



ST. FAITH'S

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

The children have been enjoying using our new artificial grass area on the playground and spending time on the school field this week. We have had a chamber concert quartet performing in school for Willow and Maple and a Year 3 and 4 team have taken part in the annual school Tri Golf Tournament.

The Deanery Schools Team led our collective worship on Monday and retold the Bible story about the Road to Emmaus with the theme that Christians believe that God comes alongside us, so we should come alongside others. On Tuesday the Open the Book team from St Cross continued with the Easter story and retold the Bible story of the empty tomb and how Jesus had risen. Luke 24.

As a school we continue to focus on our school values of courage, trust, love and hope. We are particularly thinking about our Hedgehog who stands for learning and courage. We have a hedgehogs on the school field so the hedgehog is very relevant to the school!



Eco committee plant up vegetable bed



On Friday Mr Crump taught the Eco committee how to plant the vegetables that had been grown from seed. The children were delighted to see how much the potatoes had grown in the new

bed since they planted them before Easter. The children planted courgettes, squash and gherkins and prepared the soil for the next plants. We have also been given some tomato plants. The school has now achieved Level 1 and 2 of the RHS School Gardening Awards. The committee are now going to think of ways in which we can attract bees and butterflies to the flower bed. We are very grateful to have been donated a water butt which is now in use by the games shed and we have purchased gardening gloves and some child size tools from donations from parents. Thank you!

Year 3 Class learn about Climate Change

In Science Year 3 are learning about climate change and the effects of pollution. They had a discussion about what is happening to our environment as a result and what needs to be done for the future. They then wrote postcards to the government about their thoughts and ideas. The children are quite passionate about it all!

*At school we are learning about climate change. Climate change means long-term changes which affect rain patterns and temperatures. To stop this we need to use less fuel so we should turn off lights, unplug electric devices and walk and cycle from **Toby Y3***

Upper Playground Refurbished

Mr and Mrs Crump spent quite a few days in the Easter holiday laying a new artificial grass area in the upper playground which was purchased with some of our Sports Funding grant. This has made a huge improvement to the area and the children are really enjoying using the softer surface for their games.



How to look after a Rabbit!

As part of their topic about Pets, Years 1 and 2 have been writing instructions about how to look after a pet rabbit thinking carefully about their use of vocabulary and sentence structure.

*There are many different types of rabbit. They come in many different shapes, sizes and colours. Pet rabbits are full of character but you have to make sure they are happy and healthy. **Freddie Y2***

Home – Make sure that your rabbit's hutch is safe from predators like foxes. The hutch needs to be weather proof from sun, wind and rain. Your rabbits's hutch needs to be 3m by 2m x 1m so it can have a really good stretch. **Matilda Y2**

Food – They need pellets and fresh food like vegetables. They need water. Make sure their hay is in a rack to keep it clean and fresh so that the rabbit doesn't get tummy ache. **Alice Y2**

Care – Your rabbit likes to keep you company so you need to play with it. Also you need to clean out its hutch. There are lots of toys that rabbits like. Give them something they can jump on, a sand pit for digging in and boxes and a toilet roll so they can chew and hide. **Alex Y2**

Concert by the Sacconi Quartet



Years 3,4 and 5 were treated to a marvellous concert on Thursday morning performed by the Sacconi Quartet as part of the Winchester Chamber Music Festival. It was a special concert for schools and the children were taught about the violin, viola and cello and a number of Italian musical terms. The quartet played a range of well known classical pieces and encouraged the children to use their imagination as they listened. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children to see a live performance given by professional musicians and no doubt it will have inspired our musicians to keep on practicing their instruments! The quartet will be playing in Winchester over the weekend.



Counting to 100 in Year R

Year R have had a counting week this week and have been learning to count up to 100 in ones and tens!

Hat Fair Designs by Maple Class

Maple Class will be taking part in the annual Winchester Hat Fair in July.



Miss Phillips is working with the class to create their costumes for the parade based on a Woodland theme.

Each child has drawn a design and Miss Phillips is selecting ideas from different children for the final costume design. Maple will be making their costumes in the coming weeks. Designs by Evelyn and Flynn.

Abstract writing in Year 6

Beech class watched a video about the passage of light. They then wrote an abstract passage in the first person with their own ideas for the title "Passing through".

*As I start my intricate journey to the end of the earth; to the beginning of time when the first tick of the clock could be heard, I am one of the most vague, significant unimaginable things. I have the ability to travel through faster than light itself. As swift and elegant as a ballet dancer on the wind, I leave my trail of water as I make my meandering way across the world. At first I visit the wonders of a mesmerizing waterfall as its gushing, thread-like strands of water become subdued into silence as I pass. Then I behold the lapping waves of the undiscovered ocean where the seething water inside of me comes spiralling out in an intricate pattern. I start my skimming way across a barren, rocky and unkempt desert of sorts. My journey continues until the darkness of sleep descends and the constellations of imagination fall over this work and engulfs it in stories of old; as I finish my mission of making two worlds unite. **By Lara Y6***

House Cup Winners of the week!

