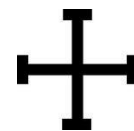




ST. FAITH'S

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

This has been a busy week with parents evenings and trips to the Natural History Museum in London for Year 6 and Pizza Express for Year 3. We have also had many parents and volunteers helping in classes with design technology projects. Unfortunately the football tournament had to be cancelled due to bad weather. It has been rearranged for Tuesday 22nd March. The Christchurch schools' team presented our assembly on Monday which was based on the Easter story. The message was about forgiveness which is one of our school Christian values. On Tuesday the Open the Book team re-enacted the Last Supper with



the help of some children *Mark 14*.

World Book Day

Many of the children in Years 4,5 and 6 brought in books from home to read to groups of the younger children last Friday lunchtime. It was a great success and one that we hope to replicate again in the Summer.



Wells Book Fair 18th March 2016

A reminder that Wells Book shop will be holding a Book Fair in the school hall on Friday 18th March. All of the children will have a chance to look at the variety of books, to spend their World Book Day tokens and to buy a book should they wish. The Book Fair will be open after school as well.

Winchester College Jazz Band

The whole school had a treat on Wednesday afternoon when the Winchester College Jazz Band came to perform in the school hall. The college boys played a variety of pieces and the children were encouraged to clap in time and to do various actions when they heard particular phrases. Each of the boys talked about their instrument and explained how it is played. It was a great experience for the children to see live music being performed and will perhaps have inspired some of them to take up an instrument.



Music Lessons in School Y2-Y6 next September

All booking forms for music lessons for next September need to be returned by Friday 18th March so that we can book the music teachers. Please ask it the office if you need a copy of the letter.

Message from the House Captains

St Faith's Key Stage 2 Bake Off is Here!

Please bring your home-made treat to school on Friday 18th March. You can bake on your own or with a partner. All entries will be judged by a team and all children will vote for their favourite treat. There will be prizes for each year group. Remember to write down a list of the ingredients.



Cake Sale for Sports Relief The treats will be on sale after school to raise money for Sports Relief.

Message from the School Council

Sports Relief Day at St Faith's 18th March 2016

Dressing up for Sports Relief Day £1 donation

We would like everyone to come to school dressed as their favourite sporting star or to come in their favourite sports kit. We are asking for at least £1 donation for the charity. The Infants will do sports activities at lunchtime and KS2 will run the Sport Mile in the afternoon.

Sports Relief Wrist Bands on sale £1

Year 6 visit the Natural History Museum

On Monday Year 6 went to the Natural History

Museum. Firstly we had a fossil workshop where we dug up replica dinosaur skeletons and cleaned the bones with paintbrushes. The scientist told us what the dinosaurs might have looked like. Then we looked at fossils and talked to someone in the character of Mary Anning who collected fossils and asked her lots of questions. After lunch we went into the Investigate workshop where we found information about a tray of artefacts using



magnifying glasses and microscopes. The scientists helped us to do research. Finally we went to see the dinosaur exhibition with a moving dinosaur. On

the way back on the coach we talked about what an interesting day we had all had. Thank you to Ms John and the parent helpers. It was an exciting and educational day for all of us! By Alyshia and Mia

Year 3 Visit to Pizza Express

As part of their English focus on Instructions, Year 3 went to do a workshop at Pizza Express on Thursday morning. They were taught to shape the bases and were told about the different ingredients. They were fascinated to learn that the Margherita Pizza was the result of a request from Queen Margherita of Italy. Each child created their own pizza and then took it home to eat. Thank you to the parent helpers.



E-Safety Tips!

As a school we are committed to ensuring that all of our children are safe whilst using ICT, particularly when surfing the Internet. We have discovered a new app and a safe search engine, which we plan to implement across the school, and the use of which we encourage at home too.

Introducing Kiddle and YouTube Kids!

'Kiddle' is a visual search engine, designed specifically for children and powered by Google safe search. Any potentially inappropriate websites are filtered and the results are ordered in a child-friendly layout, listing webpages which are targeted and hand-picked for kids. Find out more by visiting www.kiddle.co!

'YouTube Kids' is an official YouTube app designed for curious little minds to dive into a world of discovery, learning and entertainment. It is free and very simple to use, allowing children to browse videos and channels they love, while being safe and secure.

House Cup Winners of the Week

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



Workers of the Week

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

Venus: **Noah and Toby**

Neptune: **Arlo and Evie**

Mercury: **Phillip and Thomas**

Saturn: **Flora and Molly**

Jupiter: **Elsa and Pippa**



St Faith's Crosses

Henry – for being polite and caring

Cosima – for being a hard worker

Hal – for excellent manners

Bethany – for tidying up the resource room

Finn – for being an excellent role model

Gabriel – for excellent listening

Poppy and Imogen – for helping to move tables in the classroom

Millie and Tess – for helping others understand compound sentences

Clubs News

There will be no orchestra next week due to the Open Afternoon. All other clubs will finish next week. There will be no clubs after Friday 18th March.

Summer Sports Clubs

Football Clubs will stop for the Summer term and will be replaced by a Summer Sports Club on the same evenings. The first half term will focus on playing striking games and the second half will be on different athletic events. The children will have an opportunity to experience a variety of sports.

Inset Days

Friday 24th June 2016

Roman Day for Mercury and Saturn

Years 3, 4 and 5 will be having a Roman day on Wednesday 16th March as a culmination to their topic. Parents are invited to join them at 2.30pm to see what the children have been learning about.

Parent Outcome for Venus and Neptune

All parents of children in Venus and Neptune are invited to come into the classrooms at 3pm on Thursday 17th March to see the work that the children have been doing on Fire Safety this term.

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 16th March– Open afternoon for Beaufort and De Blois 3.30-4.30pm

Thursday 17th March – Open afternoon for Foxe and Wykeham 3.30-4.30pm

Letters sent home this week

Whole School – Parent governor election

Key Stage 2 – Letter about the Bake Off and Cake Sale

Year 1-Year 5- Instrumental lessons 2016-2017

Year 3 and 4 – Swimming letter

Breakfast Club Booking forms- available from office
Please ask at the office if you require copies of any letters

Message from St Faith's School Association

The juniors are having a "bake off" and will be running the after school cake sale on Friday 18th March in aid of Sports Relief.

The Year 2 cake sale will move to Friday 15th July replacing the Year 6 cake sale.

24th March - Easter Egg Hunt 1.15pm

9th July - Summer Hoedown

Dates for Your Diary

Spring Term 2016

Wednesday 16th March– Open afternoon for Beaufort and De Blois 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 16th March – Parent outcome for Mercury and Saturn 2.30pm

Thursday 17th March- Parent outcome for Venus and Neptune 3pm

Thursday 17th March – Year 4 Samba concert 1.30pm

Thursday 17th March – Open afternoon for Foxe and Wykeham 3.30-4.30pm

Friday 18th March – Sports Relief Day

Friday 18th March – Wells Book Fair

Wednesday 23rd March – Easter Service 2pm followed by Jupiter Cafe

Thursday 24th March – End of term 1.15pm

Summer Term 2016

11th April – Term starts

Wednesday 20th April – Fraction workshop 7pm

9th to 13th May – SATs week for Year 6

30th May to 3rd June – Half term

Wednesday 22nd June- Sports Day 9.15

Thursday 23rd June- Y6 Cathedral Day

Wednesday 20th July – End of term at 1.15pm