



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



# NEWSLETTER

**“A Christ-centred school with a child-centred curriculum”**

**Compassion, wisdom, justice and peace**

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**Staffing news** – We are delighted to announce that Mrs Burbidge and her husband are expecting their first baby together in September so she will be going on maternity leave in July at the end of term. I know that you will join me in wishing them all the best.



We are also saying Goodbye to Mrs Mitchell, our School Business manager, who will be leaving us at Easter. Mrs Mitchell is joining Camelsdale school. We wish her all the very best at her new school and are grateful for all her hard work.



**School priorities** – Following our recent Ofsted, the school has an action plan to address the issues found. This will be on the website next week. The newsletters will be focussed on showing the parents how we are working towards these through examples of teaching, learning, activities and key headlines. If you would like further information, then please do not hesitate to contact me. I will be running a tea and chat with parents on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm if you wish to discuss the School Development Plan and find out more details.

**RNLI assembly:** – Thank you to Mrs Benson for organising a whole school RNLI assembly this week. The children learnt about the dangers of the sea and how to keep themselves safe. They also learnt about the important work that the RNLI do.



**Parents Evening:** – Thank you to everyone who came to Parents evening. It was lovely to welcome so many parents each evening before they met with the teachers. Teachers are usually available to meet with you after school if you have concerns or queries and we are keen to sort out any concerns quickly.

**Easter Eggstravaganza** – Easter is approaching and we like to celebrate this with the children. We will be having our **Easter Eggstravaganza day on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April**. We ask that the children **to make an Easter bonnet and/or a decorated egg**. There will be a prize for each class. We love seeing what the children create and their imaginative ideas. Please encourage them to participate as this is a project that can be done together and it is always good to take part.



**Bikeability** – Year 6 please don't forget your bicycle, helmet and spare clothes (appropriate to the weather) for next week. Pupils must come in uniform and ensure they bring warm clothes as the weather forecast is for cold weather.



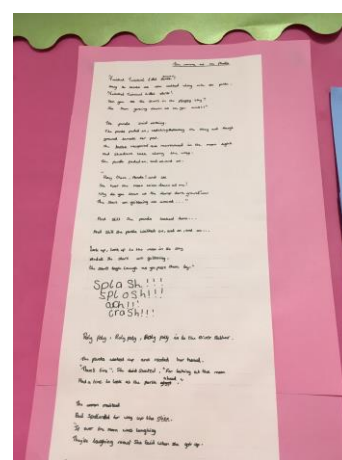
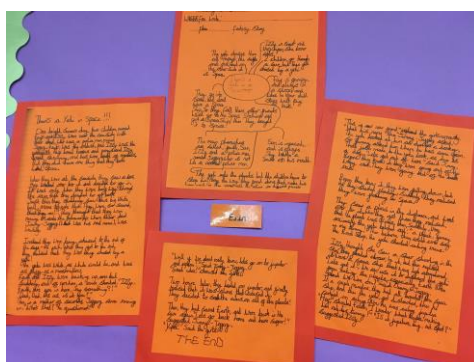
**Vine leaves** – **Isaac R** has been awarded a vine leaf for perseverance during Maths, he found statistics challenging but kept going. Well done! **Daniel CG** is awarded one for his friendship – he came to discuss some worries that he had about his friend – so kind!



**Pulborough Garden Society Spring Flower Show:** - We love to encourage the children to participate in village events. The Pulborough Garden Society spring Flower show is on **Sat 6th April 2019** please see attached the Children's entries and the entry form. If you can't take the entry then bring it into school on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April.



**Learning** – We are keen to share the school priorities at this time and writing and presentation has been one of these. Look at this fantastic writing. The children know what we are striving towards now and I will sharing the children's learning to show you the progress that we are making as a school.



**Understanding Christianity** – As part of our Christian distinctiveness, we have introduced 'Understanding Christianity'. Year 4 classes have started their topic on the Gospel. They began their 'Gospel' topic by sharing Matthew 4:18-19 - the story of Jesus calling the disciples. The children put themselves in the shoes of Peter and Andrew and reflected on how they might have felt when Jesus asked them to 'Go out and fish for people'.



**Year 5** – China and Mexico class have started playing the ukulele. We are keen that all children get the opportunity to learn instruments and develop a love of Music. We are looking forward to hearing them play over the Summer Term and watching their skills develop.



**Walking Bus:** The walking bus is such an asset to us as a school but we need to be keeping everyone safe. When dropping off for the Bus, parents must deliver the children direct to the adult waiting outside the Club. They must not just drop them from the car and go without registering them. Also the bus is manned from 8.15am only.



**Tea and chat – Friday 3rd May from 9am - 9.45am** – Getting children reading a range of high quality books is one of our school priorities. Ms Frances is keen to share this with you. Please come and find out about picture books and how you can use them with your child and the value of reading and the importance of vocabulary for all children. Everyone is welcome.



