

Newsletter

Inspiring the individual; creating a community



C of E Primary School

Our Christian Value for this half term is COURAGE

Friday 9th June 2017

12th June

Monday 12th June

- Arts Week
- Years 5/6 Rounders

Tuesday 13th June

- Year 5 Ashcombe MFL/ICT Visit
- Years 3/4 Rounders

Wednesday 14th June

- Year 2 from Abinger/Feeder schools tour , Westcott 2pm.

Thursday 15th June

- Years 5/6 Kwik Cricket Girls Newdigate CC
- Running Club

Friday 16th June

- Fathers and Grandfathers Activity Afternoon

Fathers and Grandfathers Activity Day

Friday 16th June

**Abinger Site:
Activities 1.30pm to 2.30pm
Refreshments at 2.30pm**

**Westcott Site:
Activities 2pm to 3pm
Refreshments at 3pm**

Good afternoon, you will find yet again a busy newsletter!

I would like to start by congratulating our fantastic Golf teams who took part in the Dorking School Tri Golf Festival yesterday. I am thrilled as they were first and second so will now represent Surrey Hills at the county finals. Well done to both teams.

Thank you so much to all of you who came to support our Key Stage 2 sports day yesterday. Mrs Stowell organised this wonderful event, it went like clockwork and the rain did not dampen any spirits so a big thank you to her as well. I think it fair to say that the children did us all proud. Their competitive spirit coupled with sportsmanlike conduct throughout was a pleasure to behold. Another thank you to F@SH, in particular Mrs Stockhausen and Mrs Duerden for arranging and providing a wonderful selection of fruit for the children.

Preparations are well under way for our new entrants joining the school this September and for those pupils leaving us for secondary school in July. Staff from the local secondary schools have begun their visits to the school, to meet the children. Next week there is a meeting to welcome parents of children joining our reception classes, to Surrey Hills ~ Thursday 15th June, 7pm at the Abinger site. As part of our transition process, we have invited Year 2 children (with their parents) from Abinger and our feeder schools to come in for a talk and tour of the Westcott site Wednesday 14th June, 2pm at the Westcott site.

It is at this time of year the Senior Leadership Team and staff are discussing class groups for 2017/18. We do take parental thoughts into account and I would ask that any parent that has any thoughts/concerns for next year to email studor@surreyhills.surrey.sch.uk before **Friday 16th June 2016**. All parental thoughts shared with us will be considered however we cannot guarantee we can meet all requests.

Your child will also have an opportunity to write a list of children they have enjoyed working with, and we will consider this as well. When creating classes we have many factors to consider, for example, ability range, gender, behaviour and working relationships – see the accompanying letter for more details.

Everyone at Surrey Hills wishes Mrs Barker (learning support assistant) a speedy recovery after her routine operation next week.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the Abinger Fair tomorrow. The children from the Abinger site open the event at 2pm as they process from the school to the green and then entertain the crowds with their maypole dancing. Today we had a dress rehearsal and they looked amazing. Thank you to Mrs Wakeford for supporting us again. Let's hope it stays dry tomorrow!

Wishing you an enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes.

*Jennie Ratcliff,
Headteacher*

Year 3 and 4 Tri Golf Festival

All of Year 3 and 4 have been having specialist Tri Golf coaching from Tom Bridger the golf coach at Betchworth Park Golf Club. From these classes two teams were selected to represent Surrey Hills in the Dorking Tri Golf Festival which took place on Thursday. The children took part in eight activities, scoring points as a team at each. There were 10 teams altogether and it was a quite cold and drizzly morning. However, amazingly we came 1st and 2nd!

"I had my fingers, toes and even my eyes crossed when we were waiting for the results!" (Kitty – Red Team gold medallist)

"I was really nervous before, but I'm really proud of myself and everyone else," (Alex – Blue Team silver medallist)

Our first placed team will go on to represent Dorking in the County final at Surrey Sports Park in July.



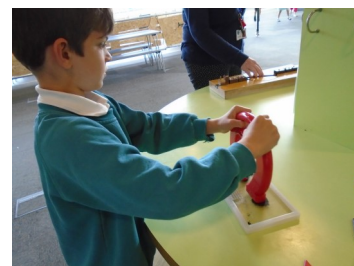
Year 2 Winchester Science Museum Trip

Quotes from the children:

Jack "The museum was really fun because I really like science. I liked how they used the x-rays to see bones of animals and found out more about this."

Jess "The best part for me was when we went into the planetarium and the show looked real as the screen was the ceiling above us."

Ella "I enjoyed going round all of the games and finding out what they were. There were long tubes with mixtures in there which made bubbles."



Freya "I liked the planetarium because it was so cool looking at the screen on the ceiling."

Whilst at the museum the children were complemented on their behaviour; being polite, sensible and turn taking in a thoughtful way.







