

Send Church of England Primary School

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM - PART 2

OUR VALUE THIS TERM IS: JUSTICE

DATE: 27TH MARCH 2026

Dear Families,

As we reach the end of this term, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to our entire community. It has been a wonderful term, and the support we receive from St Mary's Church, our PTFA, parents, and our dedicated staff truly makes our school a special place. Thank you to everyone who supported the PTFA non-uniform day and the pre-loved sale yesterday, your generosity continues to strengthen our school community.

This week our Key Stage 2 children participated in an Easter Pause Day. This was a meaningful time to reflect on the stories of Holy Week, as we heard about the journey of Palm Sunday, the solemnity of Good Friday, and the joy of Easter Sunday. We ended this week with a celebration of the Easter story - see inside for more information.

Our Year 5 sessions at Lab 22 came to an end this week. We are incredibly grateful for this opportunity, because it allowed our pupils to engage with hands-on science in a 'real-life' laboratory setting.

There are many exciting things for families to do over the break, so please see the information inside this newsletter for further details. You will also find an attached update from our Child and Family Support Worker, Mrs Perfect, which contains a wealth of useful information and resources for our families.

As we look toward the warmer months, please remember that children may wear summer uniforms from the start of the summer term, since we are all feeling hopeful about some nicer weather.

I leave you with a brief blessing for the season:

*May the joy of the risen Christ fill your hearts and homes this Easter,
and may you find time for rest, reflection,
and celebration with your loved ones.*

We wish you all a wonderful, safe, and happy Easter break, and we look forward to seeing you all in the new term. (a reminder that we have an INSET day immediately following the break, which means school will be closed to children on Monday 13th April).

Best wishes,

Mrs Marianne McDonnell

Headteacher

COMING UP:

Sunday 29th March - Palm Sunday Walk with St Mary's Church (see below for more info)

Sunday 3rd April - Easter Sunday Service at St Mary's (see below for more info)

Monday 13th April - INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHILDREN

Tuesday 14th April - All children in EYFS-Y6 return to school

Friday 17th April - Money Challenge Workshops for Y3.4 & 5

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS:

Star of the Week:

(Awarded for effort and work in class)
R Chestnut - Millo & Nina
R Conker - Eloise & Florence
Y1 Willow - William & Evie
Y1 Elder - Alice & Eliana
Y2 Birch- Thea & Zakariya
Y2 Cherry- Teddy & Jane-Louise
Y3 Fir - Hunter & Sienna
Y3 Elm - Harper & Joey
Y4 Cedar - Robert & Annabel
Y4 Maple - Felicity & Taya
Y5 Beech - Jane & Teddy
Y5 Pine - Rafferty & Ralphie
Y6 Oak - Oscar & Jess W
Y6 Sycamore - Joshua & Genevieve

Values Champion: Justice

R Chestnut - Maddison
R Conker- Teddy
Y1 Willow - Liam
Yr 1 Elder - Jake
Y2 Birch - Harry
Y2 Cherry - Jonas
Y3 Fir - Louis
Y3 Elm - Esme
Y4-Maple - Erin
Y4-Cedar - Violet
Y5 Beech - Amari
Y5 Pine - Savannah
Y6 Oak - Chlea
Y6 Sycamore - Bonnie

House Points

Leeds - 106

Hever - 89

Tonbridge - 85

Windsor - 59

Attendance Award

Congratulations to **Acorn Class (Nursery)** with **100%**

SEND'S GOT TALENT

Congratulations to our talented children who shared their achievements in assembly this week:

- **Primrose (YR)** has been awarded her Level 3 badge in gymnastics.
- **Eliana (Y1)** performed in a stagecoach show 'Hercules', singing and dancing on stage in front of a big crowd.
- **Nyah (Y1)** has passed her key steps 2, level one badge test in gymnastics completing a cartwheel on the beam, vault, and bar work to get the badge.
- **Bethany (Y1)** shared her achievement in Swimming this week, being awarded her level 6 badge.
- **Anya (Y3)** completed the Surrey half junior race (2k) on Sunday, placing 58/222 under 11 girls and a new personal best
- **Mia (Y6)** and **Sam (Y2)** took part in the Surrey Half Marathon kids race last weekend!
- **Genevieve (Y6)** performed at the Isle of Wight Arts Festival. Her musical theatre solo got a very high mark, and some lovely comments from the judges.



