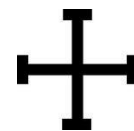




ST. FAITH'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Lighting the Path

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



We were delighted to welcome Philip, the new Priest in charge at St Cross into school this week. He came in to lead our collective worship on Monday and retold the Bible story of David and Goliath *1 Samuel 17*

with the help of some of the children. The theme was one of courage which is one of our school values. We thought about how David had the courage to do what he did because of his strong belief. The Open the Book team retold the story of the blind man who could see after Jesus healed him – *John 9*



An amazing response to our Shoebox Appeal!



Thank you so much to everyone who sent in a Christmas shoebox for the Rotary Club appeal. We received an astonishing 82 shoe boxes which is remarkable for a school of this

size. The children have been really excited about it all and are so pleased to be sending items to children in other countries. It is lovely to see that they are thankful for what they have and



that they want to help others. The School Councillors helped to carry the boxes out to the car. Mr Cook will now take the boxes to be transported in time for Christmas.

Grow a Pound Success!

Around thirty children took up the challenge set by the St Faith's School Association to Grow a Pound over the summer holidays by taking on all sorts of different challenges. Some sold produce, some did sponsored sporting activities and some did jobs for people. Altogether these children raised a staggering £700! The children have chosen to spend the money on a half class set of mini Sphero balls following a sphero workshop last term which they really enjoyed. These are App-enabled robotic balls which can be programmed in many different ways. Well done and thank you so much to all of the families involved.



Key Stage 2 Interhouse Netball Tournament

We were relieved that the rain held off and we were able to have our much anticipated interhouse netball tournament on Wednesday afternoon. Every child took part and played at least one match for their House. It was great to see the children genuinely supporting each other. Marc has been teaching netball to all of the children this half term and many attend our



after school netball clubs. This was reflected in the tournament when many of the children displayed some really good skills when passing and shooting. In the end Beaufort B team beat de Blois A team by 2 goals to 0



so the Netball Trophy now has red ribbons hanging proudly from it!

Time to Shine Day

The reflective jackets really made a statement on Thursday when the children arrived at school as it was a particularly dark morning. Every child had



a high viz jacket to wear and they wore them throughout the day. This gave the children a real chance to get used to the jackets and to feel comfortable in wearing them. We really hope that the children will now wear

the high viz when they are out and about after the clocks go back. They really do make a difference.

Junior Road Safety Officer Training

Aarica Paija-Pun attended the JRSO training in Basingstoke with Mr Francis last week. She carried out various activities and is now a Junior Road Safety Officer alongside Phillip du Plessis in Year 6. They will be leading some road safety assemblies during the year.

Parking concerns

We are pleased that there has been a distinct improvement in the traffic around school since I had to send out a letter re my concerns about the parking and congestion before and after school. Please only park in marked bays. We are still receiving complaints from residents in Clausentum Rd about people parking on yellow lines. The police will be doing spot checks. If someone else is going to pick up your children could you please make sure that they know where to park as well.



Digital Leaders Appointed

Our Year 6 Digital Leaders Jonas and Tom asked the children to let their teachers know if they would like to become a digital leader to work with Miss Whiteman and support their classes

with technology. The following children were selected for their IT knowledge and their interest in technology. Congratulations to all!

Year 1 **Matilda and Monty**

Year 2 **Harry and Cameron**

Year 3 **George and Lila**

Year 4 **Wolfie and Rose**

Year 5 **Kate and James**

Infants become Autumn Detectives!



The Infants have been learning about Autumn and carrying out all sorts of activities connected with Autumn. Each Year group has spent time in Lockburn looking for signs of Autumn. They were



excited to spot many different natural signs and were fascinated by all the different colours on the leaves.

House Cup Winners of the Week

Congratulations to all of the children in **Beaufort House** for gaining the most House Points this week.

House Cup winners for the Half term

Congratulations to all of the children in Wykeham House for gaining the most points this half term. The non-uniform prize day will be on **Friday 3rd November**.

Workers of the Week

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

Oak: **Harry and Alexander**

Silver Birch: **Cosima and Sienna**

Willow: **Evie and Polly**

Maple: **Sophie and Arthur**

Beech: **Alicia and Molly**

St Faith's Crosses

Lorienne - for being so kind and helpful

Jamie - for super effort in his maths learning

Noah and Max - for being consistently polite and helpful

Esme - for a consistently positive and enthusiastic attitude

Rose - for always having a cheerful and positive attitude

Wolfie - for helping another child with ICT

Findlay - for holding doors open for adults

Phillip and James - for being helpful



Philosophy session for Maple Class

Dr Elizabeth Mackintosh kindly came in to lead a philosophy session with Maple Class on Wednesday morning.

We did the Ship of Theseus dilemma. I asked them to imagine a wooden ship that belonged to a King Theseus. Over the years all the wooden parts of the ship needed to be replaced with metal parts until the ship was entirely metal. We discussed whether the ship was still Theseus' ship and whether the ship was the same and what the 'same meant.' We also went on to consider how we might give different answers to these questions if we were considering the dilemma from the perspective of a human being rather than a ship. It was great delve into philosophical questions regarding change, personhood and identity with such bright young thinkers.

Message from St Faith's School Association

The next SFSA meeting is on Thursday 9th November at 7.30pm. All welcome! Speak to Kerry Jack or Jayne Orton for more details.

St Faith's School Association Funtree Classified Advertisements

We are now going to put the 'St Faiths Funtree' advertisements with the weekly Newsletter, so your advertisements will be read by all of the school community every week. So, if you are having a clear out this half term forget the hassle of Ebay and use the 'Funtree'!!

To remind you, it's 50p per item for sale per week and if sold 10% of the sale price to the SFSA. For your businesses or services it's £1 per week. You can pay for a week at a time or a few weeks together.

Please email: [lisac\(underscore\)bone@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:lisac(underscore)bone@yahoo.co.uk) with your advertisements before Wednesday evening during term time and any time over the school holidays, then find me in the playground to make your payments.

This is a trial until Christmas so please give it a go!!

Emails/Letters sent out this Week

Whole school - Serious parking concerns

Whole school - NSPCC workshops

Please let the office know if you have not received these

Autumn term 2017

23rd-27th October - Half term

23rd-25th October - On Your Marks Holiday club

30th October - 2nd November - Bikeability for Y6

16th November - NSPCC workshops Speak out stay safe

20th and 21st November - Life Education Bus for YR-6

22nd November - Willow parent outcome 2.30pm

28th and 30th November - Parent evenings

23rd November - Stay and play morning for Year R parents 9.30-10.30am

24th November Talking schools morning

24th November - Wells Book Fayre

5th December - Maple parent outcome 2.30pm

6th Dec - Open afternoon for Beaufort and Wykeham

7th Dec - Open afternoon for Fox and De Blois 3.30-4.30

12th December - Infant Nativity 2pm

13th December - Infant Nativity 2pm

14th December - KS2 Carol Service at St Cross 6pm

21st December - End of term 1.15pm

Spring Term 2018

4th January - start of term

	<p>Forthcoming Inset days</p>
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Friday 17th November 2017

Friday 26th January 2018

Monday 4th June 2018

Monday 23rd July 2018