**School shoes** – The school has been looking so smart in the last few months and children are in the correct school uniform. Over Easter please get new school shoes if your child is in trainers as trainers are not school uniform. Many thanks for your cooperation with this.

**Red Nose Day:** Children came in non-uniform or dressed in Red last Friday for Comic Relief and raised an amazing £309.60. It is fantastic to be able to give back to charity and help others.



**PTA News:** After the success of last year's Colour Hamper Raffle we are going to run it again and would like to ask the parents for their help to make this a success.

Each year group has been allocated a colour and we would like to ask for parent donations so that we can put together hampers with contents of each colour that can be raffled off on the day of the colour run.

The items can be anything (toys, stationary, jewellery, booze, chocolates, candles, toiletries etc.) as long as they are non-perishable so let your imaginations run wild as there will be a prize for the best one!

Below are the colours allocated and some suggestions are as follows....

EYFS	<b>BLUE</b>	(Jaffa cakes, Tetley tea bags)
Yr 1.	<b>PURPLE</b>	(Cadbury chocolate, flower seeds)
yr 2.	<b>PINK</b>	(Marshmallows, rose wine)
Yr 3.	<b>GREEN</b>	(Mint chocolates, Gordon's gin)
Yr 4.	<b>ORANGE</b>	(Matchmakers, orange jelly)
Yr 5.	<b>YELLOW</b>	(Sunflower seeds, pale ale)
Yr 6.	<b>RED</b>	(Tomato ketchup, digestive biscuits)

We obviously don't want hampers full of the same thing so please think outside the box. If anyone is struggling please shout and we will try to help.

*Please bring your donations in by **Monday 1st of April** and give to your Class Representative or a member of the PTA*

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

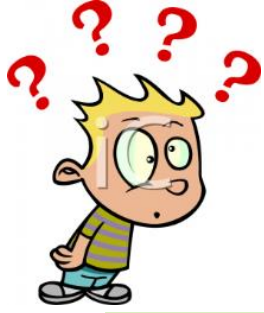
**Little Explorers** – This week the children have been looking at farms and what grows on them and the different animals that live on the farm. We have been reading various farm related stories and singing lots of animal songs. We tried Action art too this week where the children had great fun rolling balls around in paint to create their pig pictures. We have had some frog spawn in the classroom so we have been discussing the life cycle of the frog.



<b>March</b>			
Tue 19th Mar	Parents Evening	3.30pm - 6.30pm	School Hall
Thur 21st Mar	Parents Evening	6.00pm - 8.30pm	School Hall
Mon 25th - 29th Mar	Bikeability week - Year 6		
Wed 27th Mar	Ingfield Manor - Austria Class	9.30am - 2.15pm	Ingfield Manor
Fri 29th Mar	Year 6 Quiz Big Top Fundraiser	3.30pm- 5.30pm	School Hall
Fri 29th Mar	<b>School Clubs Finish</b>		
Sat 30th Mar	PTA Race Night - Details to follow	7.00pm	School Hall
Sun 31st Mar	Mothering Sunday Service & Family Support cake sale	10.30am	St Mary's Church
<b>April</b>			
Mon 1st Apr	Rock Steady concert	9.00am	School Hall
Tue 2nd Apr	Yr3 & 4 Easter Play	2pm -3pm	School Hall
Tue 2nd Apr	DISCO EY & KS1	5pm -6pm	School Hall
Tue 2nd Apr	DISCO KS2	6.15pm - 7.30pm	School Hall
Wed 3rd Apr	Yr3 & 4 Easter Play	2pm-3pm	School Hall
Fri 5th Apr	Eggstravaganza - details to follow		
Fri 5th Apr	Mental Health Morning	10am - 12am	The Weald School
<b>Fri 5th Apr</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>		
<b>Tue 23rd Apr</b>	<b>First day of Summer Term</b>		
Wed 24th Apr	SATs info & Residential meeting	3.30pm	Japan Class
Thur 25th Apr	Easter Eucharist - parents welcome	9am - 10.15am	School Hall
Thur 25th Apr	KS1 SATs meeting	3pm	India Class

