

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



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

Telephone: 01798 872007 WB 21st August 2020

Parking around the school – We have received a complaint this week about the parking around school. Please could you park sensibly and take into consideration the neighbours and the need for children to walk on the pavements. Do not park on the pavements or block driveways as this could cause an accident. If you see something that is not acceptable then we would urge you to report it to www.operationclampdown.org.uk with photographs.

PE - Mrs Treadwell's Triathlon team were back in action in Bognor yesterday at the only socially distanced triathlon event for this year. They were all amazing and should be proud of how well they performed.

Harvest Eucharist – The school are having a Harvest Eucharist on Thursday 1st October at 9.30am and the children will zoom from their classrooms whilst Fr Paul conducts the service in the main hall. We always try and collect harvest gifts and this year is no exception. The donations will be going to FSW (Family Support Work) and Turning Tides (Homeless in Worthing). On Thursday 1st October, from 8.30am, there will be boxes for donations to go into over at the recreation ground. This is so donations do not need to come back into the



school building. We would appreciate any gifts (tins, packet goods, washing goods such as shampoo, talc, soap etc).

Class dojo – The teachers are using Class dojo now to show you how the children are doing in class with dojo points and they will be sending some photos of learning in the classroom. UK and Austria will use the messages but the other classes will be using the class email for communication with parents.

Meet The Teacher – Thank you to all those parents who logged on for Meet the Teacher. If you were unable to attend then the PowerPoint from this is available on our website under your child's class.

Self-isolating – We are aware that some children are self-isolating and so the children are dependent on you to support their home school learning. Home school learning is so important so that the children do not develop holes in their learning. The teachers will be sending you some of the resources from the lesson and you can contact them directly via the class email address. Parents can still access the Oak National Academy as well so that the children are covering national curriculum objectives for their year group.

School Photographs – Just a reminder that this is on **Tuesday 29**th **September**. Please ensure that the children are in full school uniform.

Year 6 Zoom – There is a Zoom meeting for the Year 6 parents for the Relationship Unit. This will be on **Thursday 1**st **October at 3.45pm.**

Vine leaves – Jake E (SA) for Perseverance in PE as he is completing his long distance running and he is trying so hard! Ethan L (Thai) for resilience as he never fails to show his sunny smile, warm hello and polite manners. We are thankful to him, as we are better for having him in Thailand class. Holly D (SL) for perseverance as she has been working very hard and being an excellent talk partner for a number of children in the class, helping others with their learning.



Twitter – We are have been adding lots of fantastic photographs of our class learning on Twitter. Please add us. **@Pulb_school**

Early Birds — We are thinking of reopening Early Birds to help with before school care, as this is run by our school staff, we would like to get an idea of numbers, nothing is guaranteed at this point. It will involve the children being on a bubble table in the hall, the children would have to arrive at 8am exactly due to staffing, and we would not be able to accept late entries. If you feel you, would like more information then please contact the office to give your details. Once we are aware of numbers then we can look at sending out further details.

Kindness Shield for September – **Esmae W** – What a kind and considerate young lady you are and you astound us with the empathy and understanding you show towards others. Thank you and well done.

Learning – Thank you to James (SL) for his descriptive writing this week. The standard of presentation and language shows the high expectations that we have at the beginning of Year 4 and what that he is aspiring to be a fantastic writer. South Africa class have been learning about the American artist, painter and photographer Chuck Close, famous for his large-scale photorealist portraits. Each child had a section of the portrait to replicate in a whole class collaborative piece. The children explored primary, secondary and tertiary colours, and learnt about colour mixing techniques required to create tinted and shaded hues.





Transition to secondary school – Please follow this link for The Weald School Virtual Tour https://www.theweald.org.uk/. Also see the attached flyers for Steyning Grammar and Midhurst Rother College for their Virtual Tours.

Dear parents.

A warm welcome from the Governors to this, the Autumn Term, which obviously looks very different this year to the normal school environment. You will know that Mrs Copus and her staff have been working tirelessly to ensure that we can operate as closely as possible to 'business as usual', with the priority, as ever, being to ensure the safety and well-being of the children. I have received much positive feedback on how things are working so far, and the Governors are very appreciative of your co-operation and understanding in helping us to embed these new ways of teaching in such challenging times.

Mrs Copus will of course continue to answer any queries you might have, but inevitably, you may have questions or observations that you would like to share with the Governors. Unfortunately, we are unable to hold the drop-in sessions which we have run in the past, but we are instead able to offer a virtual meeting via Zoom on Friday 9th October at 1.30pm for anyone who may be interested. I would be grateful if you could let the office know if this is something you would find useful, as we are keen to hear the views of parents. Alternatively, please feel free to contact the Governors directly via the school.

I am confident that St. Mary's will continue to provide your children with a safe and happy environment for learning, and I look forward to receiving any comments you may wish to share in that regard. In the meantime, I do hope that you are keeping safe and well, and are able to enjoy these last few days of summer.

Best wishes

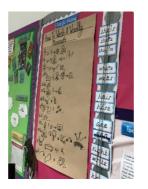
David Shepherd Chair of Governors

Window to the Classroom

Coding in New Zealand



Talk for writing in Year 3



Prayer Corner



Chocolate rocks in Ireland Class











Prospective Year 7 Virtual Open Evening

Thursday, 24 September 2020 | Starts at 6.30pm

Join us for:

- The Principal's welcome
- Messages from the Head Boy and Head Girl
- Messages from our new Year 7
- A tour of the school
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https://www.mrc-academy.org/information/ prospective-year-7-virtual-open-eveningthursday-24-september-2020



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