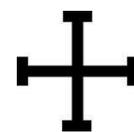




ST. FAITH'S

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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 been making the most of the amazing weather this week. Beech Class set off for Beaulieu on Monday morning and have had a great time at the centre doing their farm jobs and going on their various trips. I joined them on Wednesday for their night walk which was very exciting! The other classes have all been out and about and most have visited Lockburn. All of the Year R children have stayed for lunch this week and I



have been really impressed by the way in which our Year 5 children have been looking after them on the field and showing them the St Faith's way! They have been displaying our values of Trust and Love very well. Our collective worship on Monday continued with our work on Generosity and was about the Widow's Mite and how the poor widow actually gave far more of what she had than the rich man. On Tuesday the Open the Book team retold the story of Creation -Genesis 1, with children taking the part of the different animals.

Parent Outcome about Beech's Week in Beaulieu
Mrs Hanson would like to invite parents to the hall on Thursday 22nd September at 2.30pm to hear about the residential trip to Beaulieu Outdoor Centre and the activities that were carried out.

House Captain Elections

We were delighted that so many of our Year 6 children wrote letters of application to become a House Captain. Mrs Hanson and I interviewed them all and it was clear from the responses that they had thought carefully about the role. All of the applicants demonstrated our school value of Courage. We had to make some difficult decisions and those who were not selected on this occasion will be given roles of responsibility in the near future.

Congratulations to the following children:-

Beaufort House

House Captain : Oscar

Vice House Captain : Evie

Wykeham House

House Captain : Charlie

Vice House Captain : Emma

De Blois House

House Captain : Flora

Vice House Captain: Dylan

Fox House

House Captain : Grace

Vice House Captain : Hal

Curriculum Evening for Year R parents

Miss Berry will be leading a curriculum information evening for all Year R parents on Tuesday 27th September at 6pm. She will explain how we teach phonics and what a typical day of learning looks like in our Reception class. Parents will also be given ideas of how to support their child's learning at home.



Open Morning for Year R September 2017

We will be holding our open morning for prospective parents on Wednesday 5th October 2016 from 9.30-10.30am. There will be a tour around the school and a

presentation about the school.

Journey Topic in the Infants

The children in Year R have been talking about their journey to school this week and thinking about the vocabulary used to describe their journey. Year 1 and Year 2 went on a walk from their classroom to Lockburn and had to think in small stages about the direction they went in to get there. The children then wrote a series of instructions to take the reader on their journey.

Performance Poetry in Year 3

Year 3 have been learning about performance poetry and have been working on expression and volume when reciting their lines. They used instruments to accompany the Sound Collector and have been having fun reciting a poem called "Louder" by Roger Stevens

Whole school focus on reading aloud at home

Thank you to everyone who has responded to our plea for all parents to listen to their children read aloud regularly during the week and to ask questions about the text. Please could you ensure that the pages heard are recorded in the reading diaries by yourself or the child.



Book for recording names of children who have displayed St Faith's Christian Values

One of the outcomes from the last Parent Voice meeting was to have a special book in which anyone can record the names and actions of a child who has displayed something to do with our values of **Courage, Trust, Love and Hope**. This could be something that a parent has observed about another child. The book can be written in or a message can be sent to the office to go in the book. We would really like parents to contribute to this and the child mentioned will receive a special certificate.

Year 5 get to know their Maple Tree

Maple class had a close look at their Maple Tree in the top playground. They thought of a wide range of poetic phrases to describe the magnificent tree.

Like a teacher, she stands there watching the happy children play. Anna

The tree is like a king on a throne,

sitting straight and proud. Toby

The tree's trunk is as wrinkly as an old man's face. Elizabeth

The leaves are a protection blanket for the fragile branches. Dylan



Workers of the Week

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

Oak: **Harrison and Zac**

Silver Birch: **Yasmine and Polly**

Willow: **Tom and Arthur**

Maple: **Molly and Poppy**



St Faith's Crosses

Lucas – for showing great listening skills during carpet time

Bea – for being a helpful and upbeat member of the class!

Ava – for being kind, caring and helpful

Zac – for always saying thank you

Thomas – for excellent commitment to his monitor job

Rory - for being a super handy helper

Findlay – for sharing his things willingly and generously

Finn – for being welcoming in his friendship

Inset Days for 2016-2017

Monday 21st November 2016

Friday 27th January 2017

Monday 6th March 2017

Friday 26th May 2017

Dawn James

Community News

Winchester College Primary Schools Chess Club

Winchester College boys organise and run a weekly Chess Club for primary school children of all ages and abilities. The club is absolutely free, all equipment is provided, and for dedicated players there is even a chocolate reward at the end of the hour!

During the Autumn Term, members of the club are able to qualify for the UK Chess Challenge Hampshire Megafinal. To compete, children must attend on each of the seven nominated weeks. The best players from around the county compete at the Megafinal which is held in May.

Thursdays 4.00-5.00 p.m. Porters' Lodge, College Street

All children and their parents must sign in and out of the Porters' Lodge in College Street.

If you have any queries please contact Dr Follows (Teacher i/c Chess), by email dif@wincoll.ac.uk

Message from St Faith's School Association

New parents coffee morning Friday 23rd September after drop off. All reception & new parents to the school are invited to a coffee morning at Mary Jones's house. Siblings welcome. 114 St Cross Road. Left out of Cripstead Lane, house is on opposite side of the road.

Message from St Cross

Hospital of St Cross Michaelmas Fair



Saturday 24th September 10am-4pm

20 Craft Stalls and more! Refreshments, Bouncy Castle and entertainment by The Madding Crowd. Entry £3 Children free. Free parking

Message from St Faith's Community

Fete in aid of Red Cross this Saturday (17th) on the school field 11am – 3.30pm

A group of ex St Faith students, including Ruth Kilgannon, Alice Honigmann, Lily Brenchley & Maisie Harris (all now in year 9), have organised a fete this Saturday, raising money for refugees. All profits will go to the Red Cross appeal. Please come along and support them – there will be food, cakes, craft stalls, games, including throw the bean bag, beat the goalie and other favourites. There's also a cake competition – just bake a cake and bring it down by 12 noon to enter. Promises to be a fun event. All planned and organised by the students – a great initiative!

Letters/Emails sent home this week

Oak and Silver Birch – Infant toys

Maple Class – Forest Trip

Please let Mrs Crump know if you have missed any of these

Dates for Your Diary Autumn Term 2016

22nd September – Parent outcome for Y6 parents 2.30pm

21st-23rd September – Year 4 residential to Minstead

27th September – Year R Curriculum evening 6pm

28th September – Parent Voice Group 3pm

30th September – Parent outcome for Y4 parents 9.45am

13th October – Maple trip to New Forest

24th -28th October – Half term

9th November – Parent outcome for YR,1 and 2 parents

29th November and 1st December – Parent Evenings

7th December – Parent outcome for Maple

Friday 16th December - End of term 1.15pm



WINCHESTER

TEACHING SCHOOL ALLIANCE

Are you interested in a career in teaching?

St Faith's is very involved in the School Direct training route into the teaching profession and is part of the Winchester Teaching School Alliance working with the University of Winchester. If you have a degree and you are interested in becoming a teacher do come and talk to Mrs James. It is a one year course with 80% of time based in school and 20% on training days. There will be an information evening on Tuesday 4th October at 6.30pm at The Westgate School.