



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



NEWSLETTER

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

Compassion, wisdom, justice and peace

Telephone: 01798 872007

28th February 2020

Half term – We hope you all had a lovely half term and managed to spend some time enjoying the holidays.

INSET day – The staff had a purposeful inset day on Friday 14th February. It was a day for the staff to deepen their understanding of the curriculum and be clear about intent, implementation and impact of the new curriculum. It also gave us time to develop our planning to ensure we are deepening the children's experiences with us and aid the teaching and the children's learning.

25 Day Attendance Challenge - Monday 2nd March – 3rd April 2020 - As one of one of our OFSTED action points, we need to improve our attendance throughout the school. We are launching an 'Attendance Challenge' starting on Monday 2nd March and will run until the end of term. After the Easter break we will be increasing this to a '30 Day Attendance challenge'.

This will also take into account lateness, 'let's get in to school and get in on time!'



Values – We will be thinking about compassion, wisdom, justice, peace for this half term.

Henry Adams – Dee from Henry Adams came into school this week to launch our World Book Day competition. A postcard has come home with the competition details. There are book prizes on offer for each year group across the school. A copy is attached at the end of the newsletter.

Spirit FM – The film of the children singing has gone live on the Spirit FM website with the interviews by some of the Year 5 and Year 6 children. We could not be prouder of the children and their efforts. This is something to celebrate, as it sounds amazing. They gave it effort, enthusiasm and showed their talent. If you wish to see it go to <https://www.spiritfm.net/features/small-talk/>

Reports – **Parents evenings have now gone live. If you would like an appointment, please log on and book!** As a school, we are required to report to parents once a year in written format. Reports will be coming home to the majority of parents on **Friday 13th March** and then **Parents Evenings will be on Tuesday 17th and Thursday 19th March**. The **window for parents evening will open on the 24th February at 8am** through e-schools via the school website. **Usborne Books** will be attending both parent's evenings.

Staffing TA appointment - We have appointed a teaching assistant, Miss Barnes – she has a wealth of experience and will joining us shortly.

Vine leaf – Well done to **Caitlin T** (Thailand) for 'Peace'. She is learning to find peace around difficult situation. She is learning to be okay with how things are – then doing better in class and **Elani (India)** for 'Generosity and humility for giving her PE to Children in India Class on different occasions.

Kindness Shield – Well done to **Elba (France)** who has been awarded the 'Kindness Shield' for February. 'Elba always considers the needs of others and is extremely loving, caring, and kind.'

Launch of Fairtrade – To mark Fairtrade Fortnight, Pulborough Fairtrade Group has organised a Smoothie Bike event to be held at The Greenhouse, opposite Coughtrey's Butchers, **Saturday 29th February 10am – 2pm**. Please come along, 'pedal your own delicious banana smoothie', and support Fairtrade at the same time. **The cost is only 50p or FREE if you bring your own cup!** There will also be yummy Fairtrade cakes for you to try. **Poster attached.**



We started Fairtrade Fortnight with a whole school assembly to remind everyone of the aims and work of Fairtrade. The children looked at the supply chain and saw that the supermarket, the ripener, the shipper, the exporter and the farmer all need to be paid for their work. By the time everyone else in the supply chain has been paid, the farmers sometimes do not receive a fair amount of money for their hard work. Fairtrade aims to ensure that the farmers receive a fair price for the vital role that they play. In addition to this, the Fairtrade Premium is an extra sum of money, which can be spent on anything that can benefit the farmers, their families and the community.

The Fairtrade prefects, along with a team of actors from Japan and Sierra Leone classes, prepared a drama titled 'Protecting People and Planet' to explain the threats to the rainforest and show how human actions impact on this environment. They showed how Fairtrade is important and demonstrated how we can protect the rainforests by ensuring that those that live and work there are paid fairly.

In class worship this week, we watched the film 'Guardians of the Rainforest,' which taught us about forest friendly farming technique used by the Ngoleagorbu cocoa farmers in the Gola rainforest in Sierra Leone. Here are some of the children's comments and reflections:

Robyn: It made me realise how easy our lives were. It isn't fair that they have to walk such a long way for clean drinking water.

Martina: They have to work a lot harder for the things we take for granted. It made me realise how lucky we are.

Benedict: I learnt that many children are not able to go to secondary school in Sierra Leone as it is very expensive and they often have to travel to another town. Fairtrade helps more people to attend secondary school and college.



Ash Wednesday – Thank you to Fr Paul, Mr Holloway and Mr Hancock for our Ash Wednesday Eucharist.

