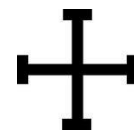




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Lighting the Path

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

This half term seems to have whizzed by as we reach the end of another busy week. Year 6 have been out and about with an activity day at Fairthorne Manor and a trip to the Mayflower Theatre to see Mary Poppins. Year 3 have been to the Search centre for a science trip and all of Year 3 and 4 have completed their swimming lessons at Kings'. We started our week with collective worship led by Father Paul on the theme of Respect for ourselves and other people which comes under our core value of Love. He talked through the ten commandments with pictures which related to the children's understanding and the children gave some really thoughtful responses. On Tuesday the Open the Book team retold the Bible story about Jacob who cheated his brother Esau by fooling their father Isaac. *Matthew 27*. We will find out what happens in part 2 after half term.

Year 6 visit Fairthorne Manor report by Millie



The first activity we did was a team challenge activity when we had to go under tyres, over walls and swing across muddy water. Our leader also sprayed us with water! Then we had to carry cups of water across the course. The team with the most water left could tip it over the other team! Then we went on the zip wires. Many of us were

quite nervous; it was quite high up across quite a fast flowing river. We had harnesses put on and then we had



to step out. One zip wire was very bouncy! Finally we did archery. Lots of people were really good at that and got it at least in the blue. We played a cake and pizza game with archery as well. It

was probably one of the best trips that I have ever been on – and one of the most adventurous!

Year 3 Science trip to the Search Museum by Alasdair and Morgan

We went to the Search Museum and learnt about rocks, fossils and minerals. First we had to pick up an item from a bin and then open the little bag and take out the object. We had a horn and a mineral. Next we split up into teams of different colours and played activities and games. We had to draw a rock and write down properties. We also had to work out what type of rock or mineral we had by using a key and in another one we had to put our hand in and feel things. We felt a badger's ski!. We sorted out different rocks through sieves. We had to sort out foods into minerals and we found out that toothpaste is made from a mineral called fluorite.

Junior Road Safety Assembly

George and Maddie, our Junior Road Safety Officers, gave a road safety talk to the whole school on

Thursday afternoon. They showed a

cartoon about a boy who crossed

the road on a bend and got knocked down. They then

went through the Green Cross Code with everyone and

got children out to demonstrate

how not to cross a road and

then how to cross a road safely.

They gave the children clear

messages about what to do and

related it to the crossings

outside school. Please ask your

child to repeat the messages to you to reinforce

everything.



Mary Poppins at the Mayflower Theatre

Year 6 were very excited to go on a trip to the Mayflower Theatre in Southampton on Wednesday evening as a treat after all of their hard work and very positive learning attitude towards their SATs. It was an amazing production which had us all spellbound with the special effects, creative scenery changes and very strong cast.

Go for Gold Reading Challenge

We have given all of the children from Year 2 to Year 6 a reading challenge run by the School Library Service which is connected to the seven values of the Olympic and Paralympic Games. They can choose to complete 5 challenges to gain a Reading Pentathlon certificate or 10 challenges to gain a Reading Decathlon certificate. Each child in these year groups should be able to show you their Go for Gold Passport. Please could you support them to complete their reading challenges. We would like all passports in by July 8th and certificates will be handed out at the end of the term.



Topics in the Infants

The infants have thoroughly enjoyed their topic about Pets this half term. Thank you very much to all of those who brought their pets into school to further the learning. Nearly all of the questions that the children posed at the beginning of the topic have been answered and they have produced some lovely writing from a hedgehog's point of view after their visit to Lockburn last week! They are now thinking about their next topic about Africa and are busy creating mind maps about what they already know about Africa and what they would like to find out! They are keen to find out about the animals in Africa amongst other things.

Swimming Lessons for Year 3 and 4

Year 3 and 4 have now completed their seven swimming lessons at Kings with instructors from Wessex Swimming School. Miss Whiteman has been really pleased with the positive attitude demonstrated by all of the children during their lessons and by the progress that they all have made. We wish to particularly thank Mrs Burrows who went into the water each week with our less confident swimmers. Her support has been invaluable to those children.

