



# ST. FAITH'S

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

### NEWSLETTER



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*Lighting the Path... Together: We Learn, We Share, We Pray, We Care with Courage, Trust, Love and Hope*

Everyone appears to have come back refreshed after the sunny Easter break and the children are excited about their new topics.

We started our week with collective worship about St George and how he is the patron saint of England. We talked about his brave acts, the cross on the flags and how he inspired Christians across the world. We reflected on the fact that St George displayed the school values of courage, trust, love and hope in his life.



#### Curriculum Letters for Summer Term

You will shortly receive the curriculum letter for the Summer term for your child's year group. This outlines the topics being covered this term and additional information about homework etc. This may also give you ideas about things you can talk about or places you could visit to further your child's learning.

#### Winchester Teaching School Alliance

Are you interested in a career in teaching? St Faith's have been involved in the School Direct teacher training programme for a number of years which is a school based training route into teaching carried out in primary and secondary schools in the area with Winchester University. There will be an information evening about it on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May from 6.30-8.00pm at The Westgate Lower School.

#### Year R learn to tell the time



The children in reception have been learning about time this week. They have made paper chains by putting the days of the

week in order and have sequenced events of a day on a long strip of paper. They have also been using clock faces to show o'clock times and have made their own watches which they are very proud of!



#### Year 1 look for signs of Spring



Year 1 children all went outside looking for signs of Spring on Thursday afternoon with Miss Berry. They were amazed about how many different things they could spot and were excited to show me the blossom. They then drew and wrote about their findings and did some craft to represent Spring time.

#### School Sunflower Competition!



All of the sunflowers planted by the Eco committee are growing and the competition between the staff and the classes is very close. They have now been planted in the bed on the field!

#### Achievement for Outstanding Problem Solving

Congratulations to the following children who were all presented with a Head teacher's certificate at the end of last term for demonstrating outstanding problem solving in maths.

Year R – **Finley** Year 1 – **Sophia**

Year 2 – **Zak** Year 3 – **Louis**

Year 4 – **Heidi** Year 5 – **Megan**

Year 6 – **Gabriel**

#### Easter Holiday Club Fun!

A large number of children attended the Easter Holiday Club with Marc, Astra and Lulu during the first week of the holidays. The group did all sorts of fun activities including the ever popular Easter Egg treasure hunt. The leaders were really impressed by the behaviour and enthusiasm of the children at the club. The next Holiday Club will be from 28<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> May.

#### Explorers topic in Maple Class



Maple Class had to be detectives this week and work out who the explorer was on the screen by looking at small parts of a picture on the screen. From the clues they worked out that it was Ernest Shackleton, the British explorer who led three expeditions to the Antarctic. They then learnt about his

life and studied an advertisement to join one of the expeditions. They thought about the qualities and equipment that an explorer might need in order to be successful and wrote down their own ideas.

#### Beech Class learn all about Greece

As an introduction to their new topic about the ancient Greeks, Beech class have been using atlases to find out as much as they can about Greece in geographical terms such as the population, climate, terrain and surrounding countries. This information will go towards their fact file which has to contain facts about the geographical aspect, the economy, ancient Greece, Greek culture and traditions. They will now be carrying out further research to complete their task.

#### Walk to School Week

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May



We would like to encourage as many children as possible to walk, scooter or cycle to school during the week. If you live too far away to walk please park further away and walk from there. All

children who use sustainable travel to and from school during the week will receive a certificate. See the attached information re Park and Stride places to park.

### Information meetings for parents

We have a number of information evenings coming up for parents.

**Year 5 Beaulieu Information evening 6pm**- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May with Mrs Hanson and Ms John

**New Year R Parent Meeting 6pm** – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

**Year 5 and 6 – Sex Ed Information evening 6pm**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May with Mrs Hanson and Miss Phillips

**Year 3 Minstead Information evening 6pm** Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June with Miss Whiteman, Mrs Buchanan and Mrs Choules

### House Cup Winners of the week!

Congratulations to all of the children in **de Blois and Fox House** for gaining the most achievement points for this week.



### Workers of the Week

Well done to the following children who received certificates today: -

Oak: **Nina and William**

Silver Birch: **Jamie and Zak**

Willow: **Thor and Sienna**

Maple: **Izzy and Clara**

Beech: **Lara and Henry**

### St Faith's Crosses

**Abraham** for settling in very well

**Harry** for increased speed in routines

**Eleanor** for being polite to adults

**Alex** for tidying up after others

**Agatha** for always showing focus and enthusiasm

**Rebekah** for using her initiative and showing love towards others

**Lila and Polly** for showing kindness to their classmates

**Thomas and Sophie** for helpfulness in school

### Clubs for the Summer Term 2019

Please sign up at the office for clubs (apart from Street Dance which is done directly).

