



St Christopher's School

Weekly News

Friday 11th September 2015

Dear Parents

A week into this exciting term and it is as if we have never been away. The children are on top form having a go at all the entertaining challenges provided and revealing some significant talents in writing that is currently dazzling teachers in every year group.

I did enjoy seeing you all at the Parents' Information Evenings this week which all outlined your child's year ahead and gave some interesting and useful information about each year group's curriculum. These are vital for a full and happy understanding between school and home so if you were unable to attend please ensure that you make an appointment with your child's teacher to ensure that you have all the relevant information.

We have been so impressed by your prompt, early start and on behalf of all the teachers can I thank you for your industrious efforts with time keeping. It makes such a difference to the start of the day. Well done everyone.

The topics have all caught the children's imaginations and this week I found myself in Ancient Egypt during a visit to Year 2, pushing aside the Rainforest creepers in Year 1 and caught up in the excitement of walking the plank on in Reception. The quality of the work being provided also impressed me and I did enjoy being invaded by Reception pirates who politely showed me their Pirate Passports and whose independent spelling was superb.

Another highlight of the week was our Merit Assembly with the award of two certificates recording outstanding performances in the Arts. Congratulations to Caia Harris for earning a Distinction in her Associated Board Grade 1 violin exam and to Joshua Illavia for also gaining a Distinction this time in his LAMDA examination. Bravo to you both.

This week's Lunchtime Superstar is Morgan W for being so confident and friendly towards the Catering Team. Well done Morgan.

*The first success in the weekly housepoint challenge goes to **Dahl** House this week. They scored the highest number of housepoints with a splendid total of **205**.*

Annie Thackray, Headteacher

This week's Merit Awards

Freya B, James S, George F, Caia H, Arthur L, Lenny S, Henrietta L, Zahra K, Liberty R, Imogen W, Lily C and Lottie R

Philosopher of the Week

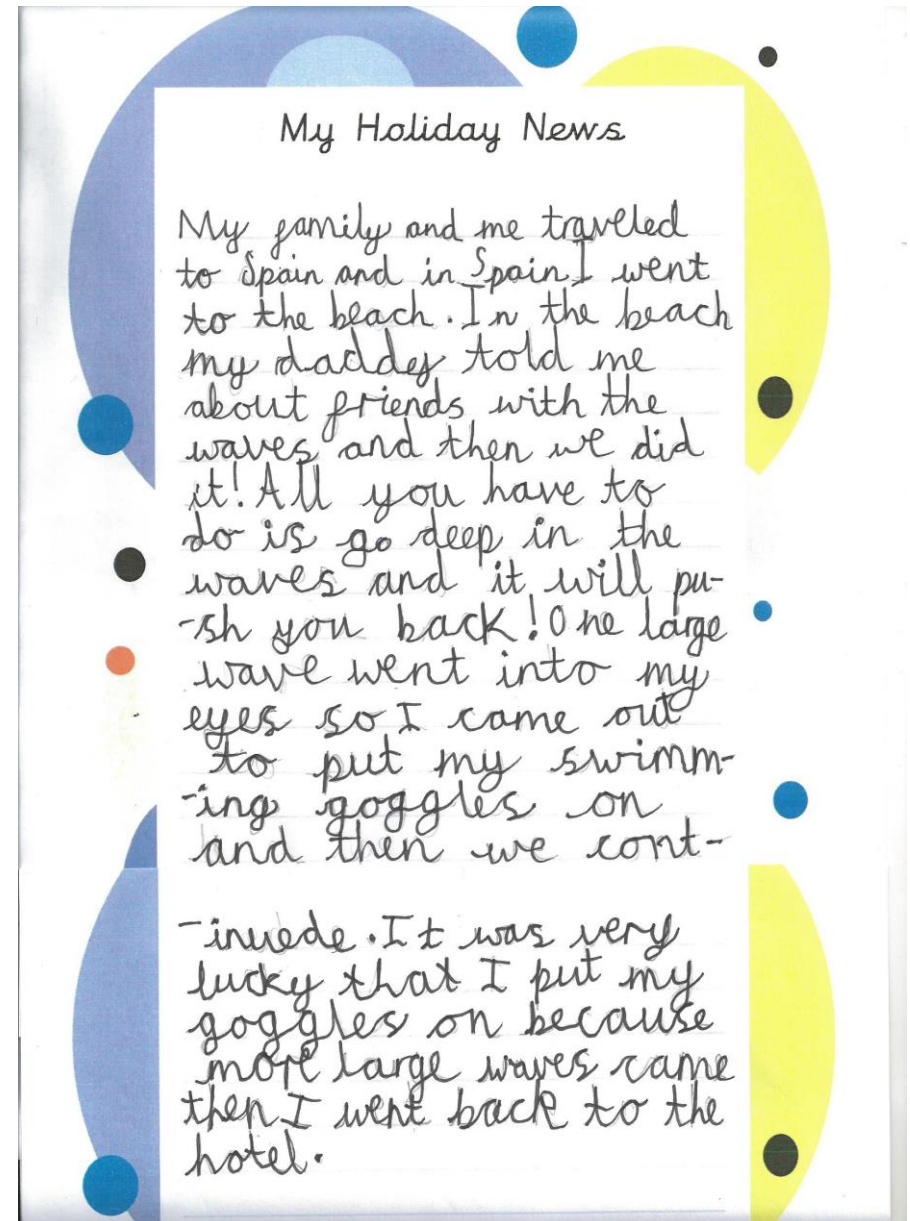
Sophia D

Thought for the Week

Does it matter if your house is big or small?

Work of the Week – Mercury Class

During his first week in Year 2 Vihaan S from Mercury Class wrote this beautiful piece of independent writing about making friends with the waves on holiday. What a lovely idea Vihaan with such a good effort with your spellings.



Foundation Stage News

This week we thought that we would give you a window on the children's first week.

Pirates have been busy in Reception.



Role Play – Making friends and learning to work together. Walking the plank making pirate dens and dressing up is great fun.



Maths

Counting treasure to match the numeral.



Literacy

Making a pirate passport with a photograph, making a list of equipment that a pirate may need and a list of treasure they may find.



The Pre-Reception and Nursery children are having great fun too!



Reading In the role play library

Maths In the role play shop



Writing my name for my picture.

Playing with our friends



DIARY DATES

CLUBS START ON MONDAY 14TH
(EXCEPT FOOTBALL)

TUESDAY 15TH – Reception Trip to Painshill Park, Cobham

TUESDAY 15TH – Pre-Nursery starts



WEDNESDAY 16TH – 2.30pm Reading Meeting for Reception Parents in Mars Classroom

THURSDAY 17TH – Nursery and Pre-Reception Parent's Information Meeting in the school hall

FRIDAY 18TH 9am – MERCURY Class Assembly
All parents and carers welcome to attend. Coffee will be served under the porch from 8.30am

FRIDAY 18th – Reception Pirate Day



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