Cricket - On Thursday 27th February, we travelled to Millais School for Girls in Horsham for a six a side indoor cricket competition. **Erin, Izzy, Holly M, Evie, Niamh A and Amy H** played four games and learnt lots about the game. They played well as a team and represented the school with a team spirit and fantastic behaviour. Well done girls!



World Book Day - Thursday 5th March. We are celebrating this to raise awareness of the importance of reading and to develop children's love of books. We are inviting the children to dress up as a book character of their choice and we would like them to bring in a favourite book to share with someone else (this does not need to link to their costume).

Steyning Book Shop will be visiting the school on **Friday 13th March** from 2pm for the children. The parents are invited to look at the books in the school hall from 3pm. As a school, we do get commission from the sale of these books, which in turn allows us to purchase new books for our library. The children will be receiving a £1.00 book voucher, which can be used towards a book of their choice. Books start from £1.00 and the children will receive their vouchers on the day.

Spring Flower and Plant Sale 2020 – Saturday 4th April in Pulborough Village Hall. Show open 2pm-4pm.

Children's section three age groups: (a) Under 5's (b) 5 to– 9 years of age (c) 10 to 15 years of age

Class No 57 - A decorate Rubber Glove

58 - A decorate sample of handwriting (A4 size max)

59 - A Painted Pebble

60 - A Painted Mosaic on a Plate

61 - A Photograph 7" x 5" max (18x13 max)

62 - A piece of soft Handicraft

63 - A piece of Hard Handicraft

Entry form attached at the end of the Newsletter or available from the school entrance. Our school normally out does any other school so please contribute and have a go at something. Entries will need to be taken to the Village Hall on the morning of the event.

Parking – We recognise that parking at drop off time and pick up time is very challenging but we are getting various complaints from the residents. Please do not block the resident's driveways or park on a junction or roundabout. The social club car park is available and this is a two-minute walk to get down to the school. We would hate for an accident to occur because of dangerous parking. See below the information regarding the Highway Code.

If you see anyone parked inappropriately or dangerously please report this to Operation Crackdown on 01243 642222 or www.operationclampdown.org

Highway Code 244

DO NOT stop or park

near a school entrance

- anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services
- at or near a bus or tram stop or taxi rank
- on the approach to a level crossing/tramway crossing
- opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- near the brow of a hill or hump bridge
- opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle
- where you would force other traffic to enter a tram lane
- where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles
- in front of an entrance to a property
- on a bend
- where you would obstruct cyclists' use of cycle facilities except when forced to do so by stationary traffic.



You **MUST NOT** park partially or wholly on the pavement unless signs permit it. Parking on the pavement can obstruct and seriously inconvenience pedestrians, people in wheelchairs or with visual impairments and people with prams or pushchairs.

Forest School - U.K. and Austria class went pancake crazy this week! We read 'Mr. Wolf's Pancakes' and learned about why and how people celebrate Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Day and of course helped make and eat pancakes that we cooked over the campfire at Forest School.



Little Explorers – This week the children have been learning all about healthy eating, what is good for us and what is not and why it is important to be healthy. They have enjoyed playing in the role-play green grocers, sorting different foods into healthy and unhealthy baskets and using fruit and vegetables to do printing. On Tuesday, we started having hot lunches, which went down well the children really enjoyed them. We also enjoyed pancakes with lots of fresh fruit as toppings.

On Wednesday we had forest school at from the Ashes in Fittleworth the children had a go using hammers to tap nails into wood then wind wool around to make patterns, they played in the mud kitchen, had great fun running down the hills and enjoyed hot chocolate and pancakes around the fire.

Cupcake – Martha (India) was the winner of the cupcake competition from ‘World of Work day’. Thank you to Mrs Whitehead who made Martha’s prize. They just look amazing!



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 you can add a note to your order if you would like to collect items in person from the office. Please deliver your order form to the office by Thursday 5th March, cheques should be made payable to Scholastic Ltd. We receive 25% of any order to purchase books for school. Thank you for your support.

Peace Posters – We are entering the Lions ‘Peace Poster’ **competition**. The theme is Peace around the world. The teachers will be sending home further details. We normally win lots of the prizes so please take the time to enter this competition.

School Council – School Council are supporting **Air Ambulance**. There is a **competition to design and build a helicopter**. This is a great opportunity with the half term coming up. We look forward to seeing the entries when we come back.

Pulborough Village Market Poster Competition - The Pulborough Village Market is celebrating running for 20 years in May, we would like children to design a poster to celebrate this event. All designs need to be done in **landscape** and emailed to terriashpool@uwclub.net or handed in to the school office by **Wednesday 25th March** at the very latest.

The Judging for the winning design will take place at the Market on Saturday 28th March.

