



WB 9th October 2023



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

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Thank you to parents that attended the 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon. It is great to develop that relationship with parents and for you to know what your child is learning, how the classroom works and how you can support the teaching and learning. We are keen for parents to have detailed information about the learning that your child is completing.

Individual and sibling photographs –The closing date for orders is **Tuesday 17th October 2023**. We are pleased with the quality of these photos, if you do have any feedback then let us know.

The Baptist Church – We welcomed Andy and Judith today from The Baptist Church and they talked to us about life and how unpredictable it can be and we started to think about Christmas coming. If your child would like to go to Messy Church then it is running this Saturday - please see the banner on the gate.

Reflection – Be kind to yourself!! (15) Love - be kind to yourself - YouTube

Mental Health Day – In order to raise awareness of mental health, the children came to school with a yellow accessory. In our classes, we talked about the value of talking about how we feel and that we should talk to each other when we are not feeling quite right.



Speech and Language sessions – We know how important speech and language sessions are to ensure that children can access a curriculum. If you have a concern, about speech and language for your child then do contact the office.

Children's mental health – it is so important to support our young people in how they are feeling. <u>https://www.ormiston.org/the-link/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2019/07/Child-mental-health-PDF.pdf</u>

Sussex uniforms 20% discount – Our school uniform supplier, Sussex Uniforms is offering a huge 20% off everything in store and online between **16th October 2023 - 22nd October 2023**. If you need to top up on any uniform or P.E kit items or need a refresh on your everyday essentials and stationery, now's the time to shop. Use code **DEAL20** at checkout or in store. <u>www.sussexuniforms.co.uk</u>

Vine leaves – Leo D (SA) for honesty as he found a wallet on the park and handed it into school to be reunited with its owner. Archie-Deane (SL) for kindness. This afternoon he helped 2 other children to complete their geography after he had completed his work. We were looking at the impact of deforestation. Isobel H (SL) for her humility and perseverance as she never gives up and gives 100% in all that she does. Skyla (SL) for her humility as she puts others before herself and always lends a helping hand. Peter S (USA) for wisdom as he always has so much knowledge to share with the class and others. Bertie (Tha) for his humility as he keeps encouraging others around him. Daisy M and Marlie (UK) for courage as they keep pushing themselves to do things that feel scary.

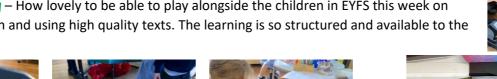
Swimming Pool – The swimming pool is closing on Thursday 19th October – it has been a brilliant season for swimming and we look forward to having the pool open again from Easter. A huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Sherlock Fuidge, Mrs Norgate and Mrs Parsons (and family) for making sure it ran so well. We are very grateful.

Clarinet - Year 4 are really developing their musical skills now and it is great to see the perseverance that they are giving this. There will be a concert at Christmas and we hope that parents will come and watch how their child engages with an instrument.

EYFS learning – How lovely to be able to play alongside the children in EYFS this week on looking at Autumn and using high quality texts. The learning is so structured and available to the children.

Pumpkin soup has been made. Cookery is a great activity because there is a lot of vocabulary associated in the learning and it helps fine motor and gross motor skills.

Maths in KS1 - Italy have been recalling their number bonds to 10 and then applying this to 20 and 100. The use of Numicon helped the children to see the pictorial representation. Great learning from them and so much focus on learning



















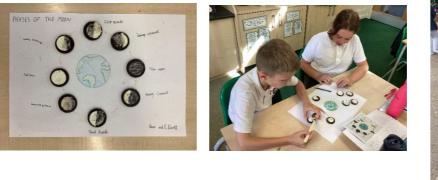






YR 6 Phases of the Moon! The children have been learning about the phases of the moon using Oreos. This is active, engaging, and definitely memorable! Well done to Indie for her homework, which shows the solar system.







Children's Club - Life Community Church Storrington are running a local children's club which meets in Chanctonbury Sports Centre every week in term time on a Friday from 6:00 pm till 7:15 pm. This free club is open to all and is run by Life Community Church Storrington. Our Fireworks Kids Club aims to create an environment outside of school where the kids can have fun, be safe, learn, and meet their friends. We will be playing loads of games with a different theme each week. This club is aimed at children in School Year 3 (7 years old) to Year 5 (10 Years old). If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact <u>Nick@lccstor.org</u>.

Twitter – We do have a school Twitter account **Pulb_school** Please do follow us to see the most up to date news, photos and achievements.

