Send Church of England Primary School

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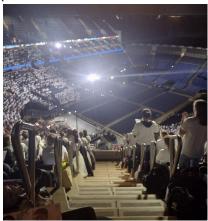
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM DATE: 26TH JANUARY 2024

A NOTE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families,

I hope that you are keeping well, there is certainly a lot of seasonal sickness around at the moment. We hope that any of our children who have been feeling unwell are better soon. This time last week I was preparing to go to the 02 with our Y5s for the Young Voices concert - and what an amazing night it was! We rehearsed all afternoon as part of the largest choir in the world (with just under 8,000 children) before performing to a packed house that evening. I could not have been more proud of our children throughout the whole event. They joined in with everything, supported each other, were sensible and respectful and a delight to spend time with. Well done to them all. Thank you to Mr Goodwin, Mrs Patel and Miss Whetlor, Mrs Attwater, Ms Bishop and Mrs Bauly for helping the children to prepare so well. Of course, a further thank you to you all and to Mrs Blackwell and Miss Perkins for giving up your Friday evening to make this possible for our children.





Our view during rehearsal...
Have a super weekend.
Best wishes,
Mrs Marianne McDonnell
Headteacher

and during the performance!

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES:

Wednesday 31st January @5.15pm Y5 Young Voices Concert Watch Party for Year 5.

Thursday 1st February @4pm - Y5&6 Cross Country competition at Rydes Hill

Friday 2nd February - Closing date for the Arts Council Photography Competition (info below)

Friday 2nd February (pm) - Year 5 Christingle service at St Mary's Send. Parents welcome to join.

Thursday 8th February - After school PTFA Dressing up costume swap shop in The Den

Friday 9th February - INSET Day school will be closed for children.

Monday 12th - Friday 16th February - HALF TERM HOLIDAYS

Friday 8th March - World Book Day celebrations in school

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS:

Star of the Week:

(Awarded for effort and work in class)
N Acorn - Lola W
R Chestnut- Lukie
R Conker- Amaan
Y1 Elder - Arlo &
Harper
Y1 Willow- Louis &
Anya
Y2 Birch- Saleem and
Bodhi

Y2 Cherry- Archie and Erin

Y3 Elm – Amelia & Amari

Y3 Fir – Ralphie &Elinor Y4 Maple- Ben H & Seb Y4 Cedar- Eliza &L ucy Y5 Beech- Fearne & Amaan

Y5 Pine- Indi & Ben Y6 Oak – William & Jordan

Y6 Sycamore - Betsy & Orin

Values Champion:

(Given to children for demonstrating our school values)
R Chestnut - Valentina
R Conker - Sophia
Y1 Elder - Hugo
Y1 Willow - Sonny
Y2 Birch – Zarmeen
Y2 Cherry - Isla
Y3 Elm – Frankie
Y3 Fir – Penny

Y4 Maple - Mia Y4 Cedar - Christopher

Y5 Beech - Nathan

Y5 Pine - Liv

Y6 Oak - Isla

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Y6 Sycamore - Lorelei



SEND'S GOT TALENT

There was lots of talent on display in this week's assembly!

Congratulations to **Mary** in Y5 who shared the medals that she was awarded for achieving 1st Place in a recent cheerleading competition.

Congratulations also to **Enora** in Y2 who shared her certificate for her Grade 1 Modern Theatre exam, in which she received a distinction - the highest mark possible.

We had a team of children from **Destination Dance** who shared how they have been taking part in a dance showcase at the Rose McGraw theatre this week with their first performance yesterday. We wish them all the best for their remaining shows over the weekend.

Finally, our **Y5 Young Voices Choir** performed one of their songs 'Get On Board' a medley of famous Gospel Songs.

Windy Weather

You may have noticed a section of our playground is currently roped off. Following the windy weather recently, we have had our trees checked over and there is one which has been identified as needing to be cut back. It is in a stable position and the barrier is a precaution. We hope to have the work on the tree completed in the next week or so.



First Aid

Congratulations to

Mrs Attwater

Mrs Bauley

Mrs Hypher

Mrs Labrooy

Mrs Mcgraw,

Mrs Vallens,

who have completed their Basic

First Aid qualification.



Send C of E Arts Council presents...

Our World photography competition





We would like it invite all children at Send C of E Primary to participate in our photography competition. We would like the subject of your photographs to be based around the theme of 'Our World'.

Photographs will be judged by the Arts Council in the following categories: Early Years (Nursery & Reception), Key Stage 1 (Year 1 &

2), Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4), Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5 & 6). The winner of each category will have their photograph printed on a canvas and displayed in school.



Closing date is Friday 2nd February. All entries to be sent to <u>info@sendcofe.co.uk</u> 'FAO Photography competition'

Good luck and get snapping!



World Book Day Celebrations

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day at school. This year's theme is Read Your Way and celebrates that children are more likely to enjoy reading when their choices are championed and we make reading fun.

World Book Day have developed six evidence-based principles that can be implemented easily by families to support children in adopting a lifelong habit of reading for pleasure:

- Being read to regularly
- Having books at home and at school
- Having a choice in what to read
- Finding time to read
- Having trusted help to find a book
- Making reading fun!

These principles underpin everything the charity does and sit at the heart of our World Book Day celebrations in school.

We want every child to have books to read at home and at school which is why we are holding a **Book Swap Shop** this World Book Day. We are asking children to bring in a book (or books) that they no longer read for our book 'swap shop'. These can be dropped off at the gate in the morning of Friday 8th March. Please make sure that books are in good condition please. We will then use these to set up a 'book shop' which every child will visit during the day to pick a new book for free. Any remaining books will be used in class reading corners.

We want children to be read to and to find time to read so children will take part in lots of different book based activities throughout Friday 8th March, as staff and pupils share their love of all things reading.

We want to make reading fun and introduce children to lots of different books. To do this, children are invited to come to school on Friday 8th March dressed as a Character from a chosen book. We are keen to encourage swapping of costumes and 'free' costume ideas. There are examples of some easy costumes below and the PTFA will be running a costume swap shop on Thursday 8th February (see below). There will also be an opportunity during lunchtimes in the weeks before for children to create masks, headpieces and props for their homemade or free costumes.







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