Tikka Masala Served with Rice | Fish Fingers Served with Chips and Beans or Salad |
| JACKET POTATO | Mixed Beany Chilli Served with Rice   | Chinese Vegetable and Egg Rice    | Quorn Sausage Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy  | Macaroni Cheese  | Vegetarian Meatless Balls Served with Tomato Sauce and Chips  |
| | Jacket Potato with Baked Beans   | Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo | Jacket Potato with Cheese  | Jacket Potato with Vegetarian Bolognese   | Jacket Potato with Cheese  |
| II main meals are served with a side of vegetables or salad. | | | | | |
| DESSERT | Pineapple Upside-Down Cake  | Smooth Fruit Yoghurt | Cranberry and Orange Shortbread | Mandarin and Lamond Drizzle Slice | Fruity Friday  |

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Water, milk, salad, brown malted bloomer bread & fresh fruit



 Vegetarian
  Oily Fish
  Wholegrain
 Fruity!
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