Den Day for Venus and Neptune

Thank you for your support for our forthcoming Den Day on Thursday 23rd June when the Infants will join Save the Children for their national Den Day in aid of children who have not got a safe place to sleep at night. The children will be creating their dens in groups in the morning and will then be given some time in the afternoon to use them. We will be inviting parents to come and hear about the project and see the dens at the end of the day. Please let us know if you would like to help us in the morning with the project.

House Cup Winners of the Week

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



Winners of the Half Term House Cup

Congratulations to all of those in **Beaufort House** for achieving the most Achievement Points this half term. Their non-uniform prize will be on **Thursday 9th June**.

Workers of the Week

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

Venus: **Henry and Ava**

Neptune: **Theo and Evelyn**

Mercury: **Sam, Kate and Sienna**

Saturn: **James and Sam**

Jupiter: **Archie and Yasmin**

St Faith's Crosses

William – for showing great concentration

Clara – for always being thoughtful and kind

Annabelle, Arthur and Evie – for being polite and helpful

Rosie – for being a thoughtful and encouraging friend

Lara – for always showing courage and determination

Madeleine – for great courage in sharing her knowledge

Hal – for thoughtfulness in the classroom

Oscar and Emma – for great team spirit.

Lara and Mia – for always being polite and cheerful



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

Reminder about information on our School Website

<http://st-faiths.hants.sch.uk> We have a lot of information about the school and the curriculum on our school website. There is also a public calendar of events which many parents find useful. Miss Whiteman works hard to keep the School Blog up to date and welcomes comments from the children about the blogs.

Summer Sports Clubs

The KS1 and KS2 Summer Sports clubs are being very well attended this term. The children are learning a range of skills and are partaking in a variety of different sports on the school field. Please note that our Sports leaders will be on a training course for the week after half term. Therefore there will be no Summer Sports Clubs on Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th June.

Letters sent home this week

Whole School – Queen's 90th Birthday picnic

Year 6 - Costume letter

PH Sports Breakfast Club booking forms for Summer 2

PH Sports Holiday Club for May Half term

Please ask at the office if you need a copy of any of the above.

Message from St Faith's School Association

Summer Fete : 17th June 3.30-6pm

See the fliers for more information. Any offers for help will be gratefully received!

Saturday 9th July Barn Dance - Littleton Hall

Save the date & book your babysitters. It's time to get together with friends for a barn dance, hog roast & lots of fun. Details to follow & tickets on sale next term.

Dates for Your Diary Summer Term 2016

30th May to 3rd June – Half term

Wednesday 8th June – New Yr R (Sept 16) meeting 6.30

Friday 10th June – Queen's 90th Picnic on the field

Thursday 16th June – Flute concert for parents

Monday 20th June – Infant trip to Marwell

Wednesday 22nd June- Sports Day 9.15am

Wednesday 22nd June - Minstead Information Y3 6pm

Thurs 23rd June – Den building day for the Infants

Thursday 23rd June- Y6 Cathedral Day

Wednesday 27th June – Lorraine Lee talk at Kings

Friday 1st July – Saturn Class to Hat Fair

Friday 1st July – Kings' Induction day

Monday 4th July – African workshops for the Infants

Tuesday 5th July – Class photographs

Wednesday 6th July – Parent Voice group

Monday 11th July – Spanish Fiesta day – Saturn

Tuesday 12th July - End of year performance 7pm

Weds 13th July- End of year performance 2pm

Thurs 14th July – Listen2Me Voice concert Y4 parents 1.30pm

Thurs 14th July – End of year performance 7pm

Thurs 14th July – Year 5 Taster day at Kings'

Wednesday 20th July – End of term at **1.15pm**

Autumn Term 2016

Tuesday 6th September – Start of term for all

Inset Days

Friday 24th June 2016