



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



# NEWSLETTER

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

**FRIENDSHIP, GENEROSITY AND THANKFULNESS**

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**Welcome back** – Welcome back to Mrs Martin-Wells. It is great to see her returning from her maternity leave.

**Bugsy Malone** – Wow! I am not often lost for words but the energy and enthusiasm from the Year 6 has been incredible.



More photos will be added to the website and next week's newsletter



**Gold stars** – You can tell that we are heading towards the end of term with a long list of gold stars that have been awarded for achievements. This goes to Robin Dewdney, Caleb Seaford, Noah Gascoyne, Max Dale, Alexander Bagnall, Mollie Berry, Charlie Kantsler, Luke Trebble, Amelie Eifion Wynne, Harry Hunt, Charlotte Rosine and Bea Powell.

**Vine Leaves** – Emily Edge – Perseverance and politeness. For the detailed debates that we have and Emily's willingness to want to move her learning on. She is thoughtful and so polite in her responses. Jack Kendall for thoughtfulness when a family member was unwell and he went above and beyond to ensure they got the help and support that they needed. Tommi Wadey for the courage that he demonstrated in standing up in front of the school and saying your assembly lines independently. Luna for raising £150.00 for Women's Aid by asking for donations instead of birthday presents. Lorna & Emmi Bevis together with Beatrice Godfrey for giving food and water to the homeless in Crawley during the hot weather.





**Kindness shield** (July) – This goes to Audrey Lewis. Audrey shows kindness in so many different ways. She is always there for others and will often offer a hand, a smile or a knowing nod. Audrey amazes us with her humility but she has a way of making friends feel comforted and supported. Audrey took the time to share her stick insects and welcome children to be part of looking after them.

**New classes** – Class letters will come out on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July and welcome afternoon for new classes will be Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July. The teachers have been working on the lists and feel that these are the best classes for the children.

**Funding** – As you all know, our school budget is very tight for the day to day running of the school; however we have been very proactive in seeking other funding revenues to enable the school to continue to move forward and provide the children with the best facilities and opportunities. We have to put together an application for a specific project and they consider the details. The Diocese have given us ring fenced funds to refurbish the Early Years and Key Stage one department and now they have given us funds to help generate revenue from the swimming pool facilities with the addition of a shower and toilets. This is a great boost as there are limited funds everywhere and we are so pleased to be able to improve things for the children.

**Graphic Artist** – There has recently been an article in the County Times about Pulborough Wild Art Trail. They are looking for a graphic artist to help with the trail. If anyone is interested or knows of anyone then please contact the school office.

**Ring** – A ring was found in the Big Top on Tuesday. If you have lost a ring, then please come to the office and describe it and then we can return it to its rightful owner.

**Belarus Appeal** – We are still collecting for the Belarus Appeal, if you have any clean second hand clothes for children and teenagers, please bring them to the front office before Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July.

**A 'Thank you' to Betty Clemenson** - Every year, without fail, she delivers a set of 'It's Your Move' book for the Year 6 children heading on to their secondary school. This is such a kind and generous thing to do for the children.

**Prefects** – Every year for as long as I can remember, we have run a responsibility system that involves prefects. The idea behind this is that it gives children the opportunity to take responsibilities as the next generation of leaders. However, as a school, we want to recognise every child's potential and the skills that they have. All of the staff and year 6 children have voted for skills and talents that they have recognised in particular children. Based on this, we will be awarding all sorts of badges to the Year 5 children who are moving into year 6.



**Year 6 and year 6 ONLY** are allowed to bring a sharpie with a spare white t-shirt on the last day of term. Please ensure they have an extra t-shirt to wear for final assembly. This is so they can get their peers to sign their t-shirt as a reminder of their primary school days. The final assembly is just for Year 6 parents and will be at 9.30am.

**Summer Ball** – We have an amateur photographer coming to the Ball to take photos of our Year 6 during the event. If your child would like a selection of these photos then please give the office a USB stick with over 1GB of space available on it.

**Play House** – The Rotary Club officially opened the Play House in the Early Years garden. We would like to say a huge thank you to them all for the purchase, installation and decoration of the play house which was a much needed addition to this space. We would also like to thank the parents that provided cakes for the occasion and for giving up their time to serve drinks.



**PE** – There has been a huge increase in sporting activities this year. This has included breakfast clubs, after school clubs, intersports competitions, forest school, swimming galas, sports week and lots of visitors in. This improvement in sports has earned us the Silver Sports Mark. Thank you to Mrs Burbidge who made the application.



**Scooters & Bikes:** - Please could we remind children and parents that scooters and bicycles should not be ridden on the school playground at the beginning or end of the day as the playground is far too busy.