Headteacher: Mrs Jennie Ratcliff

Assistant Head Teachers: Miss Bethan Lucas and Mrs Hanna Garrick

Abinger Site

Westcott Site

	Abinger Lane, Abinger Common, Dorking, Surrey RH5 6HZ	School Lane, Westcott, Dorking, Surrey RH4 3QF
	01306 730747	01306 881136
	abinger@surreyhillssurrey.sch.uk	westcott@surreyhillssurrey.sch.uk
	www.surreyhillssprimaryschool.org.uk	

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.

June

Arts Week	12th Jun
Years 5 and 6 Rounders	12th Jun
Year 5 Ashcombe MFL/ICT Visit	13th Jun
Years 3 and 4 Rounders	13th Jun
Years 5 and 6 Girls Kwik Cricket	15th Jun
Fathers/Grandfathers Activity Afternoon	16th Jun
Years 3 and 4 Dance Festival	19th Jun
Year 4 Residential Trip	20th – 23rd Jun
Years 3 and 4 Mini Tennis	20th Jun
Year 6 Leavers Service at Guildford	26th (am) Jun
Year 6 Residential Trip	26th (pm) - 30th Jun
Parent Forum Meeting at Westcott	7pm on 28th Jun
Sports Day – Reception, Years 1 and 2 (Abinger Site)	29th Jun
	9.15am to 12.30pm
Year 5 The Big Sing	29th Jun
Bees Class Assembly	30th Jun

July

Move up Day	4th Jul
Reserve Sports Day - Reception, Years 1 and 2 (Abinger Site)	6th Jul
Years 5 and 6 Pixham Athletics	6th Jul
Inset Day	7th Jul
Year 5 Summer Fair – 9.00am at Abinger	12th Jul
Year 5 Summer Fair – 1.00pm at Westcott	13th Jul
Caterpillar Class Assembly	14th Jul
Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 6.30pm	18th Jul
Year 6 Leavers Party – 6.30pm – 8.30pm	20th Jul
End of Term (early close time)	21st Jul
Abinger 1.15pm – Westcott 1.30pm	

Summer Holidays 21st July – 2nd September

Inset Day	4th Sep
Start of Autumn Term	5th Sep
Inset Day	13th Oct
Half Term	23rd – 27th Oct
End of Term (early close times)	21st Dec
Abinger 1.15pm – Westcott 1.30pm	
Start of Spring Term	4th Jan
Half Term	12th–16th Feb
Inset Day	19th Feb
End of Term (early close times)	29th Mar
Abinger 1.15pm – Westcott 1.30pm	

Swimming Reminder

If your child is attending swimming lessons this term please remember they need to bring a swimming hat. This is part of The Priory School policy.

Children's After School Class

Japanese Martial Arts : Aikido and Kenjutsu

Mondays 4.15pm- 5.30pm (during school term time)

@ The Westcott Reading Room, Westcott RH4 3NP

Taught by Nicola Endicott 3rd Dan



Nicola teaching the warm up at a children's class outdoors

Aikido is a form of self-defence, which aims to harmonise and transform an attack. Kenjutsu is a sword form practised in partners with wooden swords. Both Japanese art forms help develop coordination, balance, focus, physical confidence and calmness under pressure.

What we do in the class:

The class is structured into 3 parts of similar length: warm-up, Aikido practice and Kenjutsu practice. The warm-up consists of stretching, breathing and centering exercises.

The Aikido practice involves working in partners and learning how to best transform an attack into a movement. We practice Aikido against grips, punches and strikes. In Kenjutsu practice, we learn how to use a wooden sword and practice a set form with partners.

Children's ages: 5-12 years old (the class has mixed ages)

Class cost: A trial class costs £5 per child, this can be done anytime during the term. Further classes are £8 per class and are paid per term or remaining part of term in advance. Additionally, there is an annual Dojo membership fee of £18, which covers insurance, this is payable after the trial class.

Venue: Westcott Reading Room, Institute Road, Guildford Rd, Westcott RH4 3NP

The Teacher: The class will be taught by Nicola Endicott 3rd Dan, who has over 19 years teaching experience. She is DBS checked through the Amateur Martial Association.

Contact: nicolaendicott@yahoo.com or 01306640389. www.dorking-aikido-and-kenjutsu-dojo.co.uk

Weekly Attendance Stats	W/C 8th May	W/C 15th May	W/C 22nd May
School Target 2016/2017:	96.50%	96.50%	96.50%
Weekly Attendance:	94.37%	95.95%	93.66%
Weekly Number of Lates:	19	20	26
Attendance Year to Date:	95.71%	95.75%	95.67%
Useful Contact Numbers/ Emails			
Surrey Hills School Governors	chair@surreyhillsschool.surrey.sch.uk		
Breakfast Club at Abinger	07901 926191		
Breakfast Club at Westcott	01483 270160		
After School Club at Westcott	07787 568091		