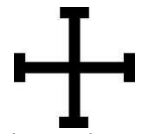




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Lighting the Path

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

There seems to have been a lot going on at St Faith's during the past two weeks in spite of two snow days! We have had a performance of Risen the musical for KS2, a fire pit experience in Lockburn for every class, sharing of books for World Book Day and trips to Butser Hill, the Natural History Museum in London and Pizza Express in Winchester! The postponed skipping workshop has now been rescheduled for May. The Open the Book team concluded their story of Joseph and the technicolour dreamcoat and then retold the Bible story of the unforgiving servant *Matthew 18* with the message about treating others as you would wish to be treated yourself. Phillip led collective worship at the beginning of the week on the theme of Justice and making wise decisions.

World Book Day and Wells Book Fair March 16th

A huge number of children brought in their favourite book to share with the rest of the class and it has been great to have such a focus on books which are special to the children.

Wells Book shop will be bringing a large selection of books to St Faith's next Friday afternoon – March 16th. All of the children will have the opportunity to look at the books and to purchase a book if they so wish. It will be open to parents after school. All of the children will also have the opportunity to spend their £1 book voucher from World Book Day either on a £1 book or towards a book of higher cost.

Risen the Musical

Key stage 2 were treated to a performance of Risen the Musical from the Mustard Seed Company last week. Five actors retold the story of the resurrection through song with effective backgrounds and lighting. It was a message full of hope and the children enjoyed joining in with singing and clapping. We will be following it all up in our Easter service at the church.



Year 3 visit to Pizza Express



Miss Whiteman and a group of parents took Year 3 to Pizza Express on Tuesday as part of their learning about how to write instructions. They were taught how to make pizzas step by step and chose their own toppings. They were very pleased with their results and were proud to take home tea for the family!

Bike rack is ready for use!



We are very grateful to Mr Crump for all the hard work he has done in order to create a space at the front of the school for our new bike rack which holds 16 bikes.

Children can park their bikes in the rack at their own risk. The responsibility of a child cycling to and from school sits entirely with the parent. The bikes cannot be left overnight in the rack.

Butser Hill Trip for Willow and Maple Class



Both classes went off to Butser Hill last week to experience life in the Iron Age. All of the children and the staff were dressed up for

the freezing weather and were provided with hot drinks! They had a great time doing various activities such as weaving, looking at artefacts and making rings. They sat around the fire in the round house and learnt about life and food for people who lived at that time. Thank you to all of our helpers!



MindUp

The children have been actively contributing to our mindfulness display by adding post-it notes about their understanding of the brain and how this helps with learning. We are already seeing the impact of the mindfulness training in the way that children are taking more ownership of their learning which is great!



Mindfulness at the Fire Pit!

Each class recently had a visit to the fire pit for a popcorn experience! Mr Crump chopped up wood for very successful fires for the children to sit and watch. Beech class cooked

tortillas as part of their topic on the Mayans and all of the classes cooked popcorn. They practiced mindful listening, looking and tasting of the popcorn and enjoyed the results! Thank you very much to Mr Crump!



Beech Class visit the Natural History Museum

Year 6 children had an exciting trip to London last Monday which Ms John had arranged to extend their learning of their science topic of evolution. The trips to and from school were great and the children were a real credit to the school throughout the day. They spent time in the dinosaur area finding out about ways in which they were adapted for their diets. They carried out a fact finding treasure hunt in the human evolution section and even talked some French to a French teacher! They researched Mary Anning, the famous fossil collector and carried out a workshop in Investigate where they got the chance to be scientists and use microscopes, weighing scales and measuring apparatus to find out more about their chosen artefacts. Thank you to all of the parents who came with us.



Ipads in Use

The Ipads have already proved to be a great learning tool. For example Years 3 and 4 are carrying out Rock Star Challenge to aid the learning of times tables and the incentive to know the tables at speed is very effective! Year 6 have been using the new Green screen with the ipads to take photos with various backgrounds for their Mayan topic.

House Cup Winners of the Week

Congratulations to all of the children in **Beaufort House** for working hard and for gaining the most House Points this week.



Workers of the Week

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

Oak: **Ava Tupou and Freya Milligan**

Silver Birch: **Claudia Firth and Alex Jenks**

Willow: **Magnus Bradbury and Rebekah Sanford**

Maple: **Max Langford and Sasha Rich**

Beech: **Imogen Millar and Ben Oates**

St Faith's Crosses

Harry Grobler – for being polite and honest

Lucy Beer – for taking time to show off her best learning

Toby James-Moore and Hamish Galloway – for helping out without being asked

Flynn Lord, Zac Duke, William Boulter and Jasper

Burrows – for kind support and encouragement of their peers when being the maths experts

Max Milligan and Isla Crooks – for helpfulness in clearing the classroom

Dylan Meacher Nisbet and Daisy Bannister for tidying up for others

Forthcoming Inset days

Monday 4th June 2018

Monday 23rd July 2018

No Nuts in School – check snacks carefully

Please check that any snacks you send in, especially cereal bars, do not contain nuts. This is really important as we have children with a nut allergy in school.

Willow Class and Maple Class Parent Outcome

9.15am Thursday 22nd March

Parents of Willow Class and Maple Class are invited to the outcome for parents of the Iron Age topic which the classes have been doing jointly. This will be in the hall.

Sports Relief – Week beginning 19th March



Wrist bands will be on sale for £1 before and after school. The School Council and the Y6 sports leaders are organising a number of sporting activities for playtimes throughout the week. We will also taking part in the national Billion Steps challenge with the children completing the Golden Mile in different ways.

Open Afternoons for the Whole School

All parents are invited to come into the hall with their children next week to look at the work that has been done this term and to talk about it together.

Wednesday 21st March– Open afternoon for Fox and de Blois 3.30-4.30pm

Thursday 22nd March – Open afternoon for Beaufort and Wykeham 3.30-4.30pm

You are welcome to change your day if your child has a club after school. All clubs will continue as normal.

St Faith's Easter Holiday Club

Marc will be running the Easter Holiday Club from Tuesday 3rd to Friday 6th April 9.00am-3pm. More details will follow soon. Speak to Marc if you would like more information

Letters/emails sent out this week

Years 1 and 2 – Fun sports at Winchester stadium

Year 4 – Brass concert

Please ask at the office if you have not received these

Spring Term 2018

14th March – The Tempest for KS2

15th March – Infants to Southampton Art Gallery

15th March – Willow Class to Winchester Cathedral

16th March – Maple Class to Winchester Cathedral

16th March – Wells Book shop pm

19th – 23rd March – Sports Relief Week

20th March – Year 1 and 2 to Winchester Stadium

21st March – Open afternoon for de Blois and Fox

22nd March – Parent outcome for Maple and Willow 9.15am

22nd March – Brass concert for Year 4 parents

22nd March – Open afternoon for Beaufort and Wykeham

28th March – Easter Service at St Cross 2pm

29th March – End of term 1.15pm

Summer Term 2018

16th April – start of term

14th -18th May – Year 6 SATs week

25th May – Skipping workshop

28th May – 1st June – half term

20th July – End of term 1.15pm

The Ark After School Club Years R-6

Monday - Friday -Runs 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.