



St Christopher's School

Weekly News
Friday 19th October 2018

Dear Parents

Last Thursday and Friday our young superstars from Sun, Moon, Earth and Sky donned their high-vis jackets and hard hats and performed brilliantly during their two special assemblies. They told us all about builders and building and treated us to some wonderful songs and dancing with astonishing confidence. Well done children and thank you very much to Mrs London and Miss Kate Rendall assisted by Mrs Dye, Mrs Ansell, Mrs Headley and Mrs Savill for producing and directing the superb performances.

Last Friday the school was full of characters from Traditional Tales led by Year 1 following their excellent topic choice. We were delighted to see Red Riding Hoods, wolves, gingerbread men, bears, a delightful porridge pot girl and Town Mouse and even Jack climbing through the clouds complete with beanstalk to name but a few. Well done parents! You are simply the best.

On Tuesday we enjoyed seeing you at our Parent's Forum and hope that you found it valuable. Special thanks to Elizabeth Hibbert and Yvonne Filler for their excellent PTA presentation that followed and thank you to the volunteers wishing to get involved. The PTA is such a happy and inclusive group.

On Thursday we headed off to the beautiful setting of St Martin's Church to rehearse our annual Harvest Festival and again on Friday for the real thing with this year's theme all about colour. Year 2 led magnificently and the altar looked splendid decorated with your generous contributions and these have been taken this year to Epsom Food Bank to be distributed to families in crisis. Epsom Food Bank now run a counselling service to help families back on to their feet and the retiring collection will support this worthwhile venture.

Thank you all for your kind support and especially to those who also gave their time to help walk down to the church too.

This week's Lunchtime Superstar is Max T for making such an improvement in the food that he now requests and enjoys. Well done Max!

What an exciting half term we have all enjoyed. Congratulations to all the children for making such a wonderful start to the term. The Harvest Festival was a splendid way to showcase the considerable talent that we have in every single year group.

*Bravo to **Kemp House** for gaining top spot on the leader board with a fabulous total of **702** Housepoints. Mrs Annie Thackray Headteacher*

This Week's Merit Awards

Felicity V, Beatrix B, Lily W, Darcy W, Annie S, Thomas M, Lambert S, Caitriona O, Edison O, Christopher B, Medina O and Sophie A.

Philosopher of the Week

Elodie B

Thought for the Week

Is it ever good to trust people you don't know?

Event of the Week - Harvest Festival



Nursery and Pre-Reception News

The countdown to our Harvest Festival began this week. We have been gratefully receiving your contributions of desserts to add to the ever growing food store which will be sent to



Epsom Food Bank after our festival. The children have been making vegetable soup in the



kitchen this week, learning the skills of cutting and using a knife safely. The children also used the vegetables to make a comedy nose and moustache! Ask the children what vegetables were in their tasty soup. It was challenge week as well this week. For the 'question of the week' we sent out via Tapestry we gave you heads-up on the different challenges we would be setting the children. It has been very successful and the children have entered into the different activities with enthusiasm. We will be sending their challenge week certificates home with them as soon as we have given all the correct stamps. Thursday and Friday arrived and all that practicing really paid off as Nursery and Pre-Reception shone brightly in the church. Well done children!

Reception The children in Reception have been learning about harvest this week, which



we celebrated with our wonderful Harvest Festival at the church. We are extremely proud of all the children, as they have worked hard to learn the words to their class poems and the harvest songs. Our focus this week has been the story 'The Little Red Hen', the children have written wonderful sentences about what they remember from the story. Many children wrote about the hen's friends saying 'Not I' and refusing to help the hen, they thought that they should have



helped and then they could have enjoyed the bread together at the end. The reception children worked well together to make some of their own hedgehog bread, which I am sure you tasted and



would agree was delicious! After making our own bread, we began to think about different types of bread and where it comes from. We had an afternoon tasting some bread from around the world, which included brioche, ciabatta, naan and a farmhouse loaf. We identified on the world map where they come from too. The children all enjoyed the bread, with the naan and the brioche being a firm favourite. **The Foundation Team**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

HALF TERM – MONDAY 22ND OCTOBER TO FRIDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

**POPPIES FOR SALE IN SCHOOL
AFTER HALF TERM**



**Monday 5th November – Y2 to open Bourne Hall's Garden of Remembrance.
Tuesday 6th November 8.30 – 8.55am – Sharing Our Learning - All Reception,
Year 1 and Year 2 parents welcome.**

Wednesday 7th November – Individual Pupil Portraits being taken.

**Wednesday 7th November - Parent/Teacher Appointments (all years) – External
and Art clubs only running.**

**Thursday 8th November – Parent/Teacher Appointments (all years) – External
clubs only running.**

**Friday 9th November 9am – JUPITER Class Assembly – All Jupiter parents
welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served under the porch from 8.30am.**



ORGANISED OCTOPUSES

**This week's Organised Octopuses are: Erin O,
Ebba R and Maya L.**

PLAYGROUND PANTHERS

This week's playground panther is Sophie B.



**Mathletics: Congratulations go to:
Scarlett S, Arabella M, James C, Baxter M and
Nicholas Z for achieving their Bronze awards. Also
congratulations to Joshua C and Lucy A
for gaining Silver.**

**Does anyone know of a lovely person who may
like to join our happy team of Lunchtime
Supervisors helping in the playground from
12.10pm till 1.40pm.**

**Please contact the office for information about
wages etc. Many thanks**

