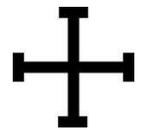




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Lighting the Path

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

We were very pleased to receive a letter from the DFE this week congratulating us on the fact that 100% of our children achieved ARE in writing last year in Year 6 with 52% achieving Greater Depth which puts the school in the top 1% nationally.

After School Clubs

One of the outcomes of our recent parent survey was a request to have a wider variety of after school clubs and as a result we now have introduced a weekly Papercraft Club and we are currently offering a two week Mini-Medics Club to Years 5 and 6. Both clubs have been very well received. Miss Whiteman is running a popular coding club and Marc is about to start a new gymnastics club for Years 1,2,3 and 4 on a Monday. Alongside these clubs we have our football, netball, cross country and recorder clubs. We consider that these extra curricular opportunities are very important and are pleased that we now have a wider variety on offer. The Breakfast Club and the Ark also continue to be very popular and are well used by parents on either a regular basis or ad hoc. Marc will be running a Holiday Club throughout the February half term.

We started our week with collective worship led by Father Philip who talked about the importance of standing up for what is right and to say something when someone is treating an individual unfairly. This message fits in very well with our St Faith's charter on respect and with our school values of courage, trust, love and hope. The Open the Book team retold the story of the Storm on the Lake which is the Bible story that we have adopted as a school to represent our value of Trust.

E-Safety Talks for children and parents

E-safety is a topic that we take very seriously at St Faith's and one which the children are reminded about throughout the year. Next week we will be holding our annual E-safety focus day which is being run by Andrew Woods from Harrap. Years 1-6 will be having talks during the afternoon and the talk for parents is in the evening.

INTERNET SAFETY Keeping Your Child Safe Online For all parents Wednesday 13th February 6-7pm

Topics covered in the presentation include:

- YouTube
- Online Gaming
- Social media and its impact
- Online etiquette
- Cyber-bullying
- Sharenting

We hope you can find the time to attend this valuable and useful presentation. Things are changing all the time.

Mini-Medics Course for Years 5 and 6

At the beginning of the course we were given a booklet and we had to find all the possible dangers in the picture of a kitchen. Then we had to think of as many things as we could to have in a First Aid Kit. We learnt DR ABC to use in an emergency which stands for Danger, Response, Airways, Breathing, Circulation or CPR. We then had dummies in groups of 4 and we took it in turns to carry out CPR on the dummy. It was really useful. Next week we will be learning how to use a heart defibrillator. **By Heidi and Lara Y6**

Beech Class Slipper Show for parents



Year 6 presented a wonderful slipper fashion show for their parents on Wednesday afternoon. Each child had designed and made their slippers



according to their own interests which ranged from football slippers to guinea pig slippers!

They have taken a great deal of time and care on their creations and the finished results were impressive. Each child selected a piece of walk on music for the show and had written an advertisement for their slippers which their partner read out for them. The audience were impressed by their creativity and the confident presentations.

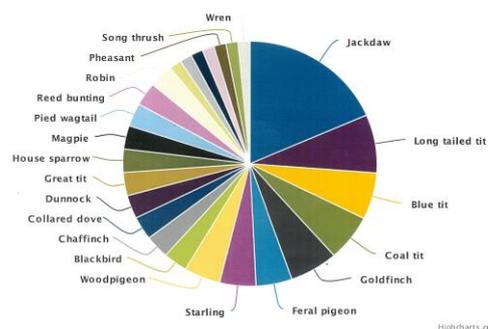


Willow Class British Parent Outcome!

All parents of Willow Class are invited to the Great British Tea Party outcome for parents next Friday at 2pm. The children will be sharing their learning about the United Kingdom. Children are invited to take part in the Great British Bake off competition and any contributions for the tea party will be gratefully received – preferably savoury!



Birdwatch Results 2019



Papercraft Club

The children learn different papercraft skills each week and take home a project at the end of the day. It is amazing to see how much their dexterity is already improving!



Year R look for Patterns

The children in Year R have been looking at all sorts of patterns in their maths learning this week. They have made bead bracelets with repeating patterns, coloured in Elmer elephants, created symmetrical patterns with wooden shapes and formed repeating patterns with three different sized Compare Bears. They have been very keen to talk about their learning connected with patterns which has been lovely to see!



