

St Mary's C of E (Aided) Primary School



NEVISLETTER

"A Christ-centred school with a child-centred curriculum through wisdom and love"

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The sun arrived this week and we were blessed with good weather for all the sports days. It was great to see so many parents coming to cheer on the children. Thank you to everyone for making this such a positive event.

Reflection - Friends with ourselves (youtube.com)

Worship – **Gentleness** – We thought about gentleness together and carried out an experiment with eggs! You have to be gentle with eggs and with people's feelings. What a fantastic worship on a Monday morning and an important lesson for the rest of our week.





Sports Day - Great team effort from all teams and thank you to staff for organising this.

Thailand and UK was won by yellow team India and Italy was won by yellow team Year 3 / 4 was won by blue team Year 5 / 6 was won by blue team











Inclusive event – Well done to Jayden, Charlie, Roxy, Aimee, Millie and Alicia for travelling to The Weald with Mrs Hatcher for their inclusive sports event. They participated in a range of sports and competed against other locality schools.





Cricket - On Thursday Mrs Castle took a group of Year 5 children to Southwater Cricket Club for a cricket tournament. They performed brilliantly, only losing the final narrowly by 4 runs. Very well done to Toby, Rex E, Freddie, Charlie, Eric and Rex W - you played so well as a team, supported each other and were true ambassadors for our school.



Art - Year 5 and 6 Art: Our Oceans:







Years 5 and 6 have completed their final mixed media pieces in the style of contemporary illustrator Yellena James. These began with pencil drawings of shapes inspired by the environment and natural forms such as shells and coral along with ocean creatures. The children followed James' techniques to produce a layered effect - creating watercolour backgrounds which were then developed with lines, dots and dashes to add detail, using fineliner pens.

It is lovely to see the children's individual style as artists coming through in their work, and they were deservedly proud of these amazing final pieces.

Joseph (Year 6 Production) – Tickets for the production are now on sale for the whole school. Please do support the children by buying your tickets. It is going to be amazing and will be in the Big Top tent – what an experience!`



Vine leaves – Oscar (SA) for kindness - you were the first to offer to lend your jumper to another child who needed one for their class photo. Eric (SA) for perseverance - despite being injured this week, you were determined to participate in Sports Day and gained an impressive 2nd place in the Boys' Long Distance race. Louis (USA) for courage. Audrey, Alicia, Nathan, Harrison, Andy, Aaron, Hannah, Roxy, Felicity, Olivia L, Elliott, Levi for service - being incredible helpers at the Thailand / UK sports day. Big thank you to you all as it wouldn't have run as smoothly without you all. Winnie (Tha)

for her determination on sports day was amazing. She supported her team, cheering them on and really pushed herself in every event and race. Ella C (USA) for being so polite. She actively came back to me when she thought that she hadn't said thank you, to apologies and then say thank you again. She had already thanked me before. Bertie, Charlotte and Elliot - Courage for putting your all into our class assembly - you all shone! Mia (Ind) for showing perseverance with her Maths, well done! Louisiana (Ind) for being a good friend to everyone in class, thank you! Jayden (USA) for friendship and generosity, giving up a race so a friend could do it instead and looking after his friend and taking control of a situation. Bailey (Ita) for wisdom as he totally immersing himself in our dinosaur research and trying his best. Harrison (Ita) and Macie (Ita) for generosity as he found some excellent dinosaur facts and sharing them so nicely with their peers. Leo (Ita) for courage as Leo has been very brave going to Brazil all by himself this week! Luca and Josh (SL) for creativity in their poster for R.E. and their artwork drawing a Viking Tapestry.

School Meal Ordering



July Cut off Dates
Thur 27/06 for w/c 08/07
Thur 04/07 for w/c 15/07
Thur 11/07 for w/c 22/07



Celebration Assemblies – These will all be at 9am and are an excellent opportunity for parents to come and hear first-hand what the children have been learning. Thur 27th June – USA class

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Thur 4th July – UK class
Thur 11th July – Thailand class
Thur 18th July – India class