If your child has a talent or achievement to share, please email info@sendcofe.co.uk by Thursday for inclusion in that Friday's assembly and newsletter. Achievements received after this will be shared the following week

SPORTING SUCCESS

Well done to the Year 6 netball team who took part in a netball tournament last week! They lost one, drew one, and won 2. Great performance all round. Well done!

SAVE THE DATE - SEND C OF E PRIMARY IS TURNING 10! 🎉

The upcoming 2026-27 academic year marks a massive milestone for our community—it will be exactly 10 years since the formal creation of Send C of E Primary School! This anniversary is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all the amazing things our school achieves today, while also proudly honouring our heritage. To kick off the celebrations, we are throwing a Big Birthday Party & Fair, **on Sunday, 20th September 2026 (from 12:00 pm -3pm)** and we want our entire school family and the wider village to be there so please pop the date in your diaries now!. We are busy working on plans with the PTFA and we will be sharing more information very soon.



ATTENDANCE REMINDER

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without permission for **5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive)**, then you can be given a **penalty notice or prosecution**. This includes if your child has 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week rolling period (during term time). Arriving after the register has closed at 9.15am counts as an unauthorised absence for that session.

If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of **£160, per parent, per child**. This can be reduced to £80 if paid within 28 days, but only for the first Penalty Notice issued. The 2nd Penalty Notice, to the same parent for the same child, issued within three years of the date of the first Penalty Notice will be charged at a flat rate of £160. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court. If you would like support with your child's attendance, please contact Mrs Perfect on cfs@sendcofe.co.uk.

FANTASTIC FARM PUPPETS IN Y1

Willow & Elder (Y1) children have been incredibly busy this term, because they have been working hard to create a range of fantastic felt farm puppets in class. These colourful creations are a wonderful testament to their developing craft skills, as each child put so much effort into stitching and decorating their individual characters. We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the parents and volunteers who came in to help with these, your support was invaluable in helping the children bring their farmyard designs to life. It has been lovely to see their creativity flourish and we hope they enjoy playing with them!



EASTER CELEBRATIONS

This week, our school community explored the Easter story through a series of creative, hands-on activities tailored to each year group. Younger pupils in EYFS and KS1 crafted "Easter Garden Biscuits," using edible elements like green icing and chocolate stones to represent the garden and the empty tomb. Meanwhile, Key Stage 2 students embarked on an "ExploRE Easter" pilgrimage, visiting five reflective stations. At each stop, they collected symbolic items, such as bread for remembrance and a small cross for sacrifice, to fill their Pilgrim Bags, eventually concluding their journey with chocolate eggs to celebrate the joy of the Resurrection.

The week culminated in a vibrant celebration of new life, where the school was transformed by a sea of colorful flowers representing the "Big Surprise" of Easter morning. We are incredibly grateful to the St Mary's volunteers for their invaluable help with the pilgrimage stations, as well as the Craft & Chat group and our school families for their handmade floral contributions. These efforts beautifully mapped out the Easter journey and made our final festivities truly special for all the children.



Did your child enjoy our school's Easter journey?

If they loved exploring the Easter story this week, then why not come along and join us at St Mary's to continue the celebrations!

Everyone is very welcome, whether you are a regular churchgoer or if you have never stepped foot in a church before. Come and experience the joy of the season with our friendly community—we can't wait to see you there!

St Mary's Church, Send
Palm Sunday
29th March
 9.30am Walk
 from The Church Rooms (Send Road)
 to St Mary's Church (Church Lane) for
10.30am Service
 Followed by refreshments
 Parking in the field at the top of Church Lane
 Join us for all or part of this special

St Mary's Church, Send
Easter Sunday
5th April
 6am Dawn Service
 8am Holy Communion
 10.30am Holy Communion
 followed by Easter Egg Hunt

DODGEBALL CLUB - FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL

Multi Sports Development Centres will be running a Dodgeball Club at Send School after school from Friday 17th April to Friday 10th July.

