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





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office who will pass them on to the PTA.

22 November 2019

Attendance – This week's top attendance goes to Ireland and USA class with 99% - Congratulations!

Children in need – we raised an amazing **£380.11** with non-uniform day and face painting the teachers. **See photos at the end of the Newsletter.**

Vine leaves – Guy B (Mexico) – for his positive encouragement towards his friends recognised not once but twice. Matthew H, James H, Alex V and Guy Bradbury all from Mexico Class have been nominated for kindness after they looked after a member of the class who had been having some family difficulties.

Coats: - Please ensure all children bring a **named** winter coat to school now the weather has taken a turn.

Recruitment for Thailand Class teacher – We have now shortlisted for a new class teacher and will be interviewing on Tuesday next week. We will then write to notify of the appointment shortly after.

Staff sickness – Just to let you know that we do have a bug passing through the staff this week and we are doing our very best to keep service as normal even on reduced numbers. Unfortunately, sickness at this time of year is prevalent and out of our control.

Evacuee Day for Year 6 – The Year 6 looked spectacular in their Evacuee outfits and experienced different aspects of life as an evacuee. The children baked rationing scones, made model Spitfires, wrote postcards home and were put through their paces with drill sergeant Oli.



Christingle – This is always a lovely time of year when the Christingles are taken up to the church. The children will be making their Christingles in school on Friday 29th and the service will be on Sunday 1st December at 4pm. We, as a school, normally pack the church for this celebration.

Sun Books For Schools - We as a school have registered for the Sun books for schools please collect tokens from either The Sun or The Sun on Sunday between 23rd November 2019 – 18th January 2020. Please bring in you tokens to the school





UK and Austria visit to the library –U.K. and Austria class are playing their part in keeping our libraries open. Everyone is now a member of Pulborough library and took home a book to enjoy. Bev Kinahan - Families and Wellbeing Librarian- read us several books including ' The Everywhere Bear' by Julia Donaldson. Bev would like to remind everyone about Christmas Tales by Torchlight, which takes place on Thursday 5th December 5.30pm - 6.15pm at Storrington Library.





Scholastic books - Please look out for the Scholastic Book catalogue that your child will have brought home this week. There are spares available at the office, if needed. The catalogue is full of bargain book and present ideas. Purchases are usually sent home with your child but please add a note to your order if you would like to collect items in person. Please deliver your order form to the office by Friday 29th November. We will receive 25% of any orders

to purchase books for school. Thank you for your support. Cheques to be made out to 'Scholastic'.

Trees – As part of National Tree Planting week, organised by the Woodland Trust, St. Mary's Primary School have pledged to plant as many tree as they can to help tackle climate change and protect our precious wildlife habitats. We have been invited to plant trees in a forest area called Hurston Warren - adjacent to West Sussex Golf Club. Mrs. Callender and Mrs. Huntley-Hart will be there on Tuesday and Wednesday next week from 3.45pm. We need children to help us plant! Please let them know if you can help so they know how many people to expect.

Pump track in the community – A group of youngsters in our community have come together including an ex-pupil of St Mary's together with the council to begin a community fundraiser to raise funds for the installation of a Pump Track in Pulborough. If you would like to support this project please visit: www.change.org/p/mtb-help-make-a-pump-track-in-pulborough? and sign the petition.

Little Explorers – This week has been national nursery rhyme week so the children have been doing various activities related to the rhyme of the day. The rhymes they have enjoyed are:

Monday – Baa Baa black sheep Tuesday – Down in the jungle Wednesday Incy Wincy spider Thursday – Row Row Row your boat Friday – Two little dickie birds

The children have made woolly sheep, and made animal footprints in playdough, had a spider hunt in the garden, enjoyed putting spiders down pipes, made a boat from big boxes, sang lots of the rhymes from the song sack and learned lots of different letter sounds at the fun phonics session. We have also been busy practising our nativity.

Usborne Books - Thank you to everyone that came to parents evening last week and bought books from the Usborne book stall.

For those that didn't manage to attend or anyone that still wished to make purchases the order will be held open for the weekend so it is not too late and a percentage of the total order will be donated back to the School in FREE books for the Library.

If you wish to order please contact Amy Swyer directly by email at <u>amyswyerbooks@gmail.com</u> by **8pm on Sunday 24th November** and if you wish to look through the books first the complete catalogue can be found on her website. <u>www.amyswyerbooks.co.uk</u>



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