



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 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023

As we come to the end of the week we are looking forward to a long weekend! The children have settled so well in to the Summer term and the timetables are full of exciting things including the coronation next weekend. Please do have a look at the dates on the newsletter for this term. A reminder that next week Year 3 will swim on Tuesday, Wednesday Year 5/6, Thursday Y5/6 and Friday Year 4. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

**Parish Council** – Holly, Ruben, Levi, Jess, Caleb and Martha attended the Pulborough Parish Council meeting. They prepared a presentation to tell the parish councillors all about Fairtrade and how we raise the children's awareness. What a phenomenal group of children who will change the world!



**The Anchorage** – Thank you to Mrs Hatcher and Ms Harrison for taking **Skye, Logan, Georgie, Dexter, Scarlett and Jens** on a visit to The Anchorage. It is always great to see our young learners talking to the older generation about their own experiences.

**Stick insects** – The children in Thailand class are excited to have some stick insects come into the classroom. This is a great opportunity for the children to watch them carefully and learn more about them, they will be encouraged to write a non-chronological report on their findings. It is great to see them chat as they magnify them.



**Multiskills at The Weald** – What a great afternoon of sport for Year 2 children. They were welcomed at The Weald with lots of children from the other locality schools to participate in a range of throwing, catching, jumping and running events stewarded by The Weald students. Thank you to Mrs Hatcher and Mrs Tiller for accompanying the children.



**Gemma B (USA class)** – We are so proud of Gemma who has gained 2<sup>nd</sup> place nationally in the Peace Poster competition run by The Lions club. This means that the school will receive £50! Gemma has done so well to achieve this prize.

**King's Coronation** – We will be celebrating the King's Coronation and having our own Coronation Party on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May. The children are invited to come in red, white and blue outfits and we will be having a picnic outside – weather permitting. The Bank Holiday will be on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May and the children will return to school on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May.



**On Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May**, there will be a **King's Coronation Picnic on the Recreation Ground**. More information will follow.

The PTA are attending the Kings Coronation Picnic on the Recreation Ground on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May and they will be running a sweet tombola and a hamper raffle. The PTA are hoping to get donations in exchange for a non-uniform day.



The 'non-uniform day' will be on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April**. Please could **EYFS and KS1 children bring in sweets/chocolate for the sweet tombola** and **KS2 to bring in red, white and blue items for prize hamper**. We will be very grateful for any help with this.

**Chartwells for the Coronation** – If you child has hot school meal, please note that the shortbread pudding on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May and the fruit on the 5<sup>th</sup> May will be swapped round. This is to give more of a celebration pudding on the 5<sup>th</sup> May.

**Year 5/6 Science:** Microorganisms - Years 5 and 6 have been studying microorganisms as part of our learning on 'Living Things and their Habitats.' We have explored conditions for growth of mould, placing slices of bread in warm, cold, dark, light, damp and dry locations, making predictions and observing the changes that occurred over several weeks. We discovered that fungi, plants and animals are all eukaryotic microorganisms, whereas bacteria are prokaryotic microorganisms. Next, we looked at examples of eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells and discussed their similarities and differences. Using this knowledge, the children then created their own microorganism, describing its name, classification, uses and effects (harmful or helpful) in a fact file.





**Vine leaves** – **Poppy P (Ire)** for being Delilah's Buddy this week. They are getting on famously, and she is being very kind and supportive. **Freddie B (NZ)** - Perseverance - For always trying his best and having a positive attitude towards everything he does. **Lennie (NZ)** - Service - For taking on responsibility in the classroom and volunteering to help with jobs. **Mia (Ita)** for her service and she is always so keen to help others. **Hettie (Ita)** - for always producing outstanding pieces of work and offering her understanding to class discussions. All done in a way that is so humble and gracious!