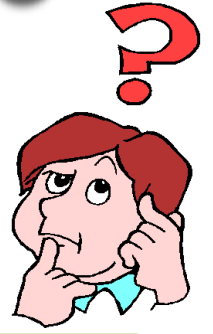
May			
Fri 3rd May	Tea & Chat - Quality picture books and how to use them at home	9.00am	Multi-Purpose Room
<b>Mon 6th May</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>		
Mon 13th - Thur 16th	KS2 SATs Week - Breakfast Club Mon - Thur only	8am	Small Hall
Wed 15th May	UK & Austria Class to Dell Quay - Coach	8.45pm prompt	
Tue 21st May	Yr 1 Phonics Meeting	3.30pm	EY area
Thur 23rd May	New Reception Parents Evening	7.00pm	School Hall
Mon 27th -Fri 31st	Half Term		
Jun			
Mon 3rd - Fri 7th	Year 6 Residential to Isle of Wight		
Wed 5th Jun	Austria Class - Ingfield Manor		
Sat 8th Jun	Summer Fayre		
Wed 12th Jun	UK Class - Ingfield Manor		
Thu 13th Jun	Pentecost Eucharist	9.00am - 10.00am	School Hall
Sat 15th Jun	Duck Race		Swan Corner
Mon 17th -Fri 21st	Walk about week ( <b>Not on Tue 18th</b> ) New reception parents		
Tue 18th Jun	EY & KS1 Sports day	1pm -3.15pm	School field
Thur 20th Jun	EY & KS1 Reserve Sports day	1pm-3.15pm	School field
Mon 24th - 28th	New reception children visit week		
Tue 25th Jun	Parents Evening	3.30pm - 6.30pm	School Hall
Wed 26th Jun	KS2 Sports day	1pm - 3.15pm	School field
Thur 27th Jun	KS2 Reserve Sports day	1pm - 3.15pm	School field
Thu 27th Jun	Parents Evening	5.00pm - 7.00pm	School Hall

Jul			
Thu 4th Jul	New reception pupil interviews		
Tue 9th Jul	Big Top Production	1.15pm	Big Top
Tue 9th Jul	Big Top Production	6.00pm	Big Top
Wed 10th Jul	Leavers service	Letter to follow	Worth Abbey
Thu 11th Jul	New reception pupil interviews - UK		
Thu 11th Jul	Big Top Production	6.00pm	Big Top
Fri 12th Jul	Big Top Production	6.00pm	Big Top
Sat 13th Jul	Yr 6 Summer Ball	6.30pm - 8.30pm	School Hall
Mon 15th Jul	New Class letters go home		
Tue 16th Jul	Year 6 Leavers Service	2pm	St Mary's Church
Tue 16th Jul	EY & KS1 DISCO	5.00pm -6.00pm	School Hall
Tue 16th Jul	KS2 DISCO	6.15pm - 7.30pm	School Hall
Wed 17th Jul	Move up day / New reception pupils	1.45pm -3.00pm	
<b>Fri 19th Jul</b>	Last day of term - school finishes at 3.15pm		



# St. Mary's Year 5/6

# BIG QUIZ



**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**3.30-5.30pm**

**Teams of up to 5 players**

**(year 5, year 6, or mixed)**

**£1.50 entry fee per quizzier**

***(including squash!)***

**Refreshments & snacks available to buy!**







**ST MARYS SCHOOL, PULBOROUGH**

Join us for  
**RACE  
NIGHT**

**Ticket Only**

**£4 Adult £2 Child**

**Ticket + Chilli and Rice**

**£8 Adult £4 Child**

**SATURDAY 30TH MARCH**

**All the family welcome.**

**Doors open from 7pm - First race at 7.30pm**

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**Licensed Bar, with soft drinks and snacks.**

**Raffle on the night too.**



# PULBOROUGH VILLAGE MARKET AND CAFÉ

Saturday 23rd March



DON'T FORGET  
MOTHERS DAY!  
WE HAVE LOTS OF  
LOVELY GIFTS  
AND TREATS FOR  
MUMS.

Artisan Food & Craft



## PULBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL. 9am-12.30pm

Huge selection of wonderful stalls

Organised in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wales (261017), Scotland (SC039907) and the Isle of Man (604). Also operating in Northern Ireland.

Fundraising for

**MACMILLAN**  
CANCER SUPPORT

SECTION E. CHILDREN'S SECTION

NOTE: These classes will be divided into three age groups as follows

a. Under 5 years of age      b. 5 to 9 years of age

c. 10 to 15 years of age

(Exhibits to be no larger than A4)

- 57 A decorated Paper Fan
- 58 A Spring Collage – A4 size
- 59 A Painted Pebble
- 60 Five Muffins
- 61 Decorated Hand or Foot Print
- 62 Draw or paint your Lunch on a Paper Plate
- 63 A piece of Soft Handicraft as in class 54
- 64 A piece of Hard Handicraft as in class 55



PULBOROUGH GARDEN SOCIETY  
SPRING SHOW ENTRY FORM 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2019

All entry forms are to be submitted by 6pm 3<sup>rd</sup> April,  
to Michael Pioli, 6 Southside, PULBOROUGH, West Sussex  
RH20 2DH

CLASS NUMBERS										
ENTRIES ARE FREE										
Please tick through the Classes you are entering										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69		

NAME .....

IF CHILD: AGE ..... YRS .....MTHS

ADDRESS .....

PLEASE STAGE ALL ENTRIES ON SATURDAY 6<sup>th</sup> April  
between 8am & 10am.

Entries for children can be staged by another person and collected  
after the Show at 4.00pm.

NO late or unregistered entries on day of show can be accepted