

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



NEWSLETTER

"A Christ-centred school with a child-centred curriculum"

Faith, trust and truthfulness

Telephone: 01798 872007 3rd May 2019

Class newsletters – These are all on our website and you can view them under the relevant class.

Staff training – The staff have been focussing on the importance of vocabulary in their training session this week. We looked at the importance of a language-rich approach and how all children must be accessing as much vocabulary as possible. It is vital that we introduce children to as many different words as possible and ensure they get a variety of opportunities that offer new vocabulary all the time. We have set ourselves a challenge to see how many new words we can get into our lessons.

Attendance – You will know that we are encouraging high attendance at school and we welcomed the police to talk about attendance this week. Attendance is directly linked to future outcomes and we are keen to get the children into school as much as possible. If you are concerned about your child's attendance then please come and talk to us.

Pupil Premium – If you are eligible for Pupil Premium funding and your child would like to join a club, please come and chat with us as we maybe able to help. The list of clubs can be found on the school website.

Clubs: - Just to clarify the position regarding this terms' clubs, we apologise for the confusion regarding some of the external clubs.

Judo will start next week, on the 8th May.

AITC Football will also start next week on 9th May.

Early Morning Sports (Fri am) will begin on 10th May.

Sadly **Tech Club** only had two pupils sign up, so I'm afraid that will not be running now or in the future. Dance and Cheer-leading will begin after half term, so please sign up directly with them at www.activ8forkids.co.uk. We are reviewing the way that clubs are run and hopefully everything will run much more smoothly from next term.

Deputy Head interviews – We will be interviewing for the new Deputy Headteacher on Tuesday 7th May. We will let you know what happens in the next newsletter.

Christian Aid week —This year it is running from 12th-18th May and the theme is 'Hands across the World'. Collection envelopes were sent home with heads of family children this week - please remind your children to gather up any loose change from home and bring it in to support this.

Christian distinctiveness – We have been focussing on prayer with the children this week - what prayer is and the different sorts of prayer.

Visit to The Anchorage – As part of the English curriculum some of the children in Y4 went up to The Anchorage to talk with some of the residents. It was fantastic to see them using their skills to engage in conversation and the residents were very impressed with the children and the examples of their learning that they took with them.





Swimming donation - Thank you to those parents who have made the £10 contribution to the running of the swimming pool. If you haven't done this yet, could I encourage you to log on to Joinos and complete this as soon as possible.

South East Swimming Competition – we thought we had missed out on qualification for this event ... but no! We are delighted that we are going to be able to represent the South East and St Mary's on 11th May. I will keep you updated as to how it goes.



Year 4 visit to church – Year 4 visited St Mary's Church on Wednesday morning for worship led by Father Paul and Mr Holloway. We looked at how the church was decorated for Easter and learnt about the significance of the Paschal Candle and what the different parts of it represent. We shared a story from the Gospel of Luke 24:13-35 – On the road to Emmaus.







Cake Sale – Thank you to everyone who contributed to the cake sale this week for St Catherine's Hospice and the Big Top. The sale raised just over £200. Amazing!





Staffing: - Congratulations to Miss Wilkins who has been appointed as our SENDCo. Miss Wilkins is undertaking the National qualification and this will be completed by July. She will start her new post in September.

Vine leaves: – Jacob P and Wills E have been awarded a vine leaf for friendship. They showed such a mature approach in discussions with them this week and I was impressed with their diplomacy and communication skills. Well done! Jessica Lee was awarded a vine leaf for friendship and generosity as she is keen to be such a good friend every playtime and this has been recognised by staff and pupils.

Pupil report: - PCSO Evans Visit: - On Monday the 29th April 2019 a Police Community Support officer, PCSO Evans, came into school to give an assembly on attendance. We started off with a brief introduction where PCSO Evans told us who he is and what he does, etc. We then got to the main part of the assembly, where we were told that if we missed 2 days off school per month that is 10% of the school year. He also explained that if we skived off school for no apparent reason our parents would get fined. **By William Orrell**

Multi-Skills: - On Wednesday, some of the children in Year 2 attended a Multi-Skills event at the Weald School. We had great fun joining in with jumping, throwing, running and balancing activities and we scored a huge number of points doing so. Thank you for the volunteers who helped with this event - your support is greatly appreciated!

