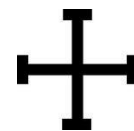




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Lighting the Path

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Lighting the Path... Together: We Learn, We Share, We Pray, We Care

This has been a very quick half term with only four full weeks. Consequently it has also been a very busy half term with so much to fit in! I have been really impressed by the positive learning attitudes that the children



have been displaying. We have had a lot of parents in school this week with parent outcomes for Mercury and Saturn on Wednesday and then Venus and Neptune on Thursday; as well as a drumming concert for Year 4 parents. In addition we also welcomed a large number of parents to our Open afternoons when children shared their learning with their parents. On Monday Father Paul led our whole school assembly on one of our school values: *Look after our school environment and the wider world*. This value comes under the **Care** part of our school vision and is taught through the Christian value of **Hope**. On Tuesday the Open the Book team retold the next part of the Easter story when Jesus died on the cross (*Mark 15*). Next Tuesday the Open the Book team will lead an assembly at St Cross about the Resurrection.

Fire Engines in the Infants

The children in Venus and Neptune have had great fun making their fire engine models using either fixed axles or fixed wheels. They tested their models in the hall last week to see how well they travel across the floor. There was great excitement when some went right across the room!



The children then had to think about how well their model worked and how they could improve it. They have now put on the final details.

Parent Outcome for Venus and Neptune

The children in the Infants were very excited to show their parents what they have been learning about in their Fire Safety topic. They all sang some songs and then proudly showed off their fire engines and their topic work.

Year 4 Samba Drumming concert



The children in Year 4 performed a very effective Samba drumming concert for their parents. They concentrated brilliantly on a variety of rhythms under the guidance of Mr Walker and showed off their skills.

Easter Service at St Cross

A reminder that we are holding our Easter Service at St Cross on Wednesday 23rd March at 2pm. You are then invited to come to Jupiter café for a drink and a hot cross bun.



St Faith's Parent Association School quiz

The annual school quiz was held last Friday. A large number of parents took part in the fun event which comprised of a variety of different rounds! Our thanks go to this year's quiz leaders: The Smyths, the Boulters, the Wheywells and the Langfords who all put a great deal of time and effort into devising and running the quiz. Also thanks to the members of the SFSA committee who organised the event and cooked the meal. Thank you to everyone who supported the quiz event.

Roman Day and Parent Outcome for Mercury and Saturn

The children in Mercury and Saturn had a fun Roman day on Wednesday when they dressed up in togas and carried out a variety of activities including a Latin lesson given by Mrs de



Bono. We were then delighted to welcome a large number of parents to the Roman topic outcome at the end of the day. Parents spent time with the children looking at the displays and talking about the learning in the topic books. All of the children had made their own catapult which had involved following instructions, careful measuring, sawing and drilling using the new DT tools! Each class had a competition in the hall



to see whose catapult shot the furthest. Some of the catapults suffered a bit of a collapse but most worked very well with some shooting more than half way across the hall!



Jupiter perform the Haka

Year 6 have been creating their own Haka dance in PE. They have had to focus on the rhythm, their facial expressions and co-operation in their groups. The final performance was actually quite scary but very effective!

Contact Details - Have we got your latest numbers?

We have had a few instances recently when we have been unable to contact parents when we have needed to. It is really important that we have up to date contact information in the case of an emergency and also that we are able to reach you at any time on the numbers that you give us. Let the office know if you have any changes.

Instructions for making a Pizza

Following their visit to Pizza Express the children in Year 3 have been writing instructions to make a pizza. You may like to follow Sophie instructions!

Ingredients: Pizza dough, mozzarella cheese, tomato puree, ham, pepperoni and any fruit you like.

Method

First sprinkle flour over the table so your dough does not stick to the table.

Next, place your dough on the table and use your fingers to finger print round the edges and mould into the shape.

Then gently press down in the middle of the dough until flat.

After that carefully throw the dough side to side with your hands (this makes the pizza stretch)

When the dough gets thin try slowly flipping the dough up in the air and catch. Claw your hand when you are doing this.

Make sure the dough is in a circle shape.

Check if it's big enough to fit in the pan (it should have quite a lot of space in the pan.)

After that mix cornflour and water together and spread it around the sides of the pan. Put your dough in the pan.

Next dollop a bit of tomato puree on your dough and spread it.

Then add a few slices of pepperoni on one half and put ham on the other side. Sprinkle mozzarella cheese all over the pizza.

Bake in the oven for 8-10 minutes.

House Cup Winners of the Week

Congratulations to all of the children in **Foxe 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: **Dan and Zoe**

Neptune: **Elsbeth and Arthur**

Mercury: **Sophie and Kate**

Saturn: **Imogen and Oscar**

Jupiter: **Poppy and Frank**



St Faith's Crosses

Wilbur – for working extremely hard

Yasmine – for always being kind and caring

Leo – for always being polite

Rory – for always being helpful and polite to adults

Alicia – for showing perseverance

Max – for a positive attitude

Sam and Oscar - for great cleaning away

Evie, Lauren and Elizabeth – for consistent good manners

Alyshia and Mia - for showing kindness towards others

Inset Days

Friday 24th June 2016

Music Lessons in School Y2-Y6 next September

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

Letters sent home this week

Year 2 – SATs information meeting 11/4/16

Whole school – lunchtime menu and information

Breakfast Club Booking forms- available from office

Please ask at the office if you require copies of any letters

Easter at St Cross

All families are welcome to come along to St Cross Church, join us on:

Sunday 20th March, Palm Sunday with Sunday School for the children.

Friday 25th March, Children's Good

Friday service at 9:30am. A different style of service where the children move around the church learning about the Easter story. Lots of props involved!

Sunday 27th March, Easter Service with Sunday School for the children. Easter egg hunt for all children straight after the service.

Sunday 10th April, All Age Service, a shorter service for all the family.

Hope to see you there, Fr Paul.



Message from St Faith's School Association

24th March - Easter Egg Hunt 1.15pm

9th July - Summer Hoedown

Dates for Your Diary

Spring Term 2016

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

Monday 11th April – Year 2 SATS information 3.45pm

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 9.15am

Thursday 23rd June- Y6 Cathedral Day

Wednesday 20th July – End of term at 1.15pm

School Clubs for the Summer Term 2016

Please note that all clubs must be paid for in advance.

Drama Club – Mrs Jones – Mondays from 18th April £67.50 per term

Musical Theatre Club – Miss Whiteman Tuesdays from 12th April 3.30-4.30pm Years 3-5

Gardening Club Y5 and Y6 Mrs Landen Tuesdays from 12th April April 3.30-4.30pm (limited spaces)

Karate Club – Wednesdays from 13th April – Years 1-6 3.30-4.30pm pay direct to the club

Summer Sports Club – Tuesdays from 12th April 3.30-4.30pm Years R,1 and 2 £48

Summer Sports Club – Thursdays from 14th April 3.30-4.30 Years 3-6 £48

Orchestra – Thursdays from 14th April 3.30-4.30pm Mrs Harding KS2

Recorder Clubs, Year 6 Teddy Bear Club and Cross Country Club will continue during school time Please sign up at the office for clubs