Local stallholders:-

- Macmillan Charity Stall - Selling Homemade cakes and Jams
- Sussex Roses – Flowers
- Kaiser Smokehouse Deli - Delicatessen Goods
- Dairy Bar - cheese, milk and butter
- Fairtrade - Fairtrade products
- Culberry Nursery - Fresh fruit, veg and flowers
- Pulborough Parish Council - advice
- Pulborough Brooks Baptist Church - Fresh local bread and cakes
- Chris Mulholland - Photograph cards and keyrings
- Bags of Choice - homemade embroidered bags and purses, engraved towels
- Jubilee Bakes - Special needs company that bake cakes
- Janet Carter - Aloe Vera products and Honey
- Heather Robins – Jewellery
- Judy Hines - Hand knitted jumpers and cardigans
- Tropic Skincare - beauty products
- Cruickshank’s Catering - Caribbean Curry and pastes
- Bert’s Dog Biscuits - Homemade Dog Biscuits
- Jeanne Stanbridge - Homemade quilts
- Snape Cottage Crafts – crafts
- Flamingo Paperies - cards and wrapping paper

There will be a prize for the winning entry and their design will be our May poster and distributed through Pulborough and local areas.

Please ensure all completed entries state which competition it is for and the child’s name is clearly marked on the poster.

WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**
5 MARCH 2020

A competition with Henry Adams for World Book Day 2020

Henry Adams
simply different

Henry's World of Adventure



We would like you to imagine an exciting story all about our four legged friend Henry and then design a **Book Cover** to reflect his adventures.

Years R-2 Please design the front cover of your story book

Years 3-6 Please make a dust cover for your story book and include a short summary of your story on the back.

The size of your cover can be of your choosing and can be designed using any materials you wish.

Don't forget to...

- make it **eye catching** to tempt the reader
- reflect your **imaginative** ideas for Henry's adventure
- give your story book a **title** and **write your name** as the author
- write your **year group** on the reverse of your book cover

Please bring your designs in to school by World Book Day on
Thursday 5th March 2020.

We look forward to seeing all your entries and returning to your school to award a book prize for one child in each year group.

Thank you for taking part!



henryadams.co.uk

Did you know we do races for grown up's to!



Details & on-line entry on the website

hedgehogtri.co.uk

Medals for all, own cycle & helmet required. All events 'Permitted' by British Triathlon. Novices welcome.

email info@hedgehogtri.uk

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Events for aged 15yrs+ in the Sussex area

19th April - Uckfield (spring) Triathlon

24th May - Mayfield Triathlon

31st May - Ardingly White Bird Triathlon

24th June (Weds 7pm)- Swim the Lake

23rd Aug. - Ringmer Triathlon

6th Sept. - Uckfield (autumn) Triathlon



yr2020 Kidstri_{UK} triathlons

Races for 8-16yrs



SOUTH EAST



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Children's triathlons (swim/cycle/run) in the Sussex area.

Age category: age as on 31/12/2020, novices welcome.

Own cycle & helmet required. Great fun & a sense of achievement.

On-line entry, entries in advance only. Charity raffle for NEW cycle.

Presentation medals to all taking part. All events 'Permitted' by British Triathlon.

kidstri.co.uk
info@kidstri.uk



**Littlehampton, Steyning, Horsham,
Billingshurst, Bognor Regis, Brighton**



Children and young people's mental health Workshops for parents and carers

A series of informal and friendly events to help you and your child.

To book your place and view details of the workshops visit westsussexmind.eventbrite.com.

Workshops cost £5 a ticket. There is also a wide range of FREE webinars and e-learning about young people's mental health, Autism and ADHD.

Any questions, do contact us on 07943 999792 or training@westsussexmind.org

Workshop	Venue	Date	Time
Anxiety and Exam Stress	K2, Crawley	1 st April 2020	11:00 – 13:00
Meltdowns and Shutdowns	The Shoreham Centre, Shoreham	2 nd April 2020	11:00 - 14:00
Anxiety and Exam Stress	Field Place, Worthing	24 th April 2020	18:30 – 20:30
Behaviours of Concern	Roffey Millenium Hall, Horsham	30 th April 2020	14:00 – 16:00
Anxiety in Young People with learning difficulties	TBA	April 2020	TBA
Five Ways to Wellbeing	TBA	1 st May 2020	TBA
Communication on the Autism Spectrum	Billingshurst Community Centre, Billingshurst	11 th May 2020	11:00 – 14:00
Talking to Young People about Mental Health	Field Place, Worthing	12 th May 2020	10:00 – 12:00
Autism and Girls	Clair Hall, Haywards Heath	14 th May 2020	12:20 – 15:30
Anxiety, Low Mood and Resilience in Young People	TBA	22 nd May 2020	TBA
ASC and ADHD Strategies	TBA	May 2020	TBA
Autism, Anxiety and Wellbeing	TBA	May 2020	TBA
Anxiety, Low Mood and Resilience in Primary Age Children	Shoreham Centre, Shoreham	5 th June 2020	13:00 – 15:00

Five Ways to Wellbeing	Roffey Millenium Hall, Horsham	10 th June 2020	14:00 – 16:00
Meltdowns and Shutdowns	K2, Crawley	11 th June 2020	13:00 – 16:00
Building Your Child's Self-Esteem	Billingshurst Community Centre, Billingshurst	18 th June 2020	16:00 - 18:00
Anxiety in Young People with learning difficulties	TBA	June 2020	TBA
Autism, Adolescents and Education	TBA	June 2020	TBA
Communication on the Autism Spectrum	Roffey Millenium Hall, Horsham	7 th July 2020	12:30 – 15:30
Behaviours of Concern	TBA	9 th July 2020	TBA
Autism, Anxiety and Wellbeing	TBA	July 2020	TBA
Talking to Young People about Mental Health	Roffey Millenium Hall, Horsham	8 th September 2020	14:00 – 16:00
Anxiety, Low Mood and Resilience in Young People	Billingshurst Community Centre, Billingshurst	11 th September 2020	10:00 – 12:00
Autism and Girls	Field Place, Worthing	30 th September 2020	12:30 – 16:30
Autism, Adolescents and Education	TBA	September 2020	TBA
Five Ways to Wellbeing	Field Place, Worthing	5 th October 2020	10:00 – 12:00
Building Your Child's Self Esteem	Shoreham Centre, Shoreham	15 th October 2020	10:00 - 12:00
Anxiety, Low Mood and Resilience in Primary Age Children	Roffey Millenium Hall, Horsham	13 th November 2020	13:30 – 15:30
Anxiety in Young People with learning difficulties	TBA	October 2020	TBA
Autism, Anxiety and Wellbeing	TBA	October 2020	TBA
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ASC and ADHD Strategies	TBA	November 2020	TBA
Five Ways to Wellbeing	TBA	8 th December 2020	TBA

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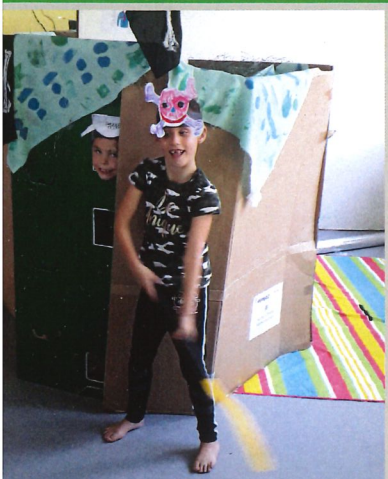
Pulborough After school Club

One Tuesday every month
3.30pm - 5.30 pm
for all pre-school, reception to year 6
children, parents / carers



Crafts Drama Stories Singing Tea
Sessions are fun, friendly & give you time to:
Relax Meet people
Enjoy quality time with your child

Join Becca & the FSW team at:
**Pulborough Youth Club,
Link Lane, RH20 2TB**



Our next sessions are on Tuesday:
14th January
11th February
10th March

Contact: rebecca@familysupportwork.org.uk 07747 481360

Come along and make a
pedal-powered **Fairtrade**
Banana Smoothie!



**Greenhouse
Stane Street
Pulborough
Saturday 29th February
10.00 am – 2.00 pm
50p or free if you
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**PULBOROUGH GARDEN SOCIETY
SPRING SHOW ENTRY FORM 4th April, 2020**

All entry forms are to be submitted by 6pm 1st 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
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61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68		

NAME

IF CHILD: AGE **YRS** **MTHS**

ADDRESS

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**PLEASE STAGE ALL ENTRIES ON SATURDAY 4th 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

Reaching Families

Empowering families of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities



2020

Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person with additional needs or a disability?

Would you like to meet other parents to share ideas?

Come along to

Umbrellas

a group for parent carers of children or young people with additional needs and disabilities.

**Billingshurst
Community Centre**

**Roman Way,
Billingshurst,
RH14 9QW**

Where you can talk freely and
get information that is relevant
to your child and family

**Drop in between
9:30-11am**

Meeting dates:

Friday 17th January

Friday 14th February

Friday 13th March

Friday 24th April

Friday 15th May

Friday 12th June

Friday 10th July

For further information please
contact Hannah:

hannah@reachingfamilies.org.uk
07951 794734



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