New children starting at St Mary's – open sessions - We would like to welcome parents to have a look round St Mary's on our open mornings and afternoons. We will be conducting tours to show off our learning environment on the dates below. We would encourage parents of three- and four-year olds to come and look around:

- Thursday 19th October 9.15am 11.30am
- Thursday 2nd November 1.15pm 3.00pm
- Tuesday 14th November 9.15am 11.30am
- Thursday 23th November 1.15pm 3.00pm

Giving machine for PTA – As we approach the run up to Christmas, we hope that you will think of the school when you are ordering presents online. Please could we ask that you to sign up for this – it does not cost anything and we as a school get a percentage back, which will be



spent, on your children. Just go to <u>www.TheGivingMachine.co.uk</u> 1. Join as a shopper 2. Choose to support St Mary's C.E (Aided) Primary School 3. Find online store, do your shopping and Install a "Shop & Give" reminder so you get notified each time you visit a participating retailer.

Celebration assemblies - 9am

UK class and Year R in Thailand class will have an assembly in the Spring term once they have settled.

Thur 19th Oct – Mexico Thur 2nd Nov – New Zealand Thur 9th Nov – USA Thur 16th Nov – SL Thur 23rd Nov – Ireland Thur 30th Nov – Japan Thur 7th Dec – Italy Thur 14th Dec – Thailand (Y1 children only)

Disco – We are looking forward to the school disco. A reminder that no mobile phones should be brought to the disco. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Multi- skills at The Weald – Year 3 joined in with other locality schools in a multiskills afternoon. It was a great opportunity for the children to practise dribbling, kicking, throwing, running, hitting and jumping. They were praised for their behaviour and we love to hear this about the children at St Mary's.



Dates for your diary - AUTUMN TERM

- Fri 13th Oct Champs Hill O Duo for Year 6
- Fri 13th Oct Parent Governor votes deadline
- Wed 18th Oct Disco 5.00pm 6.00pm for EYFS/KS1

6.15pm – 7.30pm for KS2 (£1.50 entry fee and pennies for the 'bling' and sweets)

- Wed 18th Oct Year 3 to The Wetlands in Arundel
- Wed 18th Oct Six week in meeting in the main hall 9am
- Thur 19th Oct Open Morning 9am 11.30am
- Fri 20th Oct INSET DAY (School will be closed to the children)
- Mon 23rd Oct HALF TERM
- Mon 30th Oct Return to school
- Thur 2nd Nov Open Afternoon 1.15pm 3pm
- Tues 7th Nov Parents Evening settling in to new classes
- Thur 9th Nov Parents Evening settling in to new classes
- Fri 10th Nov Remembrance at school the children can come in their uniforms if they belong to a uniformed group.
- Fri 10th Nov PTA Firework Event
- Tue 14th Nov Open Morning 9am 11.30am
- Thur 23rd Nov Open Afternoon 1.15pm 3pm
- Wed 29th Nov Christmas Jumper sale 3.15pm on the playground
- Sun 3rd Dec Christingle Service at St Mary's Church at 4pm this is such a lovely service and every child gets a Christingle to light
- Tues 5th Dec Book look for EYFS/KS1
- Thur 7th Dec Book look for KS2
- Tue 12th Dec UK/Thailand Christmas Production 2pm and 5pm
- Wed 13th Dec Italy/India Christmas Production 2pm and 5pm
- Fri 15th Dec Last day of term/9am Christmas Eucharist (Parents are welcome to attend)

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.

October Cut off Dates Thur 5/10 for w/c 16/10 Halt Term Thur 19/10 for w/c 30/10 Thur26/10 for w/c 6/11



NovemberCut off Dates Thur 2/11 for w/c 13/11 Thur 9/11 for w/c 20/11 Thur 16/11 for w/c 27/11

Achievements



Olivia A (SA) Swam for Atlantis in the Cranleigh swimming competition on Sunday and got Silver for her 100m freestyle.

Rex W (SA)

Awarded two bronze, one silver and one gold medal at the Sussex Taekwondo Championships. He is the Sussex Champion for Tag Team Sparring.





Mattie (Ire) & Daniel (Jap) P

Mattie's first ever attempt at an Aquathlon and she came third in the Novice category (25m swim and 500m run). Daniel came second in the TriStar1 category (150m swim and 1,500m run), he also finished in second place overall for that category in the series.

Jayden (USA) 600m swimming certificate & a Rugby medal

Ella C (USA) Completed stage 5 in swimming

Elani (Jap)

Competed at the semifinals for a national tap and ballet competition and scholarship event at Buxton Opera House this weekend. She danced so well and was in the top 100 dancers nationally!

Lincoln B (SL) Put a lot of effort into his Football matches on Saturday and received Man of the Match



Daisy R-L (UK) Received the Gym Dog award at Gymnastics



Hettie S, Leah R, Violet H & Savannah W All went up a stage in karate



St Mary's Church, Pulborough Sunday 15th October 2023

Let's Celebrate!



Reaching for the Goal An Open, Informal Service for All Ages. You are invited to join us for tea and cake before our service starts.



3.30pm - Tea and Cake 4pm – Let's Celebrate