House Cup Winners of the Half Term!

Congratulations to all of the children in **Wykeham House** for gaining the most achievement points for this half term. Their non-uniform prize day will be on **Friday 15th February**.

Workers of the Week

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

Oak: **James and Annabelle**

Silver Birch: **Lucas and Freddie**

Willow: **Lilly-Mae and Elyse**

Maple: **Elsbeth and Magnus**

Beech: **Heidi and Thomas**

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William – for pride in his learning

Maddie – for excellent concentration

Mario – for saying please and thank you very politely

Matilda – for being caring towards others

Yasmine and Claudia – for being thoughtful and compassionate

Emily – for being a helpful and smiley member of Maple

Carolina – for being a very reliable chair monitor

James – for being such a help to a member of staff

Morgan – for helping the class with IT

Agility, Balance and Co-ordination Club for Years 1-4 where children learn about basic gymnastic skills

Marc will be running an A, B, and C club on Mondays for the last four weeks of the term – 11th, 18th, 25 March and 1st April at a cost of £16 Please sign up at the office if you are interested.

St Faith's Extended School Provision

Holiday Club News

The next Holiday Club will be during the week of **February half term**. £20 per day or £85 for 5 days
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

Choristers at Saint Cross - auditions

For children aged 7 to 12 who enjoy singing, St Cross Church are launching a programme for choristers to join their choir. There is a chance to meet Father Philip and the St Cross Organist Derek Beck at the church on Saturday March 9th and 16th. There is also an additional opportunity for St Faith's children, 3.45-5.15pm on Tuesday March 19th. For more information please email choristers@parishofstfaith.org or see the leaflet attached.

Message from St Cross

Sunday 10th February – 9.30 Parish eucharist for all ages (a simpler service designed to include both children and adults) All welcome!



Message from St Faith's School Association The Movie Quiz Night

Friday 8th March Curtains and Bar open at 7pm
Tickets £12.50 to include Thai Food and Brownies
Tickets on sale from 11th February

Volunteers please!!

Kerry Jack and Jayne Orton will be stepping down as chair of the School Association at Easter after leading the association for two years. Please let them know if you are interested in taking on the role or if you would like to join the committee.

School Disco Success!

Thank you to everyone who organised and helped with the school disco last Friday which went ahead in spite of the snow! The children really enjoyed it and participated fully! The DJ Andy Maxwell was very impressed by the behaviour and attitude of the children and sent a special message to say *What an absolutely fantastic group of young people so much talent and So polite!*
Over £200 was raised for the SFSA.

15th February - Year 3 Cake Sale

Emails/letters sent home this week

Key Stage 2 – Chorister audition information leaflet

Whole School – Internet safety talk information

Whole School – Name labels

SFSA – The Movie Quiz Night

Spring Term 2019

13th February – E-safety day Parent talk 6pm

15th February – Willow Class Great British Tea Party 2pm

18th -22nd February– Half term

27th February – Royal Marine Activity Day for whole school

5th March – Author day for whole school with Anne Wan

5th and 7th March – Parent evenings

8th March – Wells Book Shop

12th March – Year 3 to Pizza Express

13th March – Open afternoon for KS1 3.30 -4.30pm

14th March – Open afternoon for KS2 3.30 -4.30pm

18th March – Year 6 to Natural History Museum

18th March – Willow and Maple trip to Roman forest

20th March – KS2 football tournament

session or £10 on the day.

Dawn James

21st March – Young Shakespeare Company for KS2
28th March – Year 4 Listen 2 Me Clarinet Concert
3rd April – Infant Parent Outcome 9.00am
3rd April – Easter Service for whole school 2.00pm and
Beech café 3.00pm
5th April – End of term 1.15pm

Summer Term 2019

23rd April – Term starts
27th – 31st May – Half term
18th July – Leavers' Service 9.10am
19th July – End of term 1.15pm
Inset days for 2018-2019
Monday 25th February 2019
Monday 22nd July 2019
Tuesday 23rd July 2019