



## St Christopher's School

Weekly News

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017

*Dear Parents*

*On Friday Neptune took to the stage and showed us just how much they had enjoyed their topic about Turrets and Tiaras by performing a brilliant assembly all about dragons and royalty. The children spoke beautifully and acted with maturity. Their song and dance were delivered professionally and everyone loved the bubble-tastic ending! Well done to all the superstars in Neptune and special thanks to Mrs Bolton for this wonderful assembly and to Mrs Degg and Mrs Giles for their splendid support.*

*On Friday we were lucky enough to have a real life police officer Mrs Kirsty Park in school to talk to Year 1 about uniforms. She brought with her plenty of police uniforms to try on and the children enjoyed her superb presentation and asked some interesting questions. Huge thanks to Mrs Park for this special treat.*

*Uniforms of a different type were brought into school on Monday by Mr Tim Richardson from Bourne Hall Museum who arrived in soldier uniform and brought actual artefacts from the First and Second World War that he shared with our fascinated children in Years 1 and 2. He warmly praised the children for their extraordinary knowledge and we thank him for consolidating this with such an excellent presentation.*

*Talking of consolidation, on Wednesday Year 2 set off to visit the Mary Rose following their work on The Tudors. They were delighted to see pictures and exhibits that surrounded this wonderful topic and they returned home full of new information about this much-loved subject.*

*On Thursday Librarians Frederick K and Esme T were chosen to hand out the books in the Library Raffle which featured books chosen by our Librarian inspired by National Non-Fiction November. This week we are travelling to outer space with our books.*

*On Thursday we were delighted to hear Lambert S, Lottie R and Iman O play I love coffee guided by their teacher Mrs Rika S. The children all enjoyed hearing and watching all 3 talented students play in rotation without missing a beat! They all richly deserved their certificates.*

*This week's Lunchtime Superstar is Emma S for her wonderful smile every day as she enjoys a much improved selection of foods. Well done Emma.*

*Congratulations to our winners this week Donaldson House. They top the board with a fabulous total of 1237. Well done!*

*Mrs Annie Thackray, Headteacher*

This Weeks Merit Awards

Isabella G, Gabriel K, James C, Sophia A, Arabella B, Lambert S, Freya C, Emma S and Satvika R.

## Events of the Week

On Wednesday Year 2 enjoyed a visit to the The Mary Rose



On Monday Years 1 and 2 were lucky enough to try on some genuine World War artefacts kindly demonstrated by Mr Tim Richardson.



## Nursery and Pre-Reception News

This week our PSED initiative takes us to 'good sharing'. The children are really doing well at being a good friend and many acts of good sharing have been seen this week. Well done to all the children. It is 'World Nursery Rhyme Week' this week and we have embraced this with our Nursery Rhyme Cottage. Many of the old favourite nursery rhymes are represented along with a large Grandfather Clock complete with a mouse and a rather scary spider who is waiting for Little Miss Muffet. One of our children has been protecting us all from the spider with some very firm words! We have been sequencing nursery rhymes, practicing our colouring and cutting skills. Number sequencing has been going on in the garden with the help of the Ten Green Bottles and we have enjoyed trying to knock them down like skittles. Using bean bags, we have been trying to knock down Humpty Dumpty's wall and using sand and duplo, we have been trying to build it up again! In the kitchen the children have been learning how to spread by making heart shaped sandwiches and then munching them all up at the snack café. Using play dough, lolly sticks, pipe cleaners and googly eyes, the children have been making Incy Wincy spiders, making sure that they have the correct number of legs. The challenge in Blue Room has been completing a number of puzzles with a friend or independently. In phonics we have been listening to 'robot talk', for example: "For my picnic I would like some ch-ee-se and some to-ma-to'. The children have had fun working out what foods these could be.



## Reception News

There has been a lot of excitement in Reception this week! Continuing our theme of 'The Jolly Postman' Mars and Neptune classes both received a very strange letter from a witch! She asked us to write and make a magic potion for her. We enjoyed mixing green slime (jelly) with worms (pink spaghetti). We then added small plastic spiders, snakes and insects and left our potions outside for the witch to collect late at night. We wrote out our lists of ingredients. Luckily the witch was a good and friendly witch! She loved our potions and as a reward left us some tasty treats - jelly snakes, magic stars, chocolate flies (raisins) and worms (strawberry laces). Yummy! In our outside area we used big bricks to have a go at marking out the route the Jolly Postman took. It took a lot of team work to do this and the children worked really hard.

Thinking about Postman Pat and how he needs to get up early to deliver the post, we thought it would be a good idea to find out about time. We are really good at O'clock times. We loved playing 'What's the time Mr Postman Pat?' outside and played it independently in break and lunch times too! Please help your child to practise O'clock times at home too. **The Foundation Stage Team**



## DATES FOR THE DIARY

THE GRAND ST CHRISTOPHER'S ART EXHIBITION –  
THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER 3.15 – 4.30PM AND 6 – 7.30PM



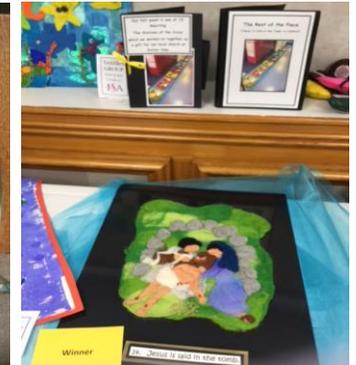
This week's Respectful Rabbits are:  
Myles H, Kai K and Thomas M



Mathletics: Congratulations to Annabel v and Arabella B who gained their Silver awards.

### SUCCESS

Last weekend in the National ISA Awards ST Christopher's School enjoyed remarkable success. At a packed black tie dinner we were announced as winners of the Website of the Year 2017! Huge congratulations to the whole School Team for making this dream come true. We then received a National First Prize for our art entry, a hand felted merino wool panel depicting the 14<sup>th</sup> station of the cross - "When Jesus is laid in the Tomb". This is one of 15 made from tiny wool strands positioned, soaped and rubbed and then over-stitched (with felting needles) by our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children. To receive superb prizes on a National level is a considerable achievement. What a wonderful occasion.



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