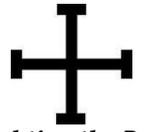




# ST. FAITH'S

## 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*

As we come to the end of this school year it would be true to say that it has been a very busy and challenging year for all involved in education. I am delighted with the way in which the children have coped with the new curriculum and am very pleased with their positive learning attitudes and our end of year results. I hope that you all have a wonderful Summer break with your children. We wish our Year 6 all the very best as they move on to the next stage of their education and we look forward to seeing everyone else back here in September.

This has certainly been a week of performances and we have been delighted to welcome a large number of families into school throughout the week! Father Paul led collective worship on Monday with a theme on the importance of making and learning from mistakes and on Tuesday the Open the Book team retold a story based on **Mark 10** about Jesus always making time for children.

#### Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits



The Year 6 children, supported by singing and dancing from Years 3,4 and 5, provided the large audiences with a fun and polished



performance! Every child spoke, sang and acted with confidence and the timing was perfect for the string of awful jokes! Thanks must go in particular to Mrs Hanson who has put in a great deal of time and effort into producing this wonderful show over the last few weeks.



#### Year 4 Voice Concert

The children in Year 4 gave a lively singing concert under the direction of Miss Kenward, their Listen 2 Me teacher for this term. They clearly enjoyed performing to

their parents and the other children and sang call and response songs and rounds very confidently.

#### Year 3 Recorder Concert

All of Year 3 have been learning the recorder with Mrs Harding this term. They performed a large number of tunes for the audience which got progressively more complicated with more notes. They even managed to play and sing in some pieces!



#### Spanish Fiesta Day in Saturn Class

All of the children in Saturn class came dressed in Spanish costumes on Monday as the culmination of their topic on Spain. The children cooked tapas throughout the day under the guidance of an army of parent helpers and prepared quite a banquet for their parents when they came to the parent outcome in the afternoon.



The class performed a complicated clapping rhythm and Year 5 played very melodious Spanish style music on tuned percussion. The class then danced in groups of four with great flourish! Thank you very much to all of the parents who supported the day.

#### Fun over in Lockburn!



The infants spent a morning in Lockburn this week dipping in the raised ponds and finding a large number of tiny creatures in a small amount of water. They used the magnifying

glasses and the fact sheets to identify what they had found and impressed us by their attention to detail. They were really keen to discuss their findings! Mercury Class had a very exciting time creating journey strings by collecting items as they went around the area. They followed this up with creative writing. Saturn class were nature detectives. They were given six adjectives and asked to spy items that fitted the description. Points were given for the most unusual! Jupiter Class made mud gargoyles which had to have a meaning for the rest of the school so that the Year 6 children could leave them as their legacy to the rest of the school. They have attached their gargoyles in different places in Lockburn.



## Thank you to the SFSA

Thank you so much to Judith McHardy and Emma Gibbs and all of those who have organised, supported and attended the various parent association events this year. The amount raised has made a huge difference to us and enabled us to purchase a large number of extra resources for the children!

## Parent Outcome in Mercury Class

Mercury Class are looking forward to showing their parents their work on Winchester and their ideas for town planning at their parent outcome next week.

## Healthy Living Focus - a stop to birthday sweets

Next year we will be having a focus on promoting healthy living lifestyles for our children. St Faith's will be taking part in the Golden Mile initiative and we are going to have measured trails marked out on the playground and the field to enable the children to clock up their miles through the year. In the light of this healthy focus we have taken the decision to stop the current practice of children bringing in sweets and cakes to hand out on their birthdays from the beginning of next term.

**Congratulations to the following children in Year R for being able to read all of their high frequency words fluently:** Claudia Firth



## House Cup Winners of the Week

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

## House Cup Winners of the Half Term

Congratulations to **Wykeham House** for gaining the most House Points for this half term. Their non-uniform prize day will be on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July**.

## Workers of the Week

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

Venus: **Claudia Firth and Wilbur Trentham**

Neptune: **Emily Hodgkinson and Freddie Langford**

Mercury: **Rosie Hodgkinson and Ben Oates**

Saturn: **Phoebe McKinnon and Imogen Fingerle**

Jupiter: **All of Year 6 for their amazing Performance!**



## St Faith's Crosses

**Agatha Holt** - for always taking care of the environment

**Harry Tilley** - for always going the extra mile to tidy up

**Laurie Sawbridge and Leo Millar** - for always being well behaved

**Tom McHardy** - for always being trustworthy

**Findlay Gibbs** - for displaying a positive attitude

**Flora Armstrong** - for great commitment to drama

**Dylan Meacher-Nisbet and Sam Chacko** - for good team spirit in games

**Yasmin Hibbert and Millie Gibbs** - for always being polite and helpful

## Inset Days for 2016-2017

Monday 5th September 2016

Monday 21st November 2016

Friday 27th January 2017

Monday 6th March 2017

Friday 26th May 2017

**Dawn James**

## Staffing Update

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Buchanan onto our teaching staff next year as she carries out her year's training through the School Direct route with the Winchester Teaching School Alliance. Mrs Buchanan will be placed in Willow Class with Miss Whiteman.

## Message from the St Faith's Parent Association

Thank you to everyone who supported the Barn Dance on Saturday. A lot of fun was had by all & we managed to raise a very impressive £2344.

We'd also like to thank everyone for all their support this year. Together we've raised a staggering £11,500. Thank you.

## Sal's Shoe Appeal 300 million barefoot children worldwide

Thank you so much to all of those who donated shoes to this worthy cause. Mrs Rees has collected over 300 pairs of shoes to send to children in Africa.

## Message from St Cross

One of the charities that St Cross supports, is the Diocese of Muhabura. The children in Muhabura, and in many other areas in Africa, are not permitted to attend school unless they wear a uniform. We would like to collect any unwanted uniform from St Faith's to send out to Muhabura. We will be making a collection of uniform at the school over the next term. **Carol Wade**



# 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 4<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm at The Westgate School.

## Letters/Emails sent home this week

Whole School - Lockburn Open Afternoon

Year R-Year 5 - Transfer information for September

## Dates for Your Diary Summer Term 2016

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July** - Thank you coffee morning for parent helpers 10.30am

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July** - Lockburn Open Afternoon at 3.30pm

**Tues 19<sup>th</sup> July** - New entrant visit and coffee for new parents 10.30-11.30am

**Tues 19<sup>th</sup> July** - Transition morning for all

**Tues 19<sup>th</sup> July** - Mercury outcome for parents 2.30pm

**Tues 19<sup>th</sup> July** - Musical Theatre performance 4.15pm

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July** - Year 6 Leavers' service 9am

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July** - End of term at **1.15pm**

## Autumn Term 2016

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September** - Start of term for all

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September** - Parent Evening for all 7pm

**12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> September** - Year 6 residential to Beaulieu

**21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> September** - Year 4 residential to Minstead

**24<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> October** - Half term

**29<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December** - Parent Evenings

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** - End of term 1.15pm

