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Newsletter - week ending 8th October 2021

'Learning For Life'

Kindness Trust Courage

Dear St Mary's Families

We had an exciting end to last week. Our year 2 football team won all of their matches at the tournament they took part in! Well done team! They all received certificates and a special whole school celebration clap in assembly today. Thank you so much to all of the parents for supporting the event. This week we wish our year 5 and year 6 team lots of luck at their event!

The planetarium has been with us this week and the children have been enjoying Space Week with remote and face to face guest speakers. The feedback from the children has been wonderful and it really has been so enjoyable to be able to organise these exciting enrichment opportunities for the children again. Thank you to Mrs Barnes, our science leader, who organised the week for us.

With our Open Day coming up, I have been asking some children for their help. I was blown away by the eagerness and enthusiasm of the children wanting to help. The majority of year 5 children have put their names forward to be tour guides to our visiting prospective parents next week, which is fantastic. A great opportunity for them personally and so lovely for us to have so many brave willing volunteers.

This week myself, Ms Gorton and Mrs Harding were carrying out learning walks in all of the classes. We went in to monitor the quality of teaching and learning and to speak to the children about their learning. We were very impressed by the behaviour across the school. The children were all actively engaged in their learning and demonstrating sound behaviour for learning. It was so encouraging to see how quickly the children have settled back into the 'normal' routines that we have missed for so long. We look forward to sharing their learning with you at our open classroom event and parents evening.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Chambers



COVID Symptoms

Anyone with symptoms should get a PCR test as soon as possible and isolate. <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test>. Please also inform the school of any positive result.

Under 18's and those that are fully vaccinated (2 weeks after second jab) no longer need to isolate as a close contact of a case but **are** strongly encouraged to have a PCR test.

Prayer

Our prayer this week has been written by Cheetahs class!

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Farrelly

Cheetahs

DAILY PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you for our toys, our food and our homes. Thank you for our friends and family. Thank you for our teachers for helping us to learn.

Please help us to show courage and to trust each other at school.

Amen

Let's Get Reading!



This week's book reading was from Mrs McKinney, surprising her children in Year 2 and Nursery. I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs McKinney for getting involved and reading her favourite children's story 'The Ugly Five'! The story had a great message about beauty being more than just appearance and how important personality and

actions are. Mrs McKinney did a wonderful recording - thank you for sharing your reading of the book with us!

Seeing adults read can have a huge impact and influence on children. The more they see adults read, the more likely they are to become readers themselves. Reading for pleasure is a great way to learn new things and to become transported to new places and times without leaving your chair!

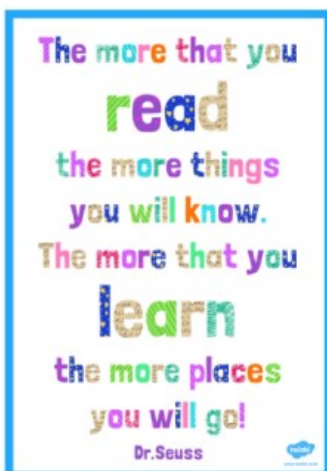
If you would like to get involved and do a surprise reading of your favourite children's book for your child, then please contact me (Mrs Robinson) via the office, including your name, contact number and child's name and class. I will then contact you, to confirm arrangements and to offer any support needed.

The children can't wait to see whose parents will surprise us next!

Many thanks

Mrs Robinson

(KS2 Leader)





Star of the Week



Moles: Charlotte - for gaining a great understanding of our classroom rules.

Annabelle - for her eager and friendly attitude and for engaging with all the areas of learning.

Hedgehogs: Amelia - for sharing your courage with your friend when she was scared and upset.

Rabbits: Robyn - for showing enthusiasm towards her learning and always being so kind and helpful.

Cheetahs: Myles - for creating a fantastic model of our solar system and participating in our Space Week activities.

Panthers: Harrison - for being an enthusiastic learner, particularly in English.

Lions: Hannah - for such enthusiasm towards her Maths and reading.

Tigers: Evelina - for consistently working hard and challenging yourself.

Polar Bears: Jemima - for consistently extending her learning at home.

Pandas: David - for amazing independent learning about space.

Hippos: Blake - for creative perspective in his diary writing.

Elephants: Florence - for showing wonderful perseverance in Maths and working brilliantly with her partner.

Kangaroos: Charlie H - for always trying your best and consistently completing your work to a high standard.

Giraffes: Harriet - for always having a positive and enthusiastic attitude in class.

Chimps: Coral - for having a positive attitude towards her learning and confidently contributing ideas.

Lemurs: Lyla-Rose - for demonstrating good team work during our Science experiment.

TTRS Superstars

Year 2: Francesca- Tigers

Evelina- Tigers

Oliver - Tigers

Year 3 & 4: Lucas - Elephants

Finn - Elephants

Sofie - Pandas

Year 5 & 6: Hardy - Chimps

Scarlett - Chimps

Maddy - Giraffes

Home School Link Worker—Newsletter

Please find the HSLW Weekly Bulletin attached, which includes information on World Mental Health Day and Surrey Young Carers, as well as a 'space themed' recipe and fun activity for families to try at home.

<https://www.stmarys-byfleet.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Weekly+Bulletins&pid=385>

Dates for your Diary

(New dates in bold)

13.10.2021	Open Morning
14.10.2021	Disco - PTA & Friends
15.10.2021	Open Classrooms
18 & 19.10.2021	Parents Evenings
19.10.2021	Photo Orders - Closing Date
22.10.2021	Additional INSET Day
w/c 25.10.2021	Half Term
31.10.2021	Secondary School Applications DEADLINE
w/c 01.11.2021	Outdoor Learning Week
01.11.2021	Primary School Applications OPEN
02.11.2021	Sleeping Beauty Pantomime
02.11.2021	Firework Event - PTA & Friends
12.11.2021	Children in Need
w/c 15.11.2021	Life Bus
16.11.2021	Year 6 Shakespeare Workshop
10.12.2021	Christmas Fair - PTA & Friends
17.12.2021	End of Term - 1.05pm
04.01.2022	INSET Day
05.01.2022	Start of Spring Term