Time Pick up 4.30pm.

Total cost of the course: £60.00 for this half term and £60.00 for next half term £120.00 in total for the term. This will be payable in two instalments, one this half term and one next half term.

Your child will take part in different Dodgeball sessions which will include: Messy Bedrooms, Three way Dodgeball, Gladiators, Shooting Gallery and many more..The most important thing is that each child has fun and builds confidence in themselves while taking part!

To book, please register online at multisportsdevelopmentcentres.co.uk or scan the QR code.



EASTER CAMPS 2026
Tech-powered camps, packed with WOW experiences!

Example camp activities
Camps run 9 am - 4 pm

ROBOT LAB	LEGO ENGINEERING	ELECTRIC INVENTIONS	3D CREATIONS	ANIMATION
COOL CRYSTALS	CRAZY CODING	MOVIE MAKING	MINECRAFT REDSTONE	VIRTUAL REALITY

NEW FOR EASTER - WOW EXPERIENCES

INFLATABLES	ANIMALS	STREET DANCE	SCIENCE	LASER TAG
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WHAT TO EXPECT:
Blending hands-on tech exploration with unforgettable WOW experiences, we inspire children to invent, create and discover. Led by DBS-checked, friendly and supportive instructors, kids build confidence while diving into exciting activities, challenges, and real skill-building adventures.

AGES 5-11, £45 PER DAY OR £162 FOR 4 DAYS
LIMITED SPACES - BOOK NOW!
WWW.NEXTTHING.EDUCATION T: 01442 873150

THE LAB22 EASTER CAMP
DISCOVER FUN & CREATIVE SCIENCE LAB ACTIVITIES

PRICE £21

Booking activities
WWW.THELAB22.COM/CAMP

Year Group 3-4 / Age 7-9
1st, 2nd and 3rd APRIL - 9:30 am - 12 pm
Construction and Architecture

Year Group 5-6 / Age 9-11
1st, 2nd and 3rd APRIL - 1:30 pm - 4 pm
The Physics of Music

WHAT DO THE CHILDREN NEED TO BRING? SNACKS AND WATER BOTTLES.
* THE PRICE INCLUDES: THREE DAYS OF ACTIVITIES AND ALL MATERIALS USED DURING THE CAMP

Sign up here:
QR code

Holiday Bible Club 2026

Tuesday 7th - Friday 10th April

9:30am - 12:30pm

A week of fun activities for children in school years 1 - 6

Grace Church Guildford, Chersey St. GU1 4HL

HOLIDAY CLUB
7th - 10th April

St Michael's Church - Woking

10AM - 2PM

- STEM Activities
- Outdoor Play
- Lunch Included

FREE HOLIDAY FUN!
Sign Up Now!
07944593690
www.kidwisegroup.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

	Easter holiday 30th March to 10th April	
Monday 13th April	INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHILDREN	
Tuesday 14th April	All children in EYFS-Y6 return to school	
Friday 17th April	Money Challenge Workshops for Y3.4 & 5	NEW
Monday 20th April	Y6 Ambassadors at Send Help Coffee Shop	NEW
Tuesday 21st April	Y5 Football Tournament @ 4pm	NEW
Wednesday 22nd April	Swimming Lessons start for Y5	NEW
Friday 24th April	Y5 Netball Tournament at Tourmead school 12.30-3.30pm	NEW
Monday 27th April	Perform Drama Workshops for YN, YR & Y1	NEW
Wednesday 29th April	Swimming Lessons for Y5	NEW
Thursday 30th April	Y3&4 Cross Country race @ Boxgrove - 4pm	NEW
Friday 1st May	PTFA MUFTI Day - bring a donation for the tombola at the May Fair	NEW
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHILDREN	
Wednesday 6th May	Swimming Lessons for Y5	NEW
Monday 11th May	KS2 SATs Week for Y6 children	NEW
Wednesday 13th May	Swimming Lessons for Y5	NEW
	Half term holiday - 25 May to 29 May	
Wednesday 22nd July	School closes for Summer holidays at 1.15pm	