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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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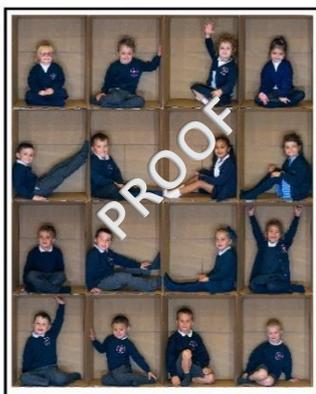
WB 1st October 2020

We have tried to get a few 'normals' in this week so school photographs took place, the children participated in the 'Harvest Eucharist' and we had sports coaches in from Horsham District Council. Lets hope that we can continue with things to enhance the children's experiences.

'Be a world Superhero' – We do live in a wonderful world, Prince Charles and David Attenborough are advocating for the world and the natural environment at the moment. There are events we would like to make you aware of, that our Eco council will be focussing on in October. These include **'Clean Air Day 2020'** on Thursday 8th October, a series of live events are planned for the day so please click on the link for more information [Clean Air Day Live!](#) There is also a competition for learners aged 5-14 (Years 1-9) and the competition is called 'Climate Superhero's'. This is for young people to use their ingenuity and problem solving skills to create an innovation or invention to help farmers fight climate change. <https://www.countrysideonline.co.uk/back-british-farming/education/farmvention-2020-are-you-a-climate-superhero/> . The school would love to see anything that is submitted.

Additional support for Y6 – Some parents in Year 6 have been concerned about the impact of lockdown on learning. Here is a link to a company who are providing resources to help with catch up. Parents can contact through the Pocket Private Tutor website, Instagram, Facebook or by email at info@pocketprivatetutor.co.uk

New reception starting school – We are so pleased with how well the new reception children have settled. Thank you to Tom Copus who was able to put together a socially distanced 'starting school' photo. This is a lovely memory to look back on.



UK Class
2020-21



Austria Class
2020-21

Year 6 – Japan class were showing off their ukulele skills this week. It is great to see music in the classrooms and development of music skills of listening and performing. Please see the photos below.

Music lessons – Year 2 and above – we are investigating restarting West Sussex County Council music lessons and are making enquiries as these lessons are now run by private tutors. We will advertise these when we get more information. If you were having lessons, and are still interested could you let the office know.

Governor Zoom – The Governors are keen to connect with parents virtually. They have booked a ‘Zoom’ for: Friday 9th October at 1.30pm. The Governors role is the strategic direction of the school and making sure that it is well led and managed so please do talk to them if you feel you could make a difference and you have suggestions to make.

Topic: Governors Parent Voice

Time: Oct 9, 2020 01:30 PM Greenwich Mean Time

Meeting ID: 735 8396 6906

Passcode: H3V184

Black History Month – October is the beginning of Black History Month and each class has planned different learning opportunities. I will add bits to the newsletter over the next few weeks and you could talk to the children about what they have learnt.

Vine leaves - **Marcus B** (SL) has been awarded one for kindness and compassion as he has been thinking about the environment and has written a letter to his local MP about eco issues and therefore thinking kindly about the planet. **Freddie G** (USA) for respect as he shows respect to all staff and he has such impeccable manners. **Skye T** (Ire) & **Florence K** (Ire) who very kindly went back out to the front playground today to help another child who needed some support.

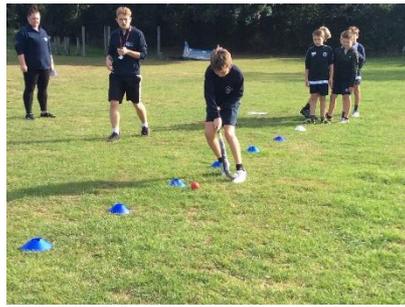
Breakfast club – We asked last week about anyone who would be interested and I have only had two responses. It can be one or two days a week or for an unpredictable occasion but we need to know how much interest there is. If you are interested, please could you contact the office ASAP.

Harvest Eucharist – We conducted the first Eucharist this morning where we celebrated Harvest. A few of the Year 6 pupils attended and the rest of the school joined in through a Zoom meeting. This was a time for the whole school to celebrate together and to hear some of the Harvest hymns that we normally learn together. Thank you so much to all the parents who dropped off donations this morning, we were inundated. All donations will be given to FSW as unfortunately Turning Tides are only accepting monetary donations at this time.