**Jayden (Ita)** - for recognising when it is necessary to support the needs of the whole class by walking away from potential disruption - serving others through making the right choice. **James (Ita)** - for listening to and acting on the advice about how to improve his learning to produce work of increasing progress and stamina in writing. **Leah (Ita)** - for showing resilience through her ability to forgive and forget. Leah is never down for long. She always bounces back! **Dilan D (Ind)** for FAITH - Dilan always has lovely inputs and prayers and shows great levels of faith. **Bowie WV (Ind)** for TRUTHFULNESS - Bowie sees the value in truth and she is always honest. **Oliver W (Ind)** for TRUST - Oliver can be trusted with anything - he is conscientious and earnest about responsibilities. **Rosie (USA)** who shows such humility every day with putting others before herself. **Poppy (Ita)** shows such true friendship to all around her. **Reg H (SA)** for perseverance as he has showed determination to overcome his worries about swimming. **Anna E (SA)** for wisdom as she shows true commitment to all areas of her learning and has a constant thirst for challenge! **Teddy (SL)** - He was finding writing in English challenging but he showed perseverance and in the end he wrote a good paragraph about Mary Anning's early childhood for his autobiography.

**Cake Sale** – Thank you to Japan class for organising the cake sale. They made £122.10 which will go towards the Big Top and the end of year production.

**Celebration Assemblies** – We love showcasing our learning to the parents and the dates below are for this to happen:

Italy	18 <sup>th</sup> May 23
Mexico	25 <sup>th</sup> May 23
India	8 <sup>th</sup> June 23
New Zealand	15 <sup>th</sup> June 23
Sierra Leone	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 23
UK	28 <sup>th</sup> June 23
USA	29 <sup>th</sup> June 23
Ireland	6 <sup>th</sup> July 23
Thailand	13 <sup>th</sup> July 23
Year 6 leavers assembly	20 <sup>th</sup> July 23

**Reflection** – [Have faith in yourself! - YouTube](#)

**Bible stories** – We do love seeing the children learning from the stories in The Bible. Every child at St Mary's has a bible that they can use when they want to.



**Learning** – The children in Italy class have been using their Gymnastics skills to perform balances. It is great to see them using all the equipment to work at different heights. It means the children can take risks safely and develop their sense of themselves and their bodies.



## Dates for your diary

<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Non-school uniform for the coronation in return for coloured items for the hampers or bottles or chocolate for the tombola.
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Bank holiday
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	Year 2 SATs information afternoon 3.30pm India classroom
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 1 Phonics information afternoon 3.30pm Italy classroom
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May -</b>	King's Coronation Party Day – children to wear red, white and blue
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bank Holiday
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May</b>	KS2 SAT's starts – Breakfast club for Y6 pupils only
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Ireland Forest School
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Cobnor Residential meeting for Y5 (that are attending) Mexico classroom
<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 6 to Bethany House, Hindhead – residential
<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Walk to School week – a great chance to walk to school!
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Ireland Forest School
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>	HALF TERM
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Class photographs and Y6 Leavers photo – full school uniform please
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 4 parents meeting about the multiplication test
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June – 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Cobnor residential for Year 5 children that are going

**Residential Trips** – We have arranged parents' meetings for the parents of the children attending the Year 5 residential trip. These will take place on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 3.30pm for the Year 5 Cobnor trip.**

**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.

**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

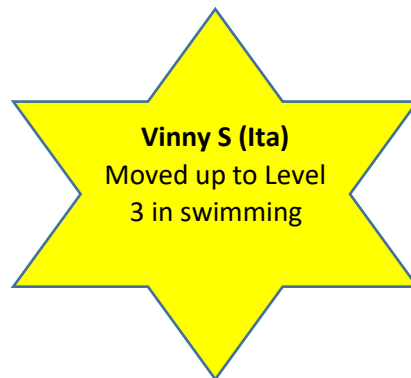
**May Cut off Dates**  
 Thur 4/5 for w/c Mon 15/5  
 Thur 11/5 for w/c Mon 22/5  
 Thur 25/5 for w/c Mon 5/6



