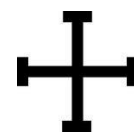




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Lighting the Path

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

We have had a very active start to our final half term of the year. All of the Infants have spent time in Lockburn, we are continuing with our Golden Mile with Key stage 2, Willow have been making Egyptian masks, Maple have been painting their clocks and Beech have started rehearsing their end of term production.

Our theme for collective worship this half term is Respect; showing respect for those around us and for our environment. We thought about Trinity Sunday and talked about the meaning of the Trinity for Christians. We looked carefully at the Celtic knot and how it has no beginning and no end with three equal parts and one whole. The children had fun trying to draw the shape in the air! On Tuesday the Open the Book team retold the story of the Ascension of Jesus with the help of children in Year 2 – Luke 24.

Update on staffing for September 2017

It is with sadness that I am announcing that both Mrs Montgomery and Mrs Harding will be retiring in the Summer. They are valued and long serving members of staff who have had connections with St Faith's as parents and members of staff! Mrs Montgomery is currently the teaching assistant for Maple Class but has worked with many different groups over time and Mrs Harding teaches in Key Stage 2. We will miss them both!

Welcome

I am delighted to announce that after a very successful year as a School's Direct trainee, Mrs Buchanan has been appointed as the Year 4 teacher from September teaching English and Maths. I am also delighted that Mrs Choules will be taking over Mrs Harding's role and will be working with classes across the school.

STEM project in Beech Class



Year 6 are now in project groups for their STEM project to design and build a rocket. Each member of the team has a different role. This week they have been designing the nose of the rocket and have

had to do some very careful measuring and thoughtful purchasing to be as economic with the essential materials as possible.

Cathedral Day for Year 6

Beech Class will be walking to Winchester Cathedral next Wednesday to carry out some special workshops and to be part of a service for Year 6 children in Hampshire Church Schools. The St Faith's leavers' service for parents will be held at St Cross on the final Tuesday of the term at 9.10am.

Ancient Egyptian Topic in Willow Class



Willow Class had a very exciting art afternoon on Tuesday when they started to make their Egyptian face masks using cardboard and papier mache.

They are now drying ready to be painted according to the child's design. The children in Willow Class have also been bringing in a variety of food items to taste made from ingredients of the time. The children have enjoyed talking to the rest of the class about their food and how they have made them. The class are looking forward to their visit to Highclere Castle next week. Thank you very much to all of the parents who have supported these projects.



Infants visit Lockburn

The Infants had a very exciting morning in Lockburn on Wednesday when they carried out all sorts of different activities in the area. Groups did pond dipping with the teachers and had fun naming the creatures using identification cards. A large



damsel nymph caused great excitement! The children drew



different things in Lockburn and used magnifying glasses to look closely at details. They were very keen to show me a



very long worm! They built dens for the school animals which represent our values and used sticks



and leaves to make sure they were comfortable! They also used sticky tape to create their own bracelets from leaves which they were very proud of. It was great to see all of the children exploring the area and talking about what they were doing.

Sports Day

We are really hoping that the weather will be fine for our annual **Sports Day on Friday 23rd June at 9am** on the school field. You are all invited to bring a chair or picnic rug and to come and watch the different races. The Sports Day House Trophy is always hotly contested!



Year 3 learn the Recorder



Mrs Harding is teaching all of Year 3 to play the recorder this term and they are enjoying playing along to lively backing tracks. They will be performing a concert for their parents later in the month.

Year 4 Listen2Me

All of the Year 4 children are learning to play the ukulele this term as part of their Listen2Me tuition. They are having great fun singing and playing along with their ukulele!



Vacancy for Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant

We are looking to appoint a supervisory assistant to join our great lunchtime team on a Monday and a Thursday from 11.45-1pm. Please let the office know if you are interested in applying for one or both of these days.



House Cup Winners of the Week

Congratulations to all of the children in **Wykeham House** for gaining the most House Points this week!

Tidy Classroom and Cloakroom Award

The cleaners award for this week is for : **Maple Class**
- Well done!

Workers of the Week

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

Oak: **Violet and Ella**

Silver Birch: **Yasmine and Noah**

Willow: **Edward and Laurie**

Maple: **Myla and Robert**

Beech: **Maddie and Faith**



St Faith's Crosses

Wilf - for showing care of nature

Matilda - for demonstrating great patience

Leo - for always being so polite

Max - for being polite and helpful

Morgan - for being an encouraging friend

Jemima - for being a loyal friend

James and Molly - for great team spirit

Hal - for using his initiative and making some props at home

Ava - for always being polite and responsible

Message from Mrs Landen re Hat Fair Helpers

Maple Class will be going to the Hat Fair on the morning of 30th June and Mrs Landen would like as many helpers as possible to accompany the class. Please let her know if you are able to help.

Forthcoming Inset days

Monday 4th September 2017 Friday 17th November 2017

Friday 27th January 2018 Monday 26th February 2018

Monday 4th June 2018 **Dawn James**

Message from St Faith's School Association

St Faith's Summer Fete Friday 16th June from 3.30pm-6.00pm.

- Nearly new books / Toys etc.
- Cakes / baked goods for Saloon/Tea stall
- Fill a jar
- Make your dream catcher for 16th am
- Help on the day from 2pm
- Support your year with stall rotas

Dream Catchers Competition

All of the children are invited to create their own dreamcatchers which will be displayed around the school field. Information about this and a paper plate has been given out to every child.

Message from St Cross

St Cross Fete Saturday 24th June, from 2pm -5pm. An annual event, not to be missed! Punch & Judy, side shows with prizes, toy stall, model railway, refreshments and much more, set in the beautiful gardens of St Cross Church. The school will be running the mixed tombola stall. Mrs Crump would be delighted to receive any items in good condition for this stall.

Plea from Mrs Wetherell - Chipped crockery please!

Please could you send in any chipped crockery for a stall at the St Cross Fete!

Letters sent out this Week

Infants - Lepe Beach visit

Year 6 - Cathedral visit

Year 3 - Recorder concert

Please let the office know if you have not received these

Dates for your diary Spring term 2017

14th June - Year 6 Cathedral Day

15th June - Willow Class to Highclere Castle

16th June - St Faith's Summer Fete

22nd June- Helping children to manage friendships talk at Kings by Lorraine Lee (for all St Faith's parents) 7pm

23rd June - Sports Day 9.am

27th June - Class photos

29th June - Year 6 Induction day at Kings

29th June - Recorder concert 3pm

30th June - Infant visit to Lepe Beach

30th June - Hat Fair for Maple

10th July - Stream dipping for Silver Birch and Beech

12th July - KS2 performance 2pm and 7pm

13th July - Ukulele concert for Year 4 parents 1.30pm

13th July - KS2 performance 7pm

13th July - Year 5 taster day at Kings'

14th July - Year 4 French day at Kings'

14th and 17th July - Take One Picture Exhibition

18th July - Egyptian day for Willow

25th July - Year 6 Leaver's Service for parents 9.10am

25th July - End of term 1.15pm

Lost property and naming items. Spot checks!

A large number of un-named items have been appearing at the office recently - drinks bottles, food containers, items of clothing. Please could parents ensure that *everything* is named - teachers will be carrying out spot checks next week! Table Points will be given out!!

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