**All payment must be made before the child can start the club**

**All clubs, apart from the Ark, run from 3.30-4.30pm.**

**Mondays** – ABC Club (gymnastics) Years 1-4 Marc Gillingham 29<sup>th</sup> April to 15<sup>th</sup> July £40

**Paper Craft Workshop** Y1-Y6 – Tracy McDonnell from Papercraft Studio 29<sup>th</sup> April until 15<sup>th</sup> July ( Children learn paper craft skills and take home a project each week) £65 or two payments of £32.50

**Tuesdays** – Musical Theatre – KS2 Miss Whiteman 23<sup>rd</sup> April to 9<sup>th</sup> July - **Full**

**Tuesdays** – Summer Sports Club Years R-2 Marc Gillingham 23<sup>rd</sup> April to 16<sup>th</sup> July £48 **Full**

**Wednesdays** - Summer Sports Years 3-6 Marc Gillingham 24<sup>th</sup> April to 17<sup>th</sup> July £48 - **Full**

**Thursdays** – Street Dance with Integr8Dance Years R,1 and 2 25<sup>th</sup> April to 18<sup>th</sup> July [louise@integr8dance.com](mailto:louise@integr8dance.com)  
**Dawn James**

### Message from St Cross

9.30am Parish Eucharist with Sunday Club for children.

Children are especially welcome at the Parish Eucharist every Sunday at 9.30am. On the second Sunday of each month the whole service is designed to involve children and on other Sundays the Sunday Club leaves the service during the first hymn and returns during communion.

### Message from the St Faith's School Association

Thank you so much to all who have already signed up to be on the WhatsApp groups. As a quick reminder the 'PTA main' group is for those who want to have a more active involvement in the PTA, and the 'PTA backup' is for those who would like to help but have less time to spare. If you haven't already put your name forward you can ask Camilla, Frankie, or your year Rep to add you.

There is now also a designated PTA email:

**ptastfaiths@gmail.com** Please feel free to get in touch.

Many Thanks, Camilla & Frankie

### Use of the school field out of school hours

The school field can be used by all families who have a child at the school. We have three official key holders who all live very close to the school: Mrs Wright, Mrs Bone and Mrs Shaw (details from the school office).



Everyone who uses the field must complete the **Terms of agreement** which the key holders will provide. There **must always** be a responsible **adult** on the field. Please note that as part of our agreement with the local residents, the field cannot be used after 7 pm on week days or after 6pm on Saturdays and not on Sunday afternoons after 1pm.

### Hiring of the school field for parties

We do hire out the field for a fee to families of children at the school for parties or picnics. Please book with the school office. Again **terms of agreement for hiring** the field must be followed. (When a booked party is in progress, the field cannot be used by others.)

### Summer Term 2019

**13<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 SATs week

**20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> May** – Walk to school week

**21<sup>st</sup> May** Y5 parents Beaulieu Information evening 6pm

**23<sup>rd</sup> May** Sex Ed Information evening 6pm Y5/6 parents

**22<sup>nd</sup> May** - New Year R Parent Information evening

**23<sup>rd</sup> May** – Year 6 to St Cross

**27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May** – Half term

**3<sup>rd</sup> June** – Y3 Swimming lessons at Kings' start for 5 weeks

**6<sup>th</sup> June** – Minstead Information evening 6pm Y3 parents

**12<sup>th</sup> June** – Sports Day 9.15

**14<sup>th</sup> June** – SFSA School Fair

**19<sup>th</sup> June** – Infant trip to Marwell

**21<sup>st</sup> June** – Maple trip to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard

**27<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 6 Transition day to Kings'

**16<sup>th</sup> July** – KS2 Production 2pm and 7pm

**17<sup>th</sup> July** – KS2 Production 7pm

**18<sup>th</sup> July** – Leavers' Service 9.10am

**19<sup>th</sup> July** – End of term 1.15pm



**Inset days for 2018-2019**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019**

**St Faith's Extended School Provision**

**May Half term Holiday Club** – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> May

**Breakfast Club** Years R-6 Every day that the school is open. Drop off from 7.30am Breakfast at 8am £4 per booked session and £5 on the day.

**The Ark after school club** Years R-6 Every day the school is open 3.30-5.45pm Monday – Thursday £12 per session or £15 on the day 3.30-5pm Friday £8 per session or £10 on the day.