### **St Mary's C of E (Aided) Primary School - Vacancy for a part time Cleaner**

We have a post for 3.25 hours per day. This post is term time only contract, but with 33 hours of holiday deep clean working as additional and will be a contract paid at West Sussex Grade 2. The hours of work will be 2.30pm to 5.45pm Monday to Friday during term time. School holiday work will be at a time mutually convenient to the 3 person team.

We are looking for a person with a flexible approach to their work to join our school premises team, to assist in maintaining good levels of cleanliness and hygiene throughout the school.

The post holder will become an important member of the team in helping to maintain our learning environment.

Please see the vacancy section on our website for further information.



# Celebrating Young Artists



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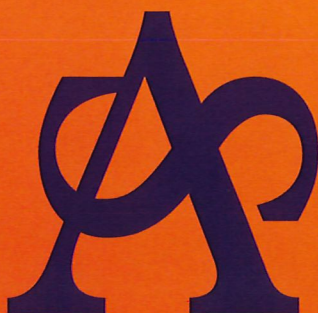
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Link Lane, Pulborough on  
Monday 16 July**

**when**

**Dr Courtney Kipps**  
**BMBS MSc (Sports Med) MRCS MRCGP MFSEM**  
**Consultant in Sports & Exercise Medicine**  
**University College London Hospitals**  
**Medical Director of the**  
**London & Blenheim Triathlons**  
**and Assistant Medical Director of**  
**the London Marathon**

**will give a talk on**

**SPORTS INJURIES**

**6.45 AGM, 7.00 pm Talk – approx. 8.30 pm**

**Refreshments and Raffle Draw**

**SWITCHED**



To your children's  
online world

# Make sure your children have a safe summer holiday online.



## Start with our expert tips.



[www.getsafeonline.org](http://www.getsafeonline.org)



# Make this summer a safe one for your children online.

Summer's here: a great time for your children to enjoy more time with you and maybe head off for a family holiday. However, the long days home from school also mean that they will probably be spending more time online ... whether it's on social media, playing games or watching videos.

You want your children to be sociable and inquisitive, but above all, to be safe.

*How long are they spending online?*

*What content are they looking at?*

*Who are they talking to?*

These days, it's just as vital to make sure children are safe online as in the street or the park.

Please read our expert tips on helping to protect your children from increasingly commonplace issues such as accessing inappropriate content via websites and streaming, sharing too much personal information, believing fake news and thinking everyone they meet online is a friend.

#safekids

## Read our expert tips

- **Talk regularly with your children about their and your online lives.** Get them to show you what they're doing and try some of the technologies out for yourself. Show you understand how important technology is to them and talk about the benefits. Don't shy away from discussing responsible behaviour, and talk about bullying and adult content in the appropriate language for their age.
- **Set boundaries and rules from a young age** including how much time they can spend online for a healthy balance. Set an example by using your own mobile devices responsibly and at the right time.
- **Talk to your friends, family and other parents** about how they help their children to progress and keep safe online. Exchange tips and share experiences.
- **Use parental control software and apps** on computers, mobile devices and games consoles, **privacy features** on social networking sites, and the **safety options** on search engines.

### Opt into your ISP's family filters.

But use technological controls only in conjunction with giving guidance and advice.

- **Tell your children that not everybody they meet online is who they appear to be**, whether they're on social media, chatrooms, games or YouTube. Be aware that changes in behaviour or moods may be a sign of some kind of online abuse. Find out how to use social networks' reporting buttons and show your children.
- **Check lower age limits of social networking and picture sharing sites** and make sure your children aren't using age-inappropriate sites, apps or games. Download apps only from recognised sources such as App Store and Google Play. Add your own email address when setting up accounts for your children.

- **Keep yourself up to date with new game 'fads'**, especially those with negative publicity because they may be violent, encourage gambling or leave the way open for grooming.
- **Be aware of the rise in children's live streaming of themselves and the dangers associated with it.** There is also a danger of children randomly being exposed to inappropriate content on video streaming sites such as YouTube.
- **Talk to your children about online safety basics** such as not clicking on random links or attachments, good password practice, not turning off internet security programs/apps and firewalls and not revealing personal information such as their address, current location or private images.

For more information, visit [www.getsafeonline.org/safekids](http://www.getsafeonline.org/safekids), where you can find comprehensive, expert, easy-to-follow advice. More helpful websites are listed overleaf.





# Get Safe Online



Get Safe Online is the UK's leading source of information and advice on online safety and security, for the public and small businesses. It is a not-for-profit, public/private sector partnership backed by a number of government departments, law enforcement agencies and leading organisations in internet security, banking and retail.

**You can find more information and advice at these websites:**

[www.nspcc.org.uk/share-aware](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/share-aware)

[www.parentzone.org.uk](http://www.parentzone.org.uk)

[www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org)

[www.thinkyouknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkyouknow.co.uk)

For more information and expert, easy-to-follow, impartial advice on safeguarding yourself, your family, finances, devices and workplace, visit [www.getsafeonline.org](http://www.getsafeonline.org)



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