



St. Paul's Dorking

Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

There has continued to be lots of great learning over the past few weeks. Both Ms Lanham and myself have been visiting all of the classes and have seen some fantastic work going on. Year 6 have written some very emotional letters while in character as a soldier in the trenches from World War I. They will be continuing learning about World Wars I and II through their trip to the Imperial War Museum next week. Next Tuesday, Year 4 are being transported back to Egyptian times—we are very much looking forward to seeing what they are able to discover!

It has been great to see so many children taking part in a variety of clubs through the week—both at lunchtime and after school. Earlier this week we had the KS2 Cross Country, where the children did very well. We also had a Year 6 Football tournament—please see over the page for more details about the football events.

Lots of children have also been keeping active by participating in our Walk to School initiative. It has been great to see that lots of children have been using their bikes or scooters to get to and from school and have been walking a little bit further if they have come to school by bus or car. Please can we ask you to remind the children that they need to walk their bikes or scooters down the lane and only ride on the footpaths, as at the end of the school day it is very busy with lots of people and cars.

Hopefully you have been able to book your parents' evening slot through the online portal ready for a couple of weeks' time. Thursday 17th October is 3.40 pm—6.00 pm and Tuesday 22nd October is 4.30pm—8.00 pm. We look forward to seeing you then. Second hand uniform will also be on sale both evenings.

On Friday 25th October we will be having our Harvest service at the church. If your child would like to bring something to the service to leave as a donation for Dorking Area Foodbank, they have given us a list of what they really need at the moment (see overleaf).

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Bryan and Ms Lanham



We have lots of clothing in lost property that we are unable to reunite with the correct child as the items are not named. Please make sure all of your child's school uniform is named so that if any -thing goes missing we are able to return it to the rightful owner. Many thanks.

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon Total

Raised : £330.73



A huge thank you to Mrs Cruickshank, the staff and Action House for providing the cakes and setting up the event and to all who donated.





- ◆ Tinned Tomatoes
- ◆ Pasta Sauce
- ◆ Tinned Meat / Fish
- ◆ Tinned Vegetables / Potatoes
- ◆ Instant Mash Potato
- ◆ Tinned Fruit
- ◆ Tinned Rice Pudding
- ◆ Tinned Custard
- ◆ Cereal
- ◆ Biscuits
- ◆ Jam
- ◆ Snack Bars
- ◆ UHT full-fat Milk
- ◆ Dried Milk Powder
- ◆ Small jars of Instant Coffee
- ◆ Long-life Fruit Juice
- ◆ Deodorant - male & female
- ◆ Washing Gel Capsules
- ◆ 4-roll Toilet Roll pack
- ◆ Shampoo / Shower Gel
- ◆ 10p Bags for Life

Dates for the Autumn Term (new info in **RED**)

- 15th Oct - Y4 Egyptian Day
- 17th Oct - Parents' Eve, 4.30 pm to 8 pm
- 18th Oct - Y6 to Imperial War Museum
- 21st Oct - KS2 Cross Country, Brockham, 4 pm
- 22nd Oct - Parents' Eve, 3.40 pm to 6 pm
- 25th Oct - Harvest Service, 9.30 am
- 28th Oct to 1st Nov - Half Term
- 4th Nov - Inset Day (School Closed to Pupils)
- 6th Nov - Juniper Class Assembly
- 7th Nov - Open morning (new parents) 9.30 am
- 8th Nov - Open morning (new parents) 9.30 am
- 8th Nov - Y6 Donut Sale after school
- 12th Nov - Y6 to Ashcombe production
- 13th Nov - Elm Class Assembly
- 22nd Nov - FOSPA Bottle Tombola Collection/Mufti Day
- 22nd Nov - Y5 Greek Workshop
- 22nd Nov - FOSPA Cinema Club
- 25th Nov to 6 Dec - Y6 Bikeability
- 26th Nov - Hawthorn Class Assembly
- 6th Dec - School Orchestra Christmas concert after school
- 7th Dec - St Paul's Christmas Fair
- 10th Dec - KS2 Christmas Service, 9.30 am
- 10th Dec - KS1 Christmas Service, 2 pm
- 11th Dec - YR Nativity, 9.15 am school hall
- 11th Dec - KS2 Christmas Service, 7 pm
- 17th Dec - Christmas Lunch
- 20th Dec - End of Term, 1.30 pm

Information about online safety, free counselling and a half term football camp are attached.

WALK TO SCHOOL INITIATIVE

This month we started our Walk to School initiative launched by a visit from Strider and Johnny from Living Streets in assembly. Since our launch, the children have been logging how they walk to school on to our travel tracker in class each day.

Congratulations to all the children who have been able to walk, scoot, cycle or park and stride to school. Many children have gained their first badge for September. Please keep up the good work and look out for our special signs in St Paul's Road, supporting International Walk to School Month in October.

WHY THE WALK TO SCHOOL MATTERS

HAPPIER CHILDREN—It's been proven that children who do some form of exercise, especially a walk before school, do better in class because they arrive refreshed, fit and ready to learn.

LESS CONGESTION—During morning peak traffic times, one in five cars on the road are taking children school, contributing to congestion, air pollution and carbon emissions.

CLEANER AIR—The school run alone is responsible for generating half a million tonnes of CO2 per year (which is more than some small countries!). Imagine what we could achieve if we began converting some of these rides to strides?



Year six have been learning about materials and their properties. Over the past few weeks they have completed various experiments, looking at whether materials dissolve and the reasons for this and reversible and irreversible changes.

From our Year 6 Reporter:

On Tuesday 8th October, Year 6 boys' football was held at St Martin's. We had some really tough opponents such as North Downs and the Weald school. Here are all the scores: St Paul's vs St Martin's 2-0 to us, St Johns vs St Paul's and the scores were 7-0 to us. St Paul's vs North Downs they won 4-3 but it was very close.



For the full report – please see the school website.

