



NEWSLETTER

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Christian Values

Congratulations to the following children who have recently been awarded Vine Leaves for demonstrating one or more of our Christian Values: Beth S, William S, Connor F-S, Renee W, Rhys D, Sophie B-N, Grace B, Laurence W, Evie L, Hazel M, Jacob L and Henry E.



St Mary's Has Talent

On Wednesday 20th July the children will be taking part in their very own show of talent. Children taking part in the show will be asked to make a donation of £1 which will be given to the Alzheimer's Society. Children may perform individually, in pairs or in small groups and their act can be anything from singing or dancing, gymnastics or karate, magic tricks or joke-telling – absolutely anything that they can perform safely in the hall. With plenty of time to practise and with such a wealth of talent I am certain that we are in for a really wonderful show. Unfortunately, due to lack of space in the hall we will not be able to invite parents to come and watch.



Early Morning Club

We have had about twelve families come forward so far to say they would be interested in an early morning club from September; most indicating that they would use the club just two or three mornings a week but four or five wanting to use it every day. We are still in the process of finalising details of how the club will be run. A further letter will be sent out as soon as we have definite times, costs and so on.



After-school care – a smaller number of families have said they are still looking for someone to look after their children from 3.15pm until around 6.00pm. At this stage an After-School Care Club is not something we are able to run from the school. However, if you are a registered childminder (or interested in becoming one) and think you might be able to offer a place to one of these families we would love to hear from you.

Alice – the Musical!



Tickets are now on sale for this year's Summer production, which is Alice, the Musical! If you wish to buy tickets and have not received the email, please ask at the School Office for a ticket request letter. They are available on a first come, first served basis and are selling fast, so please don't delay.

Leavers' Service at St Mary's Church

The Y6 Leavers' Service will take place at St Mary's Church at 2.00pm on Monday 18th July. We look forward to seeing as many Y6 parents there as possible. The school will be walking up to the church; if you are able to help with the walk, please speak to your child's class teacher.



Family Support Work Fund-raiser



St Mary's Primary School Council are running a **fund-raiser on Friday 8th July 2016** to raise money for their chosen charity 'Family Support Work'. Your children are invited to bring in their Teddy Bear

to school for the day, for a suggested donation of 50p. There will also be a 'Name the Bear' competition. If your child would like the chance to win the bear then they can enter the draw for a 50p entry fee.

Mobile Phones

We have noticed that more children are now starting to bring mobile phones into school, especially those who walk home alone at the end of the day. In order to keep these phones safe and to make sure that they are not used inappropriately during the day we ask that **ALL** phones are left in the School Office and collected from there at the end of the day.



Sports Day



Congratulations to everyone in Reception and Key Stage One who took part in Sports Day and a special thank you to all the staff who organised the event, the PTA for providing refreshments and also to those children from Year Six who helped out on the day. Very well done to Blue team who were this year's winners. Thank you to everyone for being so understanding when we had to postpone Key Stage Two sports day not just once but three times! Very well done to everybody for showing such resilience on Wednesday when, in spite of the weather suddenly turning against us, we still managed to complete some of the KS2 events.

Chartwells filming

Good news about our hot school meals. Children from St Mary's were chosen by Chartwells, our hot meals provider, to take part in a promotional video which will be shown in all schools across the County, as well as being on official websites of the Local Authority and Chartwell's. Ten of our children took part in the filming and all of them said what a wonderful experience it was.



Job at The Anchorage

Part time Kitchen Assistant / Supper cook required to work at The Anchorage Care Home, Pulborough. Sunday to Wednesdays 9am – 2pm and Tuesdays 5pm – 7pm. £7.50 per hour. 22 hours per week. (Weekend £8.50 per hour). Cooking skills or an interest in cooking an advantage. Please call the HR Department on 01798 874779.

Summer Fayre and Circus

The Summer Fayre is nearly upon us, please confer with your class reps to see how you can help, not only on the day, but in setting up and providing items for the tombolas and stalls. There is also the Pazaz Circus, which will be giving two performances on the day. Please get your tickets for this asap, they are selling fast.



Sam's Dreams



I don't know how many of you are aware of Sam Hedger, who used to work at Tesco's in the village, and his battle with cancer. This courageous young man will reach his 20th birthday on Thursday July 7 and his family thought it would be lovely to send Sam as many birthday cards as possible to show him visually how many people are thinking of him, supporting him and to show our admiration of the way he has dealt with the rough hand of life he has been given. There are collection boxes for any cards that you wish to send him in both Tesco's and Sainsbury's in the village and also in Lloyds Chemist in Billingshurst. Please share this with your friends and family. If you wish to post a card, the address is: Sam Hedger, c/o Sam's Dreams, Billingshurst, West Sussex. RH14 9JQ.

HM the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations

We had a very successful tea party to celebrate HM the Queen's 90th birthday. The weather was fine, the back playground looked amazing, the maypole was decorated with bunting made by the children and a jolly time was had by all. Thank you so much for your contributions for the food for the tea party, the children had a wonderful time.

