



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



NEWSLETTER

"A Christ-centred school with a child-centred curriculum through wisdom and love"
Jesus said, 'Love one another as I have loved you.' John 15 v 12

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WB 11th November 2024

The weather had been on our side this week and so much learning has taken place outside in the fresh air. I think this will change over the next few weeks so please have coats, hats and scarves ready. Thank you to everyone who attended the prayer meeting with Mrs Hatcher. It is lovely to share this time together with children, parents and Governors.

St Mary's Church - Remembrance Service - St Mary's Church – Thank you to Daniel and Immie for laying the wreath on behalf of the school. It was lovely to see so many St Mary's pupils coming to the cenotaph and to the church service. Thank you to everyone who made the effort to be there and mark this event.



Reflection - [Hope, 2024](#) Mrs Smith is so reflective with these and I hope you get a lot from these clips. Thank you, Mrs Smith.

Learning

Clarinet - Clarinet performances are due to take place on Tuesday 3rd December. These will be at 10:50 and 11:30. Mrs Farrant and Miss Taylor will let you know which group is at what time.

Worship at church – Year 5 and Year 6 visited the church for worship today and Fr Paul talked about St Martin who, as a Roman centurion, gave half his red cloak to a beggar in need.



UK and Thailand to The Library – UK and Thailand children headed off to Pulborough Library. The children were able to find out more about what the library does, they heard stories and shared books. It is so important to use the library so that children can read for pleasure.



News

Weald Book Award – A group of Year 6 visited The Weald on Wednesday afternoon for the 'Speedy Books' event. They had the opportunity to take part in activities and discussions about this year's Weald Book Award titles, along with Year 7 students from The Weald and children from other primary schools in the locality. An interactive and enjoyable afternoon of 'book talk' for all! Well done to Immie, Daisy, Rosie M, Daniel and Jack (South Africa) and Gemma, Sophie, Livia, Rosie O, Seb and Josh (Japan) for their enthusiasm and engagement with the project so far.



Children In Need Day - We had a great day wearing spots or our pyjamas and we raised £292.40



Thought-Full - Thought-Full are currently seeking parent and carer views about engagement with schools. All the information received will be used to inform what advice Thought-Full give to schools to improve engagement from parents and carers and how we can support schools further. All information obtained will be anonymous. We have produced a short survey for parents and carers to complete which can be accessed [here](#).

Sports

Girls Football - The Year 6 Girls' Football team travelled to Tanbridge House on Friday for the first round of matches in the Horsham Primary Schools District League. The girls had a tricky start with a 3-0 defeat to Plaistow and Kirdford and this was followed by a much tighter 1-0 loss to Leechpool B. The girls came back stronger in the last two games and looked much more confident but there were further defeats to Heron Way and Southwater respectively. Despite the results, the girls worked really hard and performed admirably given that it was their first taste of competitive football matches. Special mention to Indi P who pulled off a string of excellent saves, including a penalty, to keep the opponents at bay. The girls will return again in two weeks' time. Well done to the whole squad - Livia H (c), Indi P, Daisy E, Rosa W, Esme H, Rosie M, Katie-May M, Esmae W.

Things to know...

Chartwells meal choices - Please could we ask that when ordering your child's meal choice, you sit down together and choose their preferred option. We have had a number of children refusing to eat what was ordered for them and, as a school, we only receive what you have ordered to reduce food waste.



December Cut off Dates

Thur 21/11 for w/c 02/12

Thur 28/11 for w/c 09/12

Thur 05/12 for w/c 16/12

Christmas lunch is on Wednesday 18th December - please ensure you order in time.

Dates for your diary - AUTUMN TERM

Mon 25th Nov – Bikeability starts for Y6 – the children will need a roadworthy bicycle and a helmet

Fri 29th Nov – Advent Eucharist – Parents are welcome to attend

Fri 29th Nov – Cubitt and West - Homes at Christmas competition starts

Sun 1st Dec – Advent/Christingle Service in church

Wed 4th Dec – Film Night for Y4/5/6 (Big Top fundraiser)

Thur 12th Dec – UK/Thailand Christmas Nativity performance – 2pm and 5pm

Mon 16th Dec India/Italy Christmas Production – Cock-a-doodle Christmas! 5pm **and Tue 17th Dec** – 2pm and 5pm

Wed 18th Dec – Christmas lunch

Wed 18th Dec – PTA Christmas Disco 5 – 6 pm EYFS/KS1 and 6.15pm – 8pm KS2

Thur 19th Dec – Pantomime in school – Jack and the Beanstalk

Fri 20th Dec – Christmas Parties PM

Fri 20th Dec – Last day of the Autumn Term

Celebrations

Class Assemblies – These will be at 9am for this term and it is so valuable for parents to share the learning that has been going on.

Mexico – 20th November

NZ – 4th December

Italy – 28th November

Japan – 5th December




Vine leaves – **Scarlett C (SA)** for kindness and compassion as she is so kind, compassionate and helpful towards others in class. **Ada B (SL)** and **Sienna (SL)** for

kindness as both children were first to act when another child in our class needed assistance- they showed great care and were able to cheer them up greatly. **Callie W (Ind)** for courage in our class assembly. **Freya C (Chi)**, **Charlie (Chi)**, **Aimee (Chi)** for courage as they read with clarity and confidence during our class assembly. **Peter (Chi)** for wisdom and for transferring vocabulary learned in RE to History when writing about Greek gods. **Rex E (SA)** for kindness as you are always so thoughtful towards others. **Lewis H (SA)** for courage - you persevered with editing your poem and rose to the challenge of performing it in our class assembly brilliantly!

