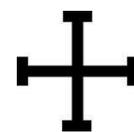




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Lighting the Path

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

In spite of the inclement weather this week we have managed to continue with most of our outside activities and we have also had a number of visitors in school. Key Stage 2 started Tri-golf in their games lessons and a team of Year 5 and 6 were involved in an interschools basket ball tournament. Philip has been in to talk to Willow Class about the Lord's Prayer and the Winchester College Jazz band performed a concert to the whole school.



The Christchurch school's team led our collective worship on Monday and told how Jesus washed the feet of his disciples showing that he cared for his friends by serving them and we should do the

same. They have given every child a little card with some ideas of small things they can do to help others. Hopefully you will have noticed something at home! On Tuesday the Open the Book team retold the story of Hannah's prayer *1 Samuel 18.2* with the help of some children.

Music Mark for St Faith's

We set great store on our wider curriculum beyond our focus on the core subjects and are therefore very pleased that we have been awarded a national Music Mark after recommendation following a visit from Hampshire Music service. It is for all that St Faith's does to "ensure that pupils at the school are able to access and engage with a high-quality music education."

School Orchestra to start from February half term

We are very pleased that the Music Service have found someone to lead our school orchestra from after half term on Thursdays from 3.30-4.30. This is open to any child in KS2 who currently learns an instrument in school or at home. Let us know if you are interested.

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.

Year 4 have Brass Lessons!

All of Year 4 are learning how to play brass instruments with Mr Walker this term as part of the Listen2Me project. There will be a concert at the end of term!

Tri-golf lessons for KS2

Marc is teaching tri-golf to each of the classes in KS2 this term which enables children to learn early golf skills. We have purchased our own Tri-golf set out of our Sports Premium funding which the children are enjoying using. We will be entering an inter schools Tri-golf tournament in April with teams from each KS2 year group.



Big School Bird Watch – next week!



We will be taking part in the Big School Bird Watch again next week with every class going to Lockburn to make a tally of the number of birds they see. The children will be

going over whatever the weather and **will definitely require wellington boots and coats** as well as hats and scarves if the weather is cold. The timetable is as follows:-

Beech Class – Monday 29th January

Willow and Maple – Tuesday 30th January

Silver Birch and Oak – Thursday 1st February

Infants write about Adventures of the Queen!

The infants are learning about Queen Elizabeth and their writing this week has been based on a fun picture book entitled "The Queen's Hat" by Steve Antony in which a sudden gust of wind sets off all sorts of adventures around London as the Queen tries to recover her hat. The children have been writing the story in their own words using time words to order their writing and exclamatory sentences!

The Queen was on her way to visit someone special but her hat blew away. It went swish through London Zoo it swept around the animals. Next it swept onto the London Eye. It was quite a ride. It floated across Tower Bridge. After that the hat blew over Big Ben. The Queen was the first to make it to the top!! Finally it landed on Princess Charlotte at Kensington Palace. **By Mario Y1**

Early one morning the Queen went to see someone special but because the wind was so strong her hat blew off. Then she went to London Zoo. She rode on one of the giraffes but the giraffe couldn't get her hat. After that the hat blew across the London Eye which went very fast. Next it went across the Tower Bridge but the Queen still didn't have her hat. Then it went up Big Ben. The Queen's soldiers didn't think it was such a good idea so they went after the queen. Finally she caught her hat but then it blew out of her hands and landed on the baby. How funny to see a hat land on a baby! **By Agatha Y2**

New RE resources for Oak Class

Oak Class were very excited to meet Rev Freddie Fisher and his two cats Puddles and Arthur on Thursday afternoon in their RE lesson. These are the characters in a number of big books which cover the RE curriculum for Year R and 1 through story.



Rev Philip Krinks talks about prayer to Willow Class

Philip kindly came into school on Thursday afternoon to talk to Willow Class about the meaning of the Lord's Prayer as part of their learning about Prayer this term. The prayer was divided into sections looking at the different versions and the children



worked in groups to understand the meaning of their part. They reported back to the class with their ideas and thoughts. The class will be visiting Winchester Cathedral in March.

Oak and Silver Birch Outcomes for Parents – 8th Feb

This term the outcomes will be presented by the classes separately. We are mindful that some families have a child in each class so we have put the outcomes at different times on Thursday 8th February - Silver Birch at 9.15am and Oak Class at 3pm. The outcomes will be held in the classroom.