Dates for your diary - SUMMER TERM

- Tues 25th June Y6 visiting The Weald transition day
- Wed 26th June Y6 going to Chichester Cathedral Leaver's Service 1.15pm all children will need packed lunch
- Tue 2nd July Parents' Meetings (in school) with book look
- Wed 3rdJuly MRC transition day
- Thur 4th July Parents' Meetings (in school) with book look
- Tues 9th July Joseph Production 1pm and 6pm for Y4/Y5/Y6
- Thur 11th July Joseph Production 6pm for Y4/Y5/Y6
- Fri 12th July Joseph Production 6pm for Y4/Y5/Y6
- Sat 13th July Prom for Y6 6pm 8pm invitation only
- Wed 17th July New Classes 1.15pm 3pm
- Tue 23rd July Last day of term 9.30am Final assembly for Y6 parents only

Classes for next year – In September the classes will look like this:

UK - EYFS - Mrs Huntley Hart

Thailand – EYFS and Y1 – Mrs Gowland / Mrs Callender

Italy – Year 1 – Miss Heasman

India – Year 2 – Miss Sleat

New Zealand – Year 3 – Mrs McTiffen previously Miss Wilkins (from October half term)

Sierra Leone – Year 3 and Year 4 – Miss Taylor

USA – Year 4 - Mrs Farrant

Mexico – Year 5 – Mr Coomber

China – Year 5 – Miss Aburrow

South Africa – Year 6 – Miss Turner

Japan – Year 6 – Miss Callender

Mrs McTiffen (previously Miss Wilkins), will return after October half term following her maternity leave. We are currently interviewing for a teacher to cover the first half term and will update you as soon as we have further information.

Achievements



George H (Tha) performed in Annie – we knew you could do it! Rex - got 'Man of the Match'

Esmae (UK) – took part in her first ever dance show!



Daisy (Jap) - came third in her cross country riding.



Daisy R-L (UK) – performed as an orphan in her first ever show, Annie!

Raphaella, Amelie, Sophie D - for performing at the Windmill Theatre

Training

Summer 2024

(2nd half-term)

Reaching Families offer a range of free training courses and workshops to parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex



Training Courses and Workshops

June

Understanding Autism in Girls	Wednesday 5th	7.30pm
Making Sense of Wellbeing: Understanding and Building Resilience	Tuesday 11th	10.30am
Understanding Sensory Processing Differences	Thursday 13th	10:00am
Making Sense of Sleep (for children age 2-11 years)	Tuesday 25th	10.30am
Making Sense of Education Health & Care Needs Assessments & Plans (EHCPs)	Friday 28th	10.30am

July

Making Sense of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)	Thursday 4th	7.30pm
Understanding ADHD	Wednesday 10th	10.30am
Making Sense of Adult Life - Supporting Adolescents (11 years+)	Wednesday 10th	7.30pm
Understanding Demand Avoidance	Friday 12th	10.30am

The SEND Foundation Course

An introduction to SEND and the key issues parents and carers will encounter as their children grow and develop.

Dates: 12th June / 19th June / 26th June (3 part course) Wednesdays 7.30pm - 9.30pm

All training above will be delivered via Zoom



All our workshops are free of charge, for more information or to book a place, please visit our Eventbrite page or scan the QR code.



Umbrellas

Parent Support Group
Summer Term 2024

Would you like to connect with other local parent carers?

If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex, please join us at one of our local support groups or from the comfort of your own home.



Shoreham Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Southwick Community Centre

16th April / 7th May/ 11th June / 2nd July

Littlehampton Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
Creative Heart Community Hub (upstairs)
24th April / 8th May / 12th June / 3rd July

Worthing Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Durrington Community Centre

23rd April / 14th May / 18th June / 9th July

Horsham Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Horsham Family Hub (The Needles)

17th April / 22nd May / 19th June / 17th July

Chichester Umbrellas

Thursdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Donnington Parish Hall

25th April / 23rd May / 27th June / 18th July

Burgess Hill Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
The Cherry Tree Centre
30th April / 21st May / 25th June / 16th July

If you would like more information about our Umbrellas Support Group or would like the link to join Umbrellas online, please contact Hannah Delmar-Addy:

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Umbrellas Online

Thursdays via Zoom

18th April	7.30 pm - 9 pm
2nd May	10 am - 11.30 am
16th May	7.30 pm - 9 pm
6th June	10 am - 11.30am
20th June	7.30 pm - 9 pm
4th July	10 am - 11.30 am