

Newsletter

Inspiring the individual; creating a community



C of E Primary School

Our Christian Value for this half term is COURAGE

Friday 30th June 2017

Week Commencing

3rd July

Tuesday 4th July

- Move up Day

Thursday 6th July

- Running
- Year 5 and 6 Team District Sports

Friday 7th July

- Inset Day

Mindfulness

Parent Session

Reminder:

12th July 2017

1.30pm to 3pm

at the Westcott site

Good afternoon. Time is flying by - I have no idea where June has gone!

Year 6 have been away this week at High Ashurst and Thames Young Mariners and have enjoyed a fantastic week by all accounts. The week started with them attending their leavers' service at Guildford Cathedral. It was lovely to hear their 'wow' moments and their reflections on their time at Surrey Hills – a very reflective group of children. The children are heading back today, no doubt dirty and exhausted but having had a great time. My thanks as always to the staff who have given up their free time to look after the children for the week. It is no easy feat being on duty 24 hours a day.

On Thursday, we held our Key Stage 1 Sport's Day at the Abinger site. The weather was kind to us and all ran smoothly. A big thank you to Mrs Stowell for organising the event, for F@SH for providing us a delicious selection of fruit for the children and the Prido family for providing a field for parking. It was lovely to see many parents and grandparents supporting the children.

On Tuesday 4th July, it is Move up Day! We will be welcoming our new Reception and Year 3 children. In the morning, the children will be put into their new classes then they will meet their teachers for the next academic year. A letter is attached to the newsletter outlining how the classes will be formed for 2017-2018.

Finally, we will be supporting the WESTfest event on Sunday and I look forward to seeing many of you there. Children who are performing should meet at the arena tent at 1pm.

I hope that you have an enjoyable weekend.

Jennie Ratcliff,

Headteacher



Headlice Alert We are still receiving messages from parents informing us that their child has head lice. Please be extra vigilant and check your child's hair regularly. You can buy over the counter remedies or simply use hair conditioner and a nit comb to remove them.

F@SH Planning Meeting

[F@SH](#) Planning Meeting

Wednesday 12th July 2017

Bertram Bees, Westcott from 8-10pm

We hope to see you there.

Courage Song

Please find below a link to the Joshua 1:9 song which is on Courage, this half term's Christian Value. This is should your child wishes to sing the song at home.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fvO_Sj4yhzk

Year 5 visits to The Ashcombe School

Information, Communication, Technology (ICT): This month, Year 5 have been on two trips to visit The Ashcombe School. On Thursday 8th June, they were given the opportunity to learn some French and Spanish in a special workshop using computer programmes. They had an amazing time and thoroughly enjoyed competing to see who had the best knowledge of the French names for vegetables.

'We played some great games. It was a really fun way to learn different languages!' Felix.

The Big Sing: This Thursday, we returned to The Ashcombe to perform the German song 'Der, Die, Das' in front of other Dorking Primary Schools. Although this was a slightly nerve-racking event; the children performed wonderfully and were even asked for a repeat performance.

'I really enjoyed! There was a great atmosphere with all of the different schools there.' Bella.

Prince of Wales Pub Parking



Despite several reminders to park considerately at the Prince of Wales pub, we have received further complaints regarding parking. Please do not park in what would be the pedestrian area of the car park. Parents with pushchairs and disabled people are unable to get through the gap and on one occasion had to walk on to the road. It is important that all children at Surrey Hills can walk to school safely.

Weekly Attendance Stats	W/C 8th May	W/C 15th May	W/C 22nd May	W/C 5th June	W/C 12th June	W/C 19th June
School Target 2016/2017:	96.50%	96.50%	96.50%	96.50%	96.50%	96.50%
Weekly Attendance:	94.37%	95.95%	93.66%	95.60%	96.15%	
Weekly Number of Lates:	19	20	26	19	20	
Attendance Year to Date:	95.71%	95.75%	95.67%	95.39%	95.68%	

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Reception and KS1 Sports Day

On Thursday 29th June 2017, the Reception and KS1 classes took part in their annual Sports Day at the Abinger site. There was a fun and exciting atmosphere as all the children took part in a carousel of activities including a dressing up race, relay, ladders, jumping and bean bag throw. This was followed by some sprint races showing great talent for our teams for the future!

The results for Reception and KS1 are:

1st place went to Box with 1909

2nd place went to Ranmore with 1886

3rd place went to Leith with 1880

4th place went to Holmbury with 1820

Congratulations to Box, the overall winners of Sports Day (combined results from Reception, KS1 and KS2) will be announced in assembly next week and the cup presented to the House Captains of the winning team.

‘Sports day was really fun, I enjoyed the race where we had to dress the scarecrow up the most. Someone from our team was the scarecrow and they looked funny with all the silly clothes on. At lunch time we got a picnic bag from school, it was really nice, and we sat with our parents and friends on the field to eat.’ Jess

‘‘It was really nice to have everyone at Abinger for sports day this year. I liked the running races the most. I won my race, everyone was cheering, the noise was phenomenal and when I crossed the finish line I felt really proud of myself.’’ Charlotte



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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.

July

Move up Day	4th Jul
Reserve Sports Day - Reception, Years 1 and 2 (Abinger Site)	6th Jul
Years 5 and 6 Pixham Athletics, 6pm to 8pm	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
F@SH Cake Sale	20th Jul
Abinger at 3pm, Westcott at 3.30pm	
Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (Westcott only)	20th 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

September

Inset Day	4th Sep
Start of Autumn Term	5th Sep

October

Inset Day	13th Oct
Half Term	23rd – 27th Oct

December

End of Term (early close times)	21st Dec
Abinger 1.15pm – Westcott 1.30pm	

January

Start of Spring Term	4th Jan
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February

Half Term	12th – 16th Feb
Inset Day	19th Feb

March

End of Term (early close times)	29th Mar
Abinger 1.15pm – Westcott 1.30pm	

April

Start of Summer Term	16th Apr
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May

Half Term	28th May – 1st Jun
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June

Inset Day	22nd Jun
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Giant Music Day Reigate Grammar School

On Monday 26th June 2017, 5 students visited Reigate Grammar School to sing in a large choir of children from different schools in Surrey. We were there for the whole day practising different songs; it was very enjoyable. We also went to the church to perform in front of parents and Mrs Ratcliff!

WESTfest

Thank you for all the raffle tickets purchased so far. Please return any counterfoils, money and unsold tickets to WESTfest on Sunday.



Useful Contact Numbers/ Emails

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