Inset Day Friday 26th January

Staff will be carrying out Mind Up training.

House Cup Winners of the Week

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

Workers of the Week

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

Oak: **Edward and Lorienne**

Silver Birch: **William and Violet**

Willow: **Tom and Ava**

Maple: **Alasdair and Laurie**

Beech: **Imogen and Gabe**



St Faith's Crosses

Reuben – for persevering with his writing

Alex - for showing great courage

Claudia – for showing great perseverance in all her learning

Livia – for tidying Acorn room without being asked

Oliver – for being supportive and friendly to a class mate

Jasper – for showing great perseverance in his learning

Gabriel – for showing perseverance and enjoying a challenge

Euan – for good concentration in numeracy

Alicia and Molly – for showing determination to do well.

A huge thank you to the SFSA!



We have just received a huge cheque for £6900 from the SFSA as a result of the magnificent fundraising which has been going on for the school. Thank you so much to everyone who has supported the fundraising in some way. We have just ordered 16 ipads with covers, an Apple mini mac to manage the ipads and a portable sync and charge case for 16 ipads. We are really looking forward to the arrival of this equipment which will enable us to cover the IT curriculum much more easily and will enrich the teaching of other subjects. Every child (and teaching staff) will benefit from this resource. We have also been able to purchase two laptops which need to be replaced. Resources for IT are one of the biggest costs that a school has to face in order to keep things up to date and with budgets as tight as they are new equipment becomes an extra. Thank you so much to the SFSA and the school community!

Notice from Mrs Landen re Monday Netball Club

Please note that there will be no netball club on Monday 29th January due to an away netball match on that day.

Plea for spare pants, tights and socks!

Supplies are running very low in our stock of spare pants, socks and tights. We would be really grateful if you could send in any spares that you may have.

Message from St Faith's School Association

Friday 2nd February – School Disco Tickets on sale 29th Jan
Friday 23rd February – Film Night

Quiz Night! Tickets on sale soon!

St Faith's School Association fundraising School quiz- **Around the World in 80 days - Friday March 9th.**

Book your babysitter now! Book a table of 8 or individual tickets and we can put together tables. We've had a good night organising so far, it's going to be a lot of fun. Limited no of tables! Tickets on sale Feb 5th.



Message from St Cross – Recipes please!

Please could you be kind enough to send any recipe contributions to Carol Wade cazwade@hotmail.com for the St Cross Summer Cook Book.

Letters sent out this week

Year 6 – Transition programme

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31st January –Year 6 Fashion Show 2.45pm

7th February – Iron Age Man visit for Willow and Maple

8th February – Silver Birch outcome for parents 9.15am

8th February – Oak outcome for parents 3pm

12th-16th February – Half term

26th February – Risen the Musical for KS2

27th February – Butser Hill trip for Willow and Maple

2nd March – Skipping workshop for whole school

5th March – Year 6 to Natural History Museum

6th March – Year 3 to Pizza Express

Forthcoming Inset days

Friday 26th January 2018

Monday 4th June 2018

Monday 23rd July 2018

February Half-term Sports Camp

On Your Marks Sports will be running a 3 day holiday camp on 12th, 13th and 14th February from 9-3.30. £20 per day or £50 for all 3 days. See flyer for more details

6th and 8th March - Parents' evenings

14th March - The Tempest for KS2

15th March - Infants to Southampton Art Gallery

15th March - Willow Class to Winchester Cathedral

16th March - Maple Class to Winchester Cathedral

16th March - Wells Book shop pm

21st March - Open afternoon for de Blois and Fox

22nd March - Open afternoon for Beaufort and Wykeham

28th March - Easter Service at St Cross 2pm

29th March - End of term 1.15pm

Clubs 3.30-4.30pm

Most of our after school clubs are now full. There are still some spaces for:-

Tuesdays - Football Club Years R-2 Marc Gillingham
9th Jan to 27th March £44

Thursdays - Netball Club Years 3-4 Winchester City
coach 11th Jan to 8th Feb £20 **Half a term only**

Thursdays - Orchestra KS2 Thursdays 23rd Feb to 22nd
March £20 (**after half term**)

The Ark After School Club Years R-6

Monday - Friday -Runs 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.