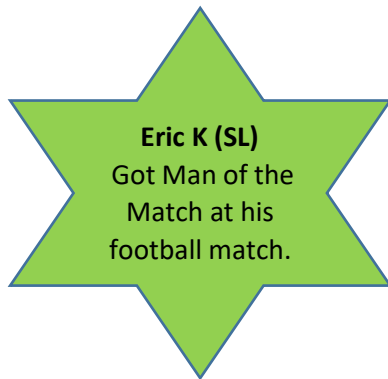
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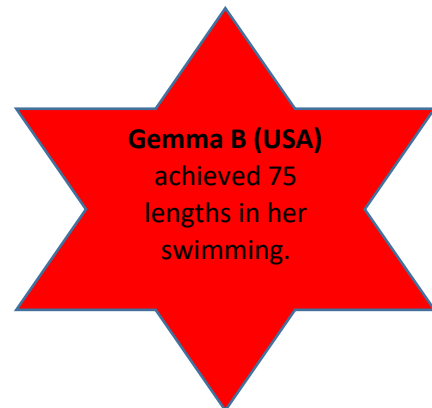
**Teagan Rix (Ita)**  
Swimming  
achievement



**Vinny S (Ita)**  
Moved up to Level  
3 in swimming



**Eric K (SL)**  
Got Man of the  
Match at his  
football match.



**Gemma B (USA)**  
achieved 75  
lengths in her  
swimming.



**Alfie F (Jap)**  
Achieved his  
hobbies and  
navigator badges



**Caleb L (Jap)**  
achieved his  
hobbies and  
navigator badges



**Miller B (Ind)**  
Dancing in the Aida Opera  
at the Kings Theatre in  
Portsmouth ADD PHOTO



## THE LABOURING MAN CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

**STREET PARTY**  
**SUNDAY 7TH MAY - 2pm - 10pm**

**AFTERNOON TEA PARTY**  
**2pm - 4pm**

*If you would like to donate cakes, scones, pastries etc for our  
community afternoon tea, please call Lyn or Martyn*

**Live Music All Day 2pm - 9pm!**  
*2pm Singer Chris Lee, 4pm Regis Jazz Band, 7pm The Splinters*

**Sponsored HEAD SHAVE - Su Stenning & Amy Parker  
at 3pm**

*Su Stenning & Amy Parker are doing a sponsored head shave at 3pm.*

**BBQ & Hogroast from 6pm!**

**Free Admission - All donation proceeds will be donated to  
Macmillan Cancer Support and the Brain Tumor Charity**

The Labouring Man,  
Old London Road,  
Coldwaltham

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## ESSA SUMMER OPEN (INDIVIDUAL) CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

ESSA are holding their 3<sup>rd</sup> Summer Open Championships.

It is open to all swimmers from 9 years old, including para swimmers.

**- Entry deadline - entries will be accepted up to 2<sup>nd</sup> June where space permits (but don't leave it to the last minute – entries accepted as 'first-come-first-served')**

**Licensed** by Swim England at Level 3 (3SE\_TBA) – Long Course

**When:** Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2023

**Where:** K2 Leisure Centre, Crawley, RH11 9BQ

**Age Groups:** 9/10, 11/12, 13/14, 15 and over.

Ages are calculated as at 9<sup>th</sup> July 2023

**Events:** 50m, 100m and 200m all strokes  
plus 200m IM, 400m Freestyle & IM  
All events will be heat declared winners.

**Para swimmers** may enter the events shown in their respective classification that have qualifying times

**Awards:** Medals will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in each age group (see image of our special medals for this event).

**Entries:** Accepted on 'first-come, first-served' basis



All details and entry files available from [www.essa-schoolswimming.com](http://www.essa-schoolswimming.com) (Events | Summer Open)

This is an individual event where swimmers represent themselves. Swimmers may enter directly, through their club or through their school. It is open to all secondary school aged swimmers, and primary school swimmers that have reached the age of 9 by the last day of the championships, including Para swimmers.

The Summer Open (Individual) Championships promoter is Stewart Nicklin - [summer-open@essa-mail.uk](mailto:summer-open@essa-mail.uk)