

Newsletter

Inspiring the individual; creating a community



C of E Primary School

Our Christian Value for this half term is PERSEVERANCE

Friday 24th February 2017

Coming Up Next Week

Thursday 2nd March
Rabbits Parent Lunch

Running Club

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS IS BACK ...

We are pleased to be collecting vouchers once again to exchange for lots of fantastic cooking, gardening and sports equipment. You can collect vouchers when you shop in store or online. The collection box is in our School Offices.

Year 6 Residential Trip

The next instalment for the Thames Young Mariners trip in June is due on **Friday 3rd March**, the amount is £33.75.



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.

Good morning and welcome back to school after the half term break. I hope that you were able to spend time catching up with life! Whilst it seems a bit of a drudge through the cold dark days of January and February, we are definitely starting to see the light again and managing to at least arrive at school in daylight hours. Before long the clocks will be moving and we will have longer days once more. This half term is very short indeed, yet we have lots to fit in: World Book Day, Shakespeare week, Red Nose Day, Mother and Grandmother afternoon as well as Parents' Evening to name a few!

We are delighted to welcome Mrs McFarlane, a SCITT student from St Martins, to Surrey Hills who will be working with Mrs Kong in Hedgehog class. Mrs McFarlane will be observing the best practice of our teachers before beginning her 6 week teaching placement. We hope she enjoys her time with us.

It was lovely to see so many parents in school this week for the Hedgehog parent lunch, please check the diary dates to see when you can come and experience a delicious school lunch with your child. This needs to be booked in advance.

Jennie Ratcliff
Headteacher

The Reception, Year One and Year Two children would like to say a big thank you to F@sh for the new books for the reading scheme. They are already enjoying these and we are sure the parents are too!



Battle of Badon

On the 23rd of February 2017, Year 5 and 6 took part in a recreation of the Battle of Badon; Year 5 dressed up as the attacking Anglo-Saxons and Year 6 were the defending Britons/Celts. Despite having weapons (which were not real), rules were put into place for our safety. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed this warrior experience and even Moles' class teacher - Mr. Kelly - got involved, playing the part of an ancient monk.

By Mia and Harry, Year 6.







Forest School - donation request

As part of our drive as a school to reconnect our children with nature, we have been making and putting up bird boxes and bird feeders around the school at both the Abinger and Westcott sites. We would be extremely grateful if any parents/carers could donate some feed items for these (sunflower seeds, wild bird mix, niger seed, peanuts or fat balls would all be most welcome and be most beneficial to further the children's understanding of our role in promoting and nurturing wildlife around us. Any donations should be placed in the site offices FAO Mr Wadey.

Thank you in advance.

Mr Wadey (Forest School and Outdoor Education Lead)

Headteacher: Mrs Jennie Ratcliff		
Assistant Head Teachers: Miss Bethan Lucas and Mrs Hanna Garrick		
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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.

February 2017

March 2017

World Book Day	2nd March
Parents Lunch – Rabbits	2nd March
Year 6 Residential Trip—Payment £33.75	3rd March
Year 4 Residential Trip—Deposit £164	3rd March
Parent Lunches – Squirrels	7th March
Whole School Science Day	10th March
Year 2 Pedals Course	13th March
Parents Lunch – Ladybirds	16th March
Year 6 Junior Citizen Event	16th March
Hedgehogs Class Assembly	17th March
Dragonfly Class Assembly (9.00am)	17th March
Shakespeare/ Book Week	20th – 26th March
Parents Lunch – Butterfly	21st March
Parents Evening	21st March
3.10pm – 5.30pm at Abinger	
3.40 – 6.00pm at Westcott	
Parents Evening	23rd March
5.30pm – 8.00pm at Abinger and Westcott	
Mothers/Grandmothers	
Activity Afternoon	24th 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 – 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
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

We have one remaining INSET Day for this academic year, it is on; 7th July.

The school will be closed for staff training on this day.

Latest Autism Workshops in SW London/Surrey

Below are details of the latest Autism Workshops being held in Surbiton.

FRI 03 MAR AT 19:00, SURBITON

Autistic Meltdowns & Shutdowns: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/autistic-meltdowns-and-shutdowns-the-curly-hair-project-in-surbiton-tickets-30917765870>

FRI 24 MAR AT 19:00, SURBITON

Transition to Adulthood with ASD: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/transition-to-adulthood-with-asd-the-curly-hair-project-in-surbiton-tickets-30925207127>

FRI 07 APR AT 19:00, SURBITON

Primary to Secondary Transition with ASD: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/primary-to-secondary-transition-with-asd-the-curly-hair-project-in-surbiton-tickets-30925399703>

FRI 21 APR AT 19:00, SURBITON

ASD & Sensory Processing: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/asd-and-sensory-processing-the-curly-hair-project-in-surbiton-tickets-30917818026>

FRI 28 APR AT 19:00, SURBITON

ASD & Anxiety: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/asd-and-anxiety-the-curly-hair-project-in-surbiton-tickets-32201970962>

CELEBRATE LENT!

You & your family are invited to come and celebrate the beginning of Lent and to make a Lent cross to take home with you for your journey towards Easter.




SUNDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY
4:30-6:00PM
ST JOHN'S COMMUNITY HALL WESTCOTT



Finish up with a delicious bring and share tea. There's no charge. We provide pizza, and, this month only, pancakes!



Please bring a plate of (nut free!) finger food to share, and your favourite (nut free!) pancake topping to share too.




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