St John's C of E Infant School Newsletter 26th May 2023



Latest News

Wow! Where did that term go?

There have been lots of exciting developments this term, we are most excited about the news that we have a new team of people willing to lead the PTA committee. See the page below for some upcoming dates as our fabulous current team prepare to leave and the new team are keen to meet everyone and take the reigns.

Our current attendance figures have been affected by holidays being taken around the half term either a few days before or after. This is a real shame as up to that point attendance for the term had been doing well. Please see the item below on attendance, the policy and reporting absence.

Attached with this week's newsletter is information for parents about classes, staff and how we help everyone manage change from one class to the next. Please take time to read this information so you can help answer any questions you or your children may have.

We will be looking for a parent or a parent rota for both Year One and Year Two to help us each week on forest school for the next academic year. If this is something you feel you would be interested in then we would love to hear from you. We will see you on Tuesday 6th June following our INSET day.

Don't forget to dress to impress (school uniform) for class photographs on Wednesday 7th June. Year 2 in school uniform and bring PE kit to change into.

Marion Stevens

Dates

- 5th June—INSET DAY
- 6th June—Yr R school trip
- 7th June- Class photos
- 10th June-Yr 2 Country dancing at Churt fete
- 15th June

 Rabbit class assembly at 2.30pm
- 15th June—PTA AGM
- 17th June—Spring Spruce
- 20th June- New Rabbits Forest School at 1.30pm
- 23rd June—Yr 2 Singing Spree, Farnham
- 26th June-Fox class assembly at 2.30pm
- 27th June—Moving up day
- 28th June—Badger class assembly at 2.30pm
- 27th June-New Rabbits stay & play at 1.15pm
- 4th July

 New parents induction evening at 7pm
- 5th July-Sports day & picnic lunch at 12.30pm
- 6th July-Yr 1 Waverley Abbey activity morning
- 7th July-Yr 1 school trip
- 9th July-Summer Fair
- 10th July—Reports
- 20th July leavers service
 9am at the church
- 20th July-Last day of term,
 2pm finish



Have you spotted our poppies welcoming in the summer time?





"Trust in God with all your heart."

Proverbs 3:5'

Values News

We have listened to the story of Abraham this week . God asked big things of him, to move his whole family to another place leaving his friends and home behind. Abraham took some time to decide , but he put his trust in God and did as he was asked. He made new friends and enjoyed his

new life but it was a big leap of faith.

Have you taken a leap of faith?

Have you had to trust someone completely?



God Called Abraham

Celebrate Success

In Rabbit Class Isla W has been a superstar in all her learning this week.

In Fox class Isaac O has enjoyed his learning about Australia producing a super leaflet.

In Badger Class star learner was Evie who has been incredibly resilient this week.

Well done everyone we are so proud of you!





PTA

New Team Need Electing!!

Exciting news, we have a new passionate team of PTA chairs to lead the committee in September and they are keen to get a good hand-

over. To do this they need to have been elected by the parent body. We would love for you to join us at the PTA AGM on <u>Thursday 15th June at 7.30pm</u> in the school hall for our annual general meeting.

We will give a summary of the year to date, give thanks to the leaving members and introduce the new team. Lucie Thornton, Amy Sweeting and Laura Baker.

Katy is still leading the Summer fair on Sunday 9th July 12-2.30. So please support her to make this a super summer event.

Helping Hands—Summer Spruce



You should have received an email this week about the helping hands event **9-12 on Saturday 17th June**. We are looking for some people to help around the grounds even if just for an hour.

Please refer to your emails for the digital sign up details.







What fun Badgers had experiencing shabbat this week!







Attendance

Please note as everyone begins to think about holidays, Surrey County Council guidance gives Headteachers the power to authorise absence only in exceptional circumstances.

Examples of exceptional circumstances, quoted by the Department for Education (DfE), are: service personnel and family crises. Family holidays taken during term time due to affordability or work restrictions do not meet the DfE criteria for authorisation. You can read our attendance policy in full here. This includes a request for absence form which must be completed if you are requesting time off school, the exception being illness. You will also be asked to complete one retrospectively if you have not done so before taking the holiday.

If your child is too ill for school it must be reported by 9.15 on the day of the absence. We need to know the details of what is wrong with the child when reporting the absence. This information has to be recorded alongside the code for the absence as well as us keeping track of any reportable disease issues.

Safeguarding

Safequarding

If you are concerned about the safeguarding of a child at any time, please contact Surrey children's single point of access C-SPA on

:0300 470 9100

For out of hours see our website.

During school hours you can contact the school Safequarding leads Mrs. Stevens or Mrs. Ireland DSL@stjohnsfarnham.surrey.sch.uk or

telephone 01428 713216

Wellbeing

If you know a family, child or young person in need of help. You might like to point them in the direction of the Surrey website https://www.mindworks- surrey.org/

The children's mental health charity, Place2Be, has a website aimed at helping parents with typical situations they can find themselves in with their children. The Parenting Smart website can found here:



Welcome to Mindworks Surrey, the new emotional wellbeing and mental health service for children and young people in Surrey.





Wishanger Wild School



Check out our sessions



Smithfield Lane
Between
Headley and
Churt

Toddlers, Older children, Home Ed families, Foraging and Workshops

Sessions for Children from confident walkers upwards

https://www.wishangerwildschool.co.uk





- Rope bridges Tracking & trailing Wide games Storytelling
- Wild art Killer frisbee Craft skills Survival skills

Forest School holiday club at Alice Holt

10.00-4.00. Ages 5 and over £48/day Alice Holt Forest, Bucks Horn Oak, Surrey GU10 4LS



For more details or to book a place visit www.wild-learning.net



CHURT WELFARE TRUST Helping where there is need in Churt

Providing financial help in many forms to those in need in and around Churt.

The trustee's welcome requests for help and seek leads on the needs of others, too often hidden, in order to reach those in need across the village.

PLEASE HELP BY BEING OUR EYES AND EARS! PLEASE TELL US IF YOU ARE AWARE OF NEED IN WHATEVER FORM

One off help given (we cannot commit to repeat) has included:

- * Welfare needs of individuals and families * Heating costs for elderly
- * Needs at time of financial stress * White goods, furniture and aids
 - * Transport costs * Breaks and respite care * School trips

For help or to alert the trustees please contact in confidence:

Churt & Hindhead Cricket Club are looking for new Junior Member. Please follow the link below for more information and to register.

https://club.spond.com/landing/courses/churthindheadccBD63B5B711B44097ADD0FB6C6B28B8D3



We are still looking for a Crossing Patrol Officer who could support the children safely across Barford Lane in the morning and afternoon.

Surrey County Council

would accept a job share for this position. For more details <u>Click here</u>

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