Virtual invasion games tournament - St Mary's competed in their first 'Virtual' tournament of the new school year earlier this week. The Invasion Games event was run by coaches from Horsham District Council with other schools due to compete over the coming weeks. With the dry September weather and the field in perfect condition, **South Africa, Mexico, Sierra Leone and Ireland classes** completed a number of challenges in basketball, football, rugby, hockey and netball practising different skill sets associated with these sports. There was great energy and enthusiasm shown by all and a big thank you to the coaches from Horsham District Council for running the event.

We are hoping to run our next 'Virtual' event soon where the other classes in KS2 and hopefully KS1 will be able to compete for the school.



New pupils for September 2021 – 2022

Due to COVID 19 restrictions, we are not allowed to open to the school to perspective parents this year but we are keen to show parents what we do as a school. We have put a Virtual Tour on to our website for those who are looking for a school place for September 2021 – 2022. Please see the poster attached at the end of the Newsletter for information on how to apply online. If you are aware of anyone who has a child starting at this time, please ask them to telephone the office and register their interest. We are putting together a photobook as well and this will be going on to our website shortly.

Foodbank Centres

Horsham Matters are now in a position to start reopening a few of our foodbanks over the next couple of weeks as follows:

Horsham United Reform Church – Monday 2.30-4.30 pm from 28.09.20

St Andrews Roffey – Thursday 10 am to Midday from 08.10.20

Quaker Meeting House Horsham – Friday 1-3 pm from 09.10.20

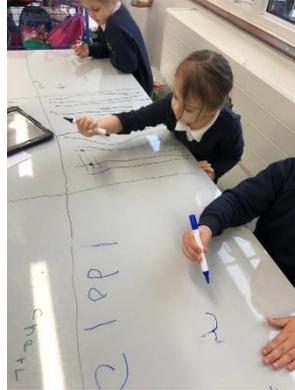
Trinity Centre Storrington – Thursday 10 am to Midday – start date TBC

These sessions will be appointment only. Clients should not just turn up please pre book by calling 0300 124 0204. All locations will be COVID secure.

Mental Health Support Resources and Agencies – The link below will give you links to a number of Support resources and agencies relating to General Anxiety Support for Children and Parents, General Support around returning to school etc. [Mental Health Support](#)

Window to the classroom

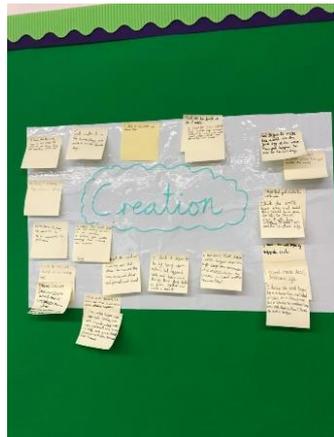
Reception & YR1



School Hall Display



YR6



Ukulele lesson Y6



YR 6 South Africa Class - Seascapes





Was your child born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017?

If so they are eligible to start
school in September 2021.

Apply online!

It's simple, convenient
and timesaving. If your
application is received after
the deadline of Friday 15
January 2021 your chance
of securing a place at one of
your preference schools could
be seriously affected.

You can apply online from Monday
5 October 2020. If you would like
further advice or information contact:

03330 142 903

Free internet access to apply
online is available at all:

- West Sussex libraries
- Children and Family Centres



Apply online at:
www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions
Deadline: Friday 15 January 2021



SEPT/OCT 2020

PARENT NEWSLETTER

FROM CHARTWELLS,
WEST SUSSEX



What's new?



**INTRODUCING
THE SUPER
YUMMY
KITCHEN!**

YOU MAY HAVE SEEN US ON INSTAGRAM, FACEBOOK, YOUTUBE OR TWITTER.

OUR TEAM OF NUTRITIONISTS AND CHEFS HAVE BEEN SHARING KITCHEN HACKS, FOOD FACTS, RECIPES, ACTIVITIES AND MORE!

HERE'S ONE OF OUR FOOD FACTS, CHECK OUT OUR SOCIALS FOR MORE!



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THE SUPER YUMMY KITCHEN



@THESYKITCHEN



THE SUPER YUMMY KITCHEN

**WANT TO JOIN US?
FIND US HERE,
FOR FREE!**

SPECIAL DIETS

WE ARE STILL ACCEPTING **SPECIAL DIET REQUESTS!** IF YOUR CHILD HAS DIETARY REQUIREMENTS, COMPLETE A REQUEST FORM (FROM YOUR SCHOOL OFFICE) AND GET IN TOUCH!



WESTSUSSEXSPECIALDIETS@COMPASS-GROUP.CO.UK



FOOD FACT FRIDAY

DID YOU KNOW?

Although we buy tuna in small tins, the Atlantic bluefin tuna can weigh up to 2000 pounds? That's more than a horse!

They can reach up to 10 feet in length, too!