Achievements –







Spencer N (Jap) –
got Man of the
Match at football



Rex W (Jap)–
completed
Stage 10 in
swimming



Archie P (Mex)
– got Man of
the Match at
football



Oscar D (Jap) –
got Man of the
Match at
football

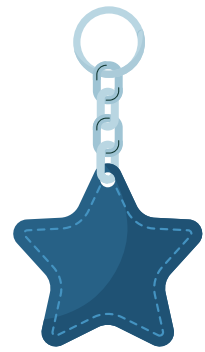
Thank you for your continued
support



Education
West Africa



EWA FUNDRAISER



On Friday 6th December Sierra Leone Class will be holding a stall to raise money for schools in Sierra Leone. There will be a chance to buy cake, keyrings, bookmarks, jewellery and more!

All items will be under £2

There will be a stall at lunch break on the KS1 and KS2 playground as well as at the end of the day.





St Mary's Church, Pulborough

Sunday 17th November 2024

Let's Celebrate!



WAR AND PEACE

An Open, Informal Service for All Ages.



3.30pm – Tea and Cake

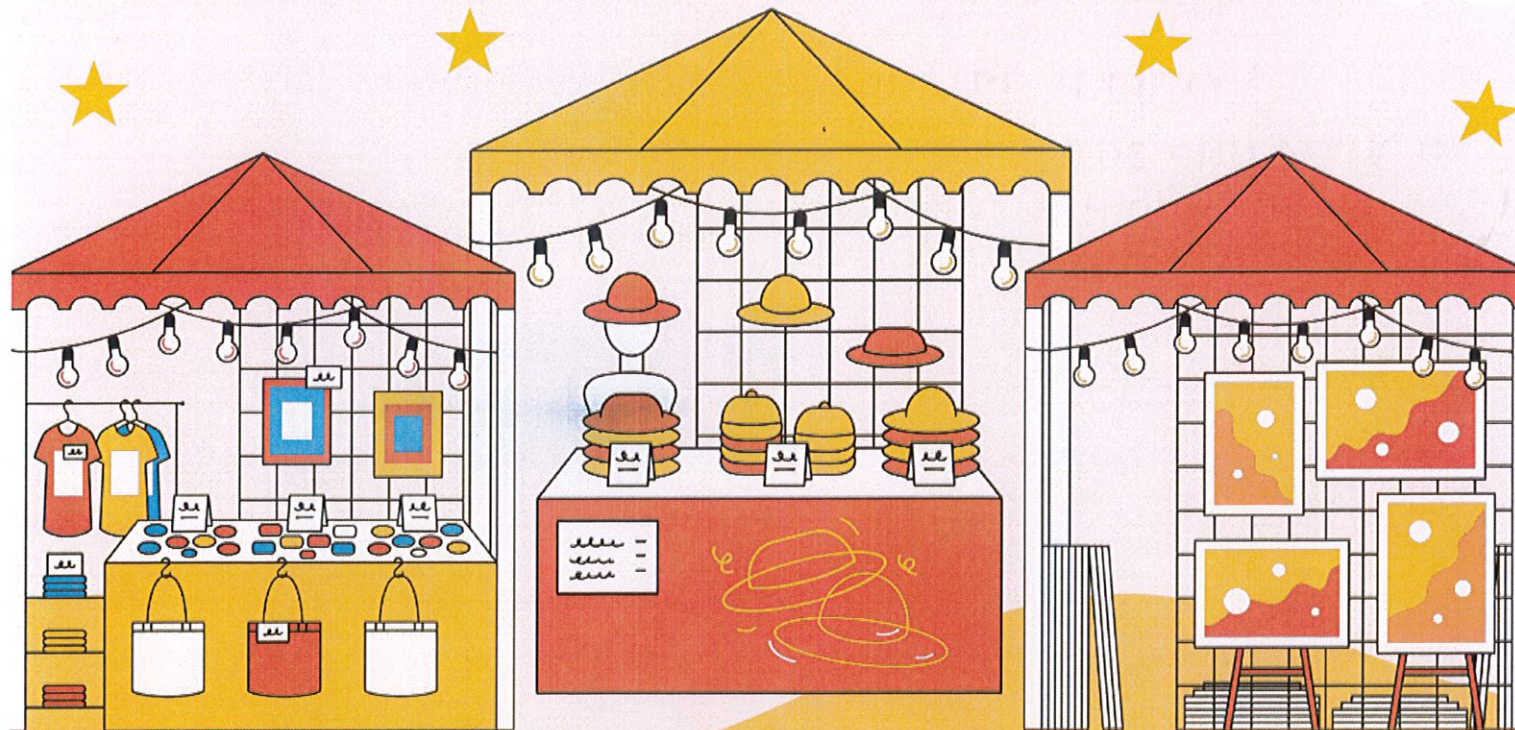
4pm - Let's Celebrate!



COMMUNITY FAIR

NOV 30, 2024 | SATURDAY | 3PM - 5.30PM

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