

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



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

Telephone: 01798 872007 WB 15th May 2023

Thank you to all parents for your understanding about the water situation on Monday. Having come in to school very early, we found that the water was brown and foaming, the supply was intermittent and the water smelt of chlorine, making it impossible to open and ensure the children's safety. This is never a decision we, as a school, make lightly.



Walk to School Week - 15th - 19th May

It is Walk to School Week this week - 15-19 May. Living Streets are running their five-day walking challenge, aimed at primary schools to help pupils experience first-hand the importance of walking to school. The theme this year is 'Walk with Wildlife'; pupils will learn about the important reasons to walk, and the difference it can make for individuals, communities and the planet!



Key Stage Two SATs – We are so proud of the efforts of all of the Year 6. They were so determined and went in to every test just wanting to be the best that they could be! That is all that we could ask of them. Thank you to parents for supporting us through this week. Some of the children said 'it was the best week ever' and other commented that they felt 'they had grown up!'

Class photos/Year 6 Group photo - Yellow Photography will be in school next Friday 26th May (last day of this half of term) to do this year's class photos and a full group photo of Year 6.



Please ensure your child/children are in full clean uniform, including their jumper/cardigan, thank you.



Sun cream - Now that it appears that summer may be finally on the horizon, please make sure that your children wear sun cream. It is best to apply it before they come to school, unless you feel they can apply it themselves, as the staff are not allowed to apply it for them. A sun hat would also be advisable for break times.

VR Headsets - USA class have been trialling the VR headsets. They were able to see London at night, visit the city of Amsterdam, see around a tomb inside a pyramid and visit The Great Wall of China. We are excited for the other classes to begin to use them now to enhance the learning and the half-termly topics. We are so excited about all the other children using these now to enrich our curriculum further.



Pulborough Pop in – Please see flyer attached

Year 6 Residential – Most of the Year 6's are currently at Bethany House in Hindhead this week for their Residential. They are living together with their friends and joining in with activities such as Giant Swing, Jacob's ladder, tunnelling, climbing, problem-solving, archery, zip wire, orienteering and buggy building. In the evenings, they are joining in with a campfire, evening splash, a quiz night and the PGL tournament. This is such a fantastic week and we know that they will come home with lots of stories about their time there. Please look at the website for photos of what they are up to.



















The Spectrum - Finals - We were thrilled to have a team swimming in the SE Schools Sussex Swimming Finals. Olivia, Freddie, William and Scarlett attended the final and swam on Saturday and were so confident in the pool. A huge achievement for them and we couldn't be prouder.



Vine leaves -

- Charlie S & Luca O (Ire) for playing so nicely together at Forest School and sharing.
- Ralph D (UK) for TRUST Ralph has been showing me that I can trust him by being so kind and lovely this week.



- Flora B (Ind) TRUTHFULNESS Flora has really impressed me with her honesty this week and she has shown great conscientiousness.
- Elliot K (Ita) deserves a vine leaf for service. His excellent behaviour serves everyone in the class. He serves his teachers by doing everything that is asked of him and he serves his friendships by going above and beyond to show kindness and love to his friends.
- **Stephan E (Ita)** deserves a vine leaf for humility. He is a remarkable mathematician, yet never makes it a problem to give others a go during Maths input and he doesn't brag about his amazing Maths brain.
- Rocco W (SA) have a vine leaf for completing and even enjoying SATs he had faith in himself.
- Archie-Deane (Ire) Charlie H (Ire) for helping to put out everyone's chairs in the morning.
- Annabelle (Ind) for showing faith in herself and her abilities! She is truly making brilliant progress in reading and writing.
- Vitaliik (USA) for his humility and putting others before himself a great role model.
- **Delilah (Ire)** for her friendship as she is always a friend to others.

St Mary's Church - Please be aware of the 'Celebrate!' service this Sunday. Please see poster attached!

Enquiries – Please could we ask that any enquiries go to the class teacher first to see if they can sort out the concern and if you still feel the issue is unresolved please speak to Mrs Hatcher and then if you still feel it is not resolved then do contact myself, Mrs Copus. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

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

Mexico	25 th May 23
India	8 th June 23
New Zealand	15 th June 23
Sierra Leone	22 nd June 23
UK	28 th June 23
USA ** change of date	27 th June 23
Ireland	6 th July 23
Thailand	13 th July 23
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	20 th July 23

Dates for your diary

Friday 19th **May** Italy Class trip to Arundel Castle – uniform but comfortable shoes

Tuesday 23rd May Year 4 to the RSPB – uniform and comfortable shoes

Tuesday 23rd May India Class trip to Arundel Castle – uniform and comfortable shoes

Wednesday 24th May EYFS/KS1 have been invited to 'Draw a Gruffalo' with Axel Scheffler – EXCITED!

Wednesday 24th May Fairtrade Tea Party – Grandparents are welcome for tea and cake.

Please let the Office know if you would like to attend.

Friday 26th May Class photographs and Year 6 Leavers' photo – full school uniform please.

(Please note this is a rescheduled date)

Monday 29th May

Thursday 8th June

HALF TERM — Happy Book certificates come home

Year 4 parents' meeting about the multiplication test

Cobnor residential for Year 5 children that are going.

Monday 12th June Phonics screening for Year 1

Thursday 15th June Visiting Athlete Kylie Grimes – sponsored event for sport!

Happy Book certificates – Our happy book certificates will be coming home next week – do look out to see if your child is in the happy book this half term.

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

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



June Cut off Dates
Thur 1/6 for w/c Mon 12/6
Thur 8/6 for w/c Mon 19/6
Thur 15/6 for w/c Mon 26/6
Thur 22/6 for w/c Mon 3/7
Thur 29/6 for w/c Mon 10/7



Well Done!



ALL WELCOME WE



Pulbarough Pap-In



From 26th April 2023

Parents/carers are welcome to come and join us in a relaxed and safe environment to chat about anything and everything!

Make friends, learn about the community, the schools, things to do in and around the area for families, natter about work and where to go on holiday!

Tea, coffee and biscuits available. Pre-schoolers are welcome.



Every Wednesday (during term-time)

From 9am - Ilam

@ Pulborough Library

£1 suggested donation

For more information, please contact Isla Moran 075 226 89948







Let's Celebrate!

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK



& CAKE SALE

St Mary's Church, Pulborough



Open Service for All Ages 9 – 9.40am,

Sunday 21st May 2023

Next Service Sunday 18th June 2023

Contact Vicky Smith on stmaryschildrenschurch@gmail.com
for more details