Can you help the nation's farmers tackle one of earth's greatest challenges?



We're looking for young people to use their ingenuity and problem solving skills to create an innovation or invention to help farmers fight climate change.

The competition is open for learners aged 5-14 (Year 1 – Year 9) and closes on 31st May 2021

Need some inspiration?

Take a virtual tour, meet some of our farmers and visit our inspiration hubs filled with activities and videos to get you started!

The Prizes:

The top 9 entries will win £1000 for their school to spend on STEM or Outdoor Learning equipment and will receive their prize at a prestigious awards ceremony at the Houses of Parliament in Summer 2021

For more information go to www.farmvention.com



Dear Teacher,

The great news is that this poster has found you! We'd love for you to enter our competition – we have seen how passionate young people are about climate change. I know you're almost certainly very busy but I'd like to offer you 5 great reasons to enter:

- 1. Brand new interactive 3D tours:** the new look Farmvention website has four brand new immersive 3D tours of farms available to inspire your entries. The tours work with any internet connected device and offer a great way to visit the farm while external trips are limited.
- 2. Amazing prizes:** the top nine entries will receive £1000 to spend on science and outdoor education at their school. The prize giving will be held at the House of Commons.
- 3. Grow your learners' questioning skills:** each of our four Inspiration Hubs is supported by free learning resources that have been green tick verified by the ASE. Each resource is designed to develop working scientifically skills and assist students in questioning where their food comes from and the choices we make when choosing what we eat.
- 4. Use a real life context to discuss a globally important issue:** The NFU is committed to achieving net zero emissions by 2040. The NFU education team have worked closely with policy experts to understand the issues facing farmers and how the industry is planning to reach its target. The activity packs and 3D tours are designed to explain these complex principles in a way that can be understood by a younger audience.
- 5. Themes that relate well to the UN's sustainable development goals:** The four inspiration hubs: renewable energy, sustainable food, soil & plant health and technology. These themes match well with goals such as life on land, responsible consumption and production and affordable and clean energy as well as the overarching theme of climate action.

Kind Regards



Josh Payne – NFU Chief Education Manager



Pulborough

SCARECROW COMPETITION

Fair



1. Build a scarecrow
2. Put it in your garden or window
3. And on...

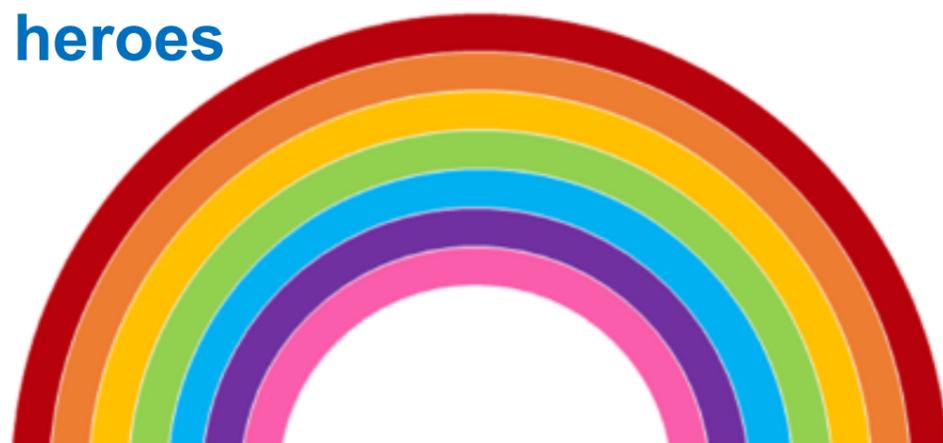


[www.facebook.com/
PulboroughHarvestFair](http://www.facebook.com/PulboroughHarvestFair)

Judging to take place on
Sat 10th October

Prizes for
winning
scarecrows -
the judges decision
is final

Theme, to show our appreciation:
Key workers & front-line
heroes



**Organised by the Pulborough Community Partnership
for further information call 07540 055 934**

VENTURE DAYS

WHAT ARE YOU DOING
THIS OCTOBER?



£50 PER DAY



CANOE • ARCHERY
MOUNTAIN BIKE
KAYAK • CLIMB

AGES 8 - 13

Active School Holiday Clubs at the
Adur Centre, Shoreham

FIND OUT MORE AND BOOK YOUR ADVENTURE



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clubsfor **youngpeople**
involve • enjoy • achieve

THURSDAY'S

Pulborough Youth Club



Young People in year's
5, 6 and 7



Come and have some fun
between 3.15pm to 5.15pm.

Take part in activities, meet
your friends and make new ones.



Muga Pitch on playing fields

For more info:

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