

# Newsletter

*Inspiring the individual; creating a community*



C of E Primary School

**Our Christian Value for this half term is PERSEVERANCE**

**Friday 24th March 2017**

## Coming Up Next Week

### **Monday 27th March**

-Easter Pause Day  
-Years 3/4 & 5/6 Cross  
Country League, The Weald

### **Tuesday 28th March**

- Year 6 1:1 Meetings  
- Production Bugs Parents  
Watching Week

### **Wednesday 29th March**

- Running Club  
- Year 6 1:1 Meetings

### **Thursday 30th March**

- Dragonfly Parent Lunch

### **Friday 31st March**

- 1.15pm Abinger end of  
term. F@SH cake sale  
  
- 1.30pm Westcott end of  
term. F@SH cake sale

## School Post Box

Whenever possible please  
use the School Post Box  
for reply slips etc. This is  
to alleviate queues in the  
reception area in the  
morning.

## Inconsiderate Parking

Please remember to park  
considerately when using  
the car park at The Prince of  
Wales pub and not across  
the front of the pub or over  
hanging the road.

Good afternoon.

Welcome to our penultimate newsletter before the Easter break. We are intending on sending out a short newsletter next week with any updates which might be of interest.

The children in Key Stage 2 are busy enjoying a Shakespeare workshop as I type. It was lovely to see the children acting out parts of Macbeth with such enthusiasm and passion. You can still make a contribution if you have not yet done so.

It has been great to Shakespeare Week being celebrated by all children through a range of themed tasks and activities, spanning a range of subjects. During the week the children thoroughly enjoyed learning about William Shakespeare, his plays and his legacy. The children have looked in-depth at some of Shakespeare's most famous characters, bringing them to life through role-play and creative writing, and learned about the Royal Shakespeare Company.

It has been good to see the turnout for parents evening with well over 84% attendance. Attending these meetings is important as it is vital that parents engage in their children's education. The office team will be contacting everyone who did not make an appointment to arrange a different time. Parents' evening are a limited time, so please do feel free to contact the school office at any time should you wish to discuss anything with your child's class teacher and they will be happy to meet with you.

Next week is our last week of term where a number of Easter activities are planned for the children as well as the KS2 talent show to raise funds for cancer research. School closes next Friday at 1.15pm (Abinger) and 1.30pm (Westcott) and will reopen to pupils on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

Finally, I would like to inform you that Mrs Grover (Closing the Gap teacher, part-time) is pregnant. We would like to pass on our 'Congratulations' to Mrs Grover, we are all really pleased for her and her family. Mrs Grover will be starting her maternity leave in May.

Have a good weekend.

Best wishes

Jennie Ratcliff

*Jennie Ratcliff*

*Headteacher*

## Primary Schools' Day Fulham Football Club

Despite the 3-1 loss it was a brilliant day. Seeing Surrey Hills decked out with their face paint, foam paws and enjoying the game together was a lovely sight. Thank you for all your support.



## Primary Schools' Cross Country Race

Well done to Hayden who came joint second in the Primary Schools' Cross Country race at Reigate Priory Park on Saturday 11th March. Also huge congratulations to all the children who took part and showed great endurance and perseverance.

If you are in Reigate tomorrow at 1:15pm, please pop along to Priory Park to cheer Hayden along as he represents Surrey in the inter county competition. We are very proud of him.



## Friday 31st March

On the last day of term Friday 31st March, Mia and her friends from Surrey Hills will be supporting Cancer Research by holding a Talent Show at the Westcott site. All children from the Westcott site are invited to come to school wearing an item of blue clothing for a £1 donation.

You will be treated to a fantastic show and there will be cake sales and lucky dips at both sites at pick up time.

**Headteacher: Mrs Jennie Ratcliff**

**Assistant Head Teachers: Miss Bethan Lucas and Mrs Hanna Garrick**

**Abinger Site**

**Westcott Site**



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## Diary Dates 2016/2017

Please add these dates to your diary but check the Newsletter each week for any changes/updates these will appear in red.

### March 2017

Easter Pause Day 27th March  
Parent Lunch – Dragonfly 30th March

**End of Spring term 31st March 2017**

**Early close times Abinger 1.15pm Westcott 1.30pm**

**Easter Holiday 3rd April – 17th April 2017**

**Back in school on the 18th April 2017**

### April 2017

Year 6 Residential Trip - Payment £33.75 7th April  
Year 4 Residential Trip - Payment £22.00 7th April  
Parent Lunch – Bees 20th April  
Mole Valley Music Festival, Dorking Halls 24th April  
Parent Lunch – Caterpillar 25th April  
Parent Class Drop In 25th April  
8.45am – 9.30am Abinger  
2.30 – 3.15pm Westcott

### May 2017

**Bank Holiday 1st May 2017**

Teddy Bears Picnic 1st May  
Parent Forum Meeting Date TBC  
Year 6 Residential Trip- Payment £33.75 5th May  
Year 4 Residential Trip - Payment £22.00 5th May  
KS2 SATs Week 8th May  
Squirrels Class Assembly 26th May

**End of Term 26th May 2017 – Normal close times**

**Half Term 29th May – 5th June 2017**

**End of Summer Term 21st July 2017 – Early close times**

**Abinger 1.15pm – Westcott 1.30pm**

**Summer Holidays 21st July – 2nd September 2017**

### June 2017

Sports Day – Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 8th June  
Year 6 Residential Trip - Payment £33.75 9th June  
Year 4 Residential Trip - Payment £22.00 9th June  
Ladybirds Class Assembly 9th June  
Arts Week 12th June  
Reserve Sports Day – Years 3,4, 5, and 6 15th June  
Fathers/Grandfathers Activity Afternoon 16th June  
Year 4 Residential Trip 20th – 23rd June  
Year 6 Leavers Service at Guildford 26th June (am)  
Year 6 Residential Trip 26th (pm) – 30th June  
Sports Day – Reception, Years 1 and 2 (Abinger Site) 29th June  
Bees Class Assembly 30th June

### July 2017

Move up Day 4th July  
Reserve Sports Day - Reception, Years 1 and 2 (Abinger Site) 6th July

The last INSET Day for this academic year is on the 7th July. The school will be closed for staff training on this day.

## INSET Dates for 2017/18

Monday 4th September 2017 - Children start 5th September 2017

Friday 13th October 2017

Monday 19th February 2018

Friday 22nd June 2018

**The last INSET day is now confirmed as Monday 23rd July**

## Reminders

### Snacks for Break Times

There have been a number of children who have been seen eating crisps and biscuits at break time. Please can we have your support in reminding children that snacks at morning break need to be a piece of fruit or veg. Thank you.

### Nail Varnish

Nail varnish is wonderful for parties and weekends, however needs to be removed for school.

### Trainers

Some children have been wearing trainers to school. A polite reminder that trainers are not part of the school uniform.



### Useful Contact Numbers/ Emails

Surrey Hills School Governors	chair@surreyhills.surrey.sch.uk
Breakfast Club at Abinger	07901 926191
Breakfast Club at Westcott	01483 270160
After School Club at Westcott	07787 568091