Scholastic Books: - Please look out for the Scholastic Book catalogue that your child will have brought home this week. There are spares available at the Office, if needed. The catalogue is full of bargain book and present ideas. Purchases are usually sent home with your child, but please add a note to your order if you would like to collect items in person. Please deliver your order form to the office by Friday 10th May. We will receive 25% cashback from any orders to purchase books for school. Thank you for your support.

PTA News: - The planning for the Summer Fayre is well under way and there is lots planned for the day. The Fayre is being held on Saturday 8th June this year from 3-8pm. The ever-popular Colour Run is back, alongside some familiar stalls. We have a bar, an ice cream van, BBQ, crafts and lots more on the day. The event will be finished off with some live music by a local singer.

Tickets for the Colour Run are available here https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/friends-of-st-marys-primary-pulborough/pulborough-colour-run-2019/2019-06-08/15:00/t-kleael. Please see attached poster.

We are also looking for donations of good quality soft toys for the Adopt-a-Teddy stall – please bring these to the Office or pass them on to a member of the PTA.

On Friday 24th May we will be holding a **non-uniform day** in exchange for a bottle of booze or some sweets for the tombolas at the Summer Fayre.

A big thank you for all of those that have kindly donated items for the **Colour Hamper raffle**; the response has been amazing. If you haven't donated there is still time, please speak to your class rep if you are unsure of your colour. **Final donations need to be received by Friday 24th May.**

The deadline for advertising in the Summer Fayre program is looming! If you have any friends or family who would like to advertise, please ask them to email: pta@stmarysprimarypulborough.co.uk — a quarter page ad is £20, half page is £30 and a full page is £50. We print 900 programmes that are distributed throughout the school and the local area.

Finally, if you can donate a prize or are able to offer some help on the run up to the Fayre, please get in touch. A lot of work goes into the organising of this event and any help is greatly appreciated. Thank you all for the continued support.

Little Explorers - This week we have been doing lots of planting and growing activities, water play, and number games practising counting and matching numbers. We have started P.E sessions where the children are changing independently in preparation for school. They also enjoyed a really good Forest School session on Wednesday.

Thank you for your continued support and enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend.

WHAT IS PULBOROUGH COMMUNITY LAND TRUST?

- Pulborough Community Land Trust Ltd (PCLT) is like a housing developer but owned by our members - who, like you, are Pulborough residents - and run by volunteers. We are supported by both Pulborough Parish Council and Horsham District Council.
- We have set up our CLT in order to plan, build, own and manage new housing in Pulborough for the benefit of all our members and for future generations.
- provide genuinely affordable housing for our members both young and old and Our developments will not be built for personal profit but will be planned to also for established local workers.

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detailed information about the Trust's status and objectives together with the date of next To find out more about the PCLT, complete the form below or email your contact details to pulboroughelt@gmail.com to request that you receive future up-dates. Or for more PCLT members' meeting see www.pulboroughclt.org

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- PLEASE TELL THE TRUST MORE ABOUT YOUR INTEREST:
- Are you interested in living in one of PCLT's planned new apartments or houses?
- Are you interested in building your own house or apartment, maybe as part of a co-operative?
- What professional or practical skills or volunteer time would you be able to offer the CLT?
- Do you know of, or own, land that might be suitable for purchase or provide funding to the CLT?

PLEASE POST/DELIVER TO: NUMBER THREE, RECTORY LANE, PULBOROUGH. RH20 2AB

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If you are interested please come. PULBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL 7-8.30 pm Weds 8 May 2019 PUBLIC MEETING



From big cats to caterpillars, there's a jungle full of stories and crafts at the library this half-term.









PULBOROUGH DUCK RACE

SWAN BRIDGE



SATURDAY 15TH JUNE

FROM MIDDAY

SAVE THE DATE!

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FREE TRIAL

Sign up at enrol.stagecoachhorsham.co.uk

Date: 10th May & 11th May Time: Friday 10th May 5pm-8pm

Venue: Farlington School

Saturday 11th May 10am-1pm Saturday 11th May 2:30pm-5:30pm (4-6 years) 9:15-10:45 & 11-12:30pm



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