Congratulations to all of the children in **Wykeham House** for gaining the most achievement points for this week.



Workers of the Week

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

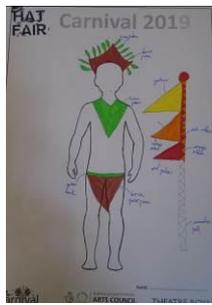
Oak: **Esther and Delilah**
Silver Birch: **Blythe and Finlay**
Willow: **William and Ava**
Maple: **Rory and Flynn**
Beech: **Sofia and Max**

St Faith's Crosses

William – for inspiring his peers to be creative
Lorienne – for showing care to her belongings
Edward – for a positive attitude towards his learning
Tess – for tidying up effectively after topic activity time
Harry – for a fantastic attitude towards his learning
Thor – for complimenting others
George – for showing politeness to both children and adults
Oliver – for being kind and polite in class
Gabriel and Poppy – for consistent good manners

Use of the school field out of school hours

The school field can be used by all families who have a child at the school. We have three official key holders who all live very



Walk to School Week

Monday 20th to Friday 24th May

We would like to encourage as many children as possible to walk, scooter or cycle to school during the week. If you live too far away to walk please park further away and walk from there. All children who use sustainable travel to and from school during the week will receive a certificate.



Winchester Teaching School Alliance

Are you interested in a career in teaching? St Faith's have been involved in the School Direct teacher training programme for a number of years which is a school based training route into teaching carried out in primary and secondary schools in the area with Winchester University. There will be an information evening about it on Wednesday 8th May from 6.30-8.00pm at The Westgate Lower School.

Message from St Cross



Sunday 12th May 9.30am Parish Eucharist for all ages – a shorter, simpler service designed to include both adults and children. All welcome!

Message from the St Faith's School Association

Thank you so much to all who have already signed up to be on the WhatsApp groups. As a quick reminder the 'PTA main' group is for those who want to have a more active involvement in the PTA, and the 'PTA backup' is for those who would like to help but have less time to spare. If you haven't already put your name forward you can ask Camilla, Frankie, or your year Rep to add you. There is now also a designated PTA email: ptastfaiths@gmail.com Please feel free to get in touch. Many Thanks, Camilla & Frankie

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13th May – Year 6 SATs week
20th – 24th May – Walk to school week
21st May – Y6 Greek workshop at Winchester College
21st May Y5 parents Beaulieu Information evening 6pm
23rd May Sex Ed Information evening 6pm Y5/6 parents
22nd May - New Year R Parent Information evening
23rd May – Year 6 to St Cross Hospital
27th – 31st May – Half term
3rd June – Y3 Swimming lessons at Kings' start for 5 weeks
4th June – Drama workshops for KS2
6th June – Minstead Information evening 6pm Y3 parents
12th June – Sports Day 9.15am
14th June – SFSA School Fair
19th June – Infant trip to Marwell
19th June – Willow trip to Southampton Art Gallery
19th June – Year 6 Cathedral day
20th June – Year 6 Mayflower matinee
21st June – Maple trip to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard
27th June – Year 6 Transition day to Kings'
5th July – Maple Class to Winchester Hat Fair
8th July – Year 6 to Calshot Activity Centre
11th July – Year 4 Brass concert for parents 1.30pm

close to the school: Mrs Wright, Mrs Bone and Mrs Shaw (details from the school office). Everyone who uses the field must complete the **Terms of agreement** which the key holders will provide. There **must always** be a responsible **adult** on the field. Please note that as part of our agreement with the local residents, the field cannot be used after 7 pm on week days or after 6pm on Saturdays and not on Sunday afternoons after 1pm.

Hiring of the school field for parties

We do hire out the field for a fee to families of children at the school for parties or picnics. Please book with the school office. Again **terms of agreement for hiring** the field must be followed. (When a booked party is in progress, the field cannot be used by others.)

11th July – Year 3 Recorder concert for parents 3pm

16th July – KS2 Production 2pm and 7pm

17th July – KS2 Production 7pm

18th July – Leavers' Service 9.10am

19th July – End of term 1.15pm

Inset days for 2018-2019

Monday 22nd July 2019

Tuesday 23rd July 2019

St Faith's Extended School Provision

May Half term Holiday Club – Tuesday 28th-31st May

Summer Holidays Clubs – 22nd -26th July and 12th -19th August

Let the office know if you wish to reserve a place on any of these Holiday clubs

Breakfast Club Years R-6 Every day that the school is open. Drop off from 7.30am Breakfast at 8am £4 per booked session and £5 on the day.

The Ark after school club Years R-6 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.