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Inspiring the individual; creating a community

## Our Christian Value for this half term is Respect Friday 12th January 2018

## Coming up next week

#### Wednesday 17th January

Year 5 and 6 River and Rowing Museum

#### Letters sent home this week

Parent lunches

## SATS Parents Information Meetings Year 6

Thursday 25th January at 3pm at Westcott.

#### Year 2

Monday 29th January at 3pm at Westcott

and

Tuesday 30th January at 2.30pm at Abinger.

This is a great opportunity to find out how you can support and help your child in the run up to SATS week.

### **Christmas Jumper Day**

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Christmas jumper day and donated - we raised £65 for Save the Children.

CHRISTMAS

Good afternoon,

Welcome back to the Spring Term at Surrey Hills. I hope you enjoyed a wonderful Christmas holiday and are ready for the excitements 2018 has to offer. The staff and I would like to thank everyone for your kind wishes and the generous gifts we received from families for Christmas. It has been lovely to see the children return ready for school and looking very smart.

It has been an interesting week at Surrey Hills!

It was positive to see how many parents attended the meeting on Monday to find out more about the Ofsted report and judgements. I am proud to be the Headteacher at Surrey Hills as I have a team of superb and dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide the children with exciting and engaging lessons. The children behave well and they take pride in their school and their learning. They are well rounded individuals, confident and ready for their next steps. If you were unable to attend the meeting and have a question, please do not hesitate to contact the school office to make an appointment to see Mrs Evelyn or myself.

I would like to thank you for the many positive comments we have received regarding our Ofsted report  $\sim$  they have been thoughtful and uplifting.

Later in the week, the boiler at the Abinger site broke which meant we did not have heating. Thankfully by using the two sites, we have been able to continue to teach all the children. Fingers crossed, the boiler will be repaired this afternoon.

This half term we will be focusing in school on the Christian Value, Respect. The Value Newsletter will be sent home today, with ideas to share with your child.

We have a busy and exciting term ahead! Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

## **Dog Safety Assembly**

On Monday Jody from The House Vet led an assembly to raise awareness with the children about how to keep themselves safe when around dogs. The children were taught to recognise when it may be best not to approach a dog and were also taught how to behave when meeting an unknown dog for the first time. We are looking forward to repeating the assembly at Abinger next week.

## **Happy New Year**

Years 3 and 4 have come back refreshed and raring to learn! We've had a fun week, exploring traditional tales with a twist – and their own writing has been outstanding! We've also made a few New Year resolutions to make sure everyone has a happy time at school. Our topic of 'Healthy Me' is prompting us to think about how to keep fit and well too.







## **Reception and Year 3 Applications**

**Deadline: 15th January 2018** 

Reminder the deadline for Primary School applications for 2018 school entry is 15th January 2018.

Online applications are encouraged. Full information is available on Surreys website at:

www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/school-admissions

Parents who miss the deadline reduce their chances of getting one of their preferred schools so it's important to apply on time.

Weekly Attendance Stats	W/C 4th Dec	W/C 11th Dec	W/C 18th Dec	W/C 1st Jan
Weekly Attendance	95.05	94.11%	91.8%	93.01%
Weekly Number of Lates:	8	10	12	2
Attendance Year to Date:	96.49%	96.49%	96.19%	96.10%

## **Healthy Eating**

Healthy eating is always a priority at Surrey Hills. We encourage parents to ensure that packed lunches follow school guidance. All children are encouraged to drink plenty of water and have a healthy snack at playtime. There are only a few don'ts, namely no sweets, no fizzy drinks or nuts (including Nutella).

Please help to support the school with its aim to be healthy.



Useful Contact Numbers/ Emails					
Surrey Hills School Governors	chair@surreyhills.surrey.sch.uk	Breakfast Club at	07543 982128 Dan Henwood		
		Abinger			
After School Club at Westcott	07787 568091	Breakfast Club at	01483 270160 Pleiades		
		Westcott			



## Planning your holiday break or booking a hotel?





Please don't forget to book via **Easyfundraising** so that the travel company makes a donation to F@SH at no cost to you.

Ensure you have registered and chosen the following link as your cause

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/surreyhills/

## It's Auction Time

Did you know that F@SH has 3 fantastic auctions up for grabs on our FB page?

- 1. Curves Fitness Club one month membership for 2 Auction ends at 8pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January
- 2. Full Body Massage. Auction ends at 8pm on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January

Wotton House Leisure Club - one month membership for 2. Auction ends at 8pm on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January

## Face for F@SH competition



F@SH are running a competition to find 2 children's faces to use with our F@SH collateral. We are looking for a face from the Abinger site and a face from the Westcott site. Launching today you can enter your child/children into the competition at a cost of £1.50 per child. Entries need to be submitted by Monday 22nd January 2018 by 12pm midnight.

Forms with details will be placed into kids school bags or you can download a form from our F@SH FB page under files.

The **2 winning children's names** will be drawn from a hat at the **F@SH planning meeting on Tuesday 23rd Jan 2018** at the Abinger Hatch. This meeting will be held at 8pm and all are welcome to attend.

Our resident parent, professional photographer, <u>Petra Hancox</u> (<u>www.worldphotoadventure/petra-hancox/.com</u>) is donating her time and photography skills to F@SH. Petra will photograph the winning children on a scheduled date at one of the school sites.

Good luck!

F@SH

## **Diary Dates 2018**

Please add these dates to your diary but check the Newsletter each week for any changes/updates. These will appear in red. F@SH dates are shown in blue.

#### January

Moles Class Parent Lunch	24th Jan
Year 6 SATS Parents Information Meeting	25th Jan
at Westcott at 3pm	
Squirrels class Assembly	26th Jan
Year 2 SATS Parents Information Meeting	29th Jan
at Westcott at 3pm	
at Abinger at 2.30pm	30th Jan
Foxes Class Parent Lunch	31st Jan

#### **February**

Badgers Class Parent Lunch	7th Feb
Valentines Disco (YR, KS1 & KS2) at Westc	ott 9th Feb
Half Term	12th—16th Feb
INSET Day	19th Feb
Hedgehogs Class Parent Lunch	21st Feb
Foxes Class Assembly	23rd Feb
Rabbits Class Parent Lunch	28th Feb

#### March

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Squirrels Class Parent Lunch	7th Mar
Ladybirds Class Parent Lunch	14th Mar
Moles Class Assembly	16th Mar
Butterfly Class Parent Lunch	21st Mar
Dragonfly Class Assembly	23rd Mar
Dragonfly Class Parent Lunch	28th Mar
Easter cake sale	29th Mar
End of Term (early close times)	29th Mar
Abinger 1.15pm – Westcott 1.30pm	
Bank Holiday	30th Mar

#### April

Bank Holiday 2nd Apr Start of the Summer Term 16th Apr Bees Class Parent Lunch 18th Apr Caterpillars Class Parent Lunch 25th Apr

#### May

Bank Holiday 7th May
Hedgehogs Class Assembly 18th May
Badgers Class Assembly 25th May
Bank Holiday 28th May
Half Term 29th May—1st Jun

June



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'Kingfisher'

Farm Shop

Seville oranges Marmalade in the making!

Watercress Beds, Abinger Hammer, Dorking, Surrey, RH5 6AG
Farm shop Monday to Saturday 9am-6pm Sunday 10am-4pm
Flower shop Tuesday to Saturday 9am-5pm

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