



St Christopher's School

Weekly News

Friday 25th September 2015

Dear Parents

On Friday we all enjoyed Mercury's excellent Class Assembly. The talented Year 2 children confidently narrated their assembly on the history of St Christopher's and educated while they entertained. Sophie and Daisy made a splendid job of acting as Miss Critchell Moody and Miss Angus Paterson who would be proud to see the school today still uphold the same values. The children evidently enjoyed themselves as they spoke with confidence and authority and they thoroughly deserved their loud applause. Well done children and many thanks to Mrs Garrod for this splendid assembly.

Our Year 2 monitors have been working extremely hard and again enjoyment has been in evidence particularly amongst our lucky Lunch Monitors who have been an invaluable part of Mrs Taylor's Team. This year they are:

Oliver Q, Milo H, Madison H, Vihaan S, Oscar R, Lexi M, Savannah G, Abigail M, Alex H, Ned S, Aayushi K, Thomas M and Max G.

This team is marshalled this year by a Lunch Monitor Organiser and we are already delighted with **George F's** excellent organisational skills.

We have an eager team of Librarians this year and these are:

Caia H, James S, Noah T, Abby S and Rocco S.

Ahead of next week's class representative vote we have chosen a leader for the School Council who we think will lead them effectively: **Rowan W** and congratulations too to our new Music Monitors **Sophia Ds** and **Arlo R** who will take a leading part in the orchestra and assist Mrs Mulhern.

Congratulations to of these monitors and thank you for the time that you will give up to give service to the school which reflects our original motto: Render Service.

This week's Lunchtime Superstar is **Thomas P** for an enthusiastic thumbs up to Mrs Stubbs and her team. What a superstar.

Congratulations to **Morpurgo** House for winning this week's housepoint challenge. They remain at the top of the leader board with an excellent **447** housepoints.

Annie Thackray, Headteacher

This week's Merit Awards

Rory P, Athena D, Annabel H, Federick K, Noah B, Savannah G, Joshua I, Ned S, Noah T, Nathaniel J, Daisy H, Jago G and Dara O.

Philosopher of the Week

Arlo R

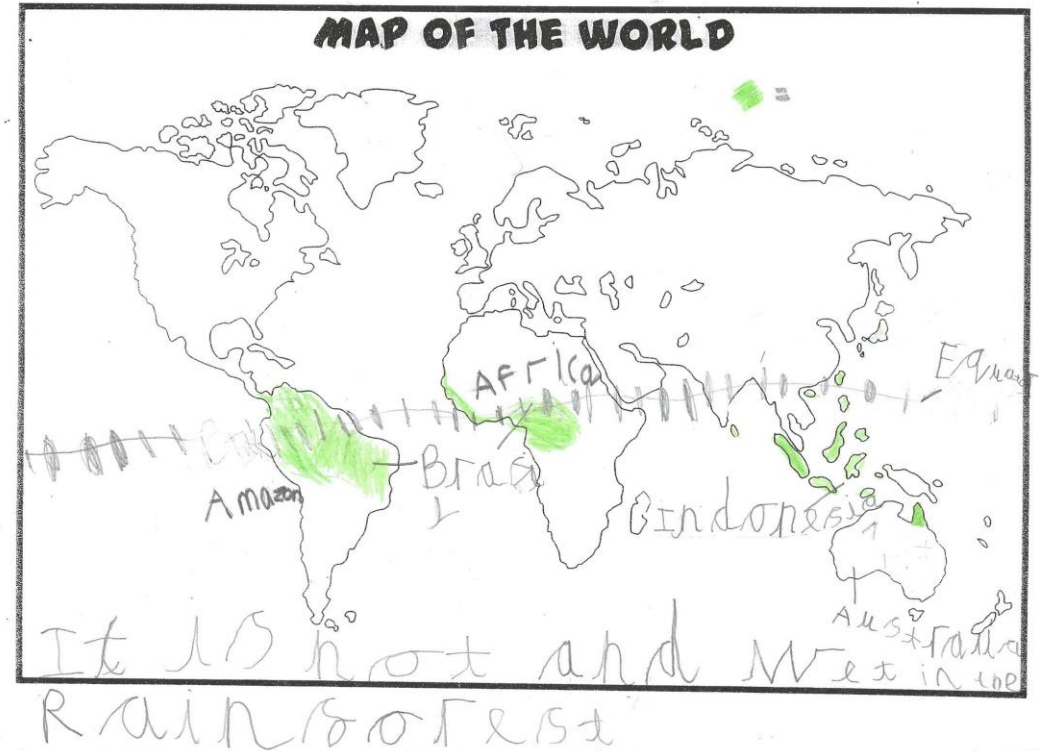
Thought for the Week

Is it important to learn?

Work of the Week

Jupiter Class

In Year 1, we have a really exciting topic about the Rainforest. This week we have been learning about where the Rainforests are in the world. Lauren H in Jupiter class used an atlas to help her locate which countries have Rainforests. She even found and labelled the Equator.



Foundation Stage News

The delicious aroma of onions and other vegetables has been making us all hungry in the Nursery as the children prepare Falafels. We are trying international cooking and foods to celebrate Eid-al Adha. Last week we made honey cakes to celebrate Rosh Hashannah. The children are learning about lots of ingredients and cooking techniques each week and we always enjoy the washing up.

The Nursery children are learning to be very independent; they have all been practising putting on their rain gear and boots in this very changeable weather. Well done children.

I hope your child has been helping with the DIY at home. They are very industrious at the woodwork bench with hammers and nails it can be hard work and requires lots of 'fine motor' skills and dexterity as well as perseverance. Top of the list of course is learning all health and safety rules too and we have been impressed with the way our sensible children have listened with such care.



The Reception children are quickly learning to use the phonic sounds that they know to help them write their news on Mondays. We love reading all about their exciting home adventures. How grown up!

Patterns, patterns everywhere! The children have been making repeating patterns using shapes, toy animals and cars. They are very cleverly working together in a group getting into a line – boy, girl, boy, girl. Has your child noticed any repeating patterns at home, like wallpaper or patterns on socks? In order to be strong the pirates have to be healthy, it is great fun making (and eating) a fruit kebab. Of course the fruit was put on the kebab in a 2 fruit alternating sequence which were carefully planned and designed on paper first.

When we write we must think of the sequence of events we are going to record. Sequences and patterns are used all the time in lots of different ways in literacy and maths and we have great fun being pattern spotters! The pirates had captured and hidden the teddies but the children were too clever- they followed the instructions and rescued them. Later the children re-capped and talked through the sequence of instructions that they had followed. We all enjoyed this exciting adventure.

The Foundation