

Newsletter

Inspiring the individual; creating a community



C of E Primary School

Our Christian Value for this half term is COMPASSION

Friday 22nd September 2017

Diary Dates W/C 25.09.17

Monday 25th September

Netball: Years 5 & 6

Ukulele: Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Tuesday 26th September

Choir: Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Boys football: Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Girls football: Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Wednesday 27th September

Gym: Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Thursday 28th September

Abinger Macmillan Coffee Morning

Running: Years 5 and 6

Harvest Festival: KS2 Westcott

Friday 29th September

Homework: All years

Westcott Macmillan Coffee Morning

Cross Country: Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 at The Weald School

KS2 Harvest Festival

The KS2 Harvest Festival is taking place next Thursday 28th September. Unfortunately, due to a lack of space in the church parents are unable to attend.

Any donations of non-perishable foods would be greatly appreciated and will be distributed to local charitable organisations.

Good afternoon,

We are definitely back into the swing of things at school.

Years 3 and 4 had a great day at Brooklands Museum this week. Thanks to staff and parents who accompanied the children to make this possible - see further on in the newsletter for a report and pictures.

I was delighted to hear Justine Greening's announcement last week regarding the fair funding formula which will really help Surrey schools. The previous postcode lottery of funding has seen some serious budget cuts in Surrey over the last few years whilst neighbouring boroughs have been receiving almost double the funding to us. We have also received news of a doubling of Sport Premium funding and although not millions it will make a difference. Mrs Stowell is also making great strides in raising our sports offer at Surrey Hills. She is always looking for additional support from parents to help at events, so please do contact her if you are interested.

A priority for the school at all times is safeguarding children and, as such, we would ask that parents wait **in the playground at Westcott and by the hall door at Abinger**. When a club has finished, the adult responsible will hand over children one by one to you. We will encourage all external clubs to finish on time so that parents are not kept waiting and would also ask that parents turn up on time to collect children. **If on the odd occasion you are delayed, please ring the office so that a message can be given directly to the club.**

Finally, I would like to congratulate Tom K and Lauren T, they have been appointed our Head Boy and Head Girl for the coming year. They have had a busy week leading their first school council meeting of the year and talking to me about their plans for the year. There will be an introduction from them in next week's newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Jennie Ratcliff,

Headteacher

DATE CHANGE: ABINGER MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING/MEET THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM AND OTHER PARENTS

We would like the school to be represented at the Headley Court Parade next Friday, therefore, the Abinger coffee morning will now take place on Thursday 28th September at 9am at Abinger.

Years 5 and 6 Sports Crew

Today I travelled to The Priory School to train to be a playleader; at first, it was really scary, but I soon realised that I didn't need to be nervous, and it was really fun.

First of all, everyone gathered around our three instructors and split up to do our separate activities.

The first activities were really fun, I had two favourites. One of them involved hoops. We all held hands and tried to get two hoops, one smaller, one bigger, around the circle without unlinking our hands, it was almost impossible. We had to use teamwork and good communication.

My other favourite activity was cross country running as there were hurdles and posts to make it more fun and exciting.

At the end of our time there, we had learned to be playleaders and I can't wait to teach those games at school.

Elizabeth (Moles)



Leading by example!

Congratulations to Mrs Nyman and Mrs Williams on their recent sporting successes. Mrs Nyman has completed the Serpentine swim and Mrs Williams has also completed the Serpentine swim to complete the London Classic Challenge. This is made up of the London Marathon, the Ride 100 and the Serpentine two mile swim, which is an amazing achievement.



Macmillan Coffee Mornings

Meet the Senior Leadership Team (SLT)



The Senior Leadership Team invite you to join them for Macmillan coffee mornings. The Abinger morning will take place on Thursday 28th September at 9am at the Abinger site and the Westcott morning will take place on Friday 29th September at 9.15am at Bertram Bees. All parents are welcome to come along for coffee and cake and the SLT will be available for any questions you have about life at Surrey Hills Primary School.

Brooklands Museum Trip



On Tuesday, the children in years 3 and 4 had a wonderful day out at Brooklands Museum in Weybridge. They looked at many different types and ages of transport; some highlights included sitting in a formula 1 racing car, a walk through Concorde, experiencing a luxury private plane and climbing aboard double decker buses. A forces workshop was also experienced where the children showed some great knowledge, as well as learning new facts.

"I loved going on Concorde because I learnt about how it could fly so fast." (Amelia)

"I loved the grand aeroplane – it was really posh!" (Jack)



Weekly Attendance Stats	W/C 17th July	W/C 4th Sept	W/C 11th Sept
School Target 2016/2017:	96.50%	96.50%	96.50%
Weekly Attendance:	94.59%	96.40%	97.98%
Weekly Number of Lates:	19	11	11
Attendance Year to Date:	95.66%	96.67%	97.29%

Waitrose Tokens

Thank you to everyone who supported Surrey Hills with the green tokens in Waitrose. This has raised £300 for the school which is brilliant.

Thank you

Headteacher: Mrs Jennie Ratcliff

Assistant Head Teachers: Miss Bethan Lucas and Mrs Hanna Garrick

Abinger Site	Westcott Site
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Diary Dates 2017/2018

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.

September

MacMillan Coffee Morning: meet the Senior Leadership Team and other parents

Abinger parents at 9am 28th Sep

Westcott parents at 9.15am now at Bertram 29th Sep

Bees

October

Reception Meet the Teacher - 7pm Abinger 5th Oct

KS2 Movie Night 6th Oct

INSET Day 13th Oct

Writing Workshop for KS2 Parents 17th Oct

at Westcott 7pm

Writing Workshop for Years 1 & 2 Parents 18th Oct

at Abinger 7pm

School Disco (YR, KS1 & KS2) at Westcott 20th Oct

Half Term 23rd — 27th Oct

Parents Evening 31st Oct

Abinger: 3.10pm to 5.30pm

Westcott: 3.40pm to 6pm

November

Parents Evening 2nd Nov

Abinger and Westcott: 5.30pm to 8pm

Children in Need 17th Nov

F@SH AGM at 8pm at Westcott 22nd Nov

December

Christmas Fair Extravaganza 1st Dec

Reception Christmas Nativity Abinger 13th & 14th Dec

F@SH & Volunteers thank you coffee morning 18th Dec

KS1 Nativity at Westcott – 2.30pm at Westcott 18th Dec

KS1 Nativity at Westcott – 9.30am at Westcott 19th Dec

Carols by Candlelight at Westcott 6.30pm 19th Dec

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

End of Term (early close times) 21st Dec

Abinger 1.15pm – Westcott 1.30pm

January

Start of Spring Term 4th Jan

February

Valentines Disco (YR, KS1 & KS2) at Westcott 9th Feb

Half Term 12th—16th Feb

Inset Day 19th Feb

March

Easter cake sale 29th Mar

End of Term (early close times) 29th Mar

Abinger 1.15pm – Westcott 1.30pm

Get Set for Autumn
You & your family are invited to come and celebrate the beauty of Autumn!

- Make an autumn leaf fridge magnet
- Decorate a family 'rest' cushion to remind you to slow down and rest!
- Listen to what the Bible has to say about resting
- Take some time out to rest and pray

SUNDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER
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, please bring a plate of (nut free) finger food to share.

Celebrate Tea Service
WESTCOTT

In Autumn, the trees show us how beautiful it is to let things go, & rest.

HEADLEY COURT FAREWELL PARADE
Come and celebrate Headley Court with your red, white and blue flags!

Through Dorking High Street
Friday 29 September
Starts at Pump Corner, 1.40pm

For more information call 01306 885001 or visit www.molevalley.gov.uk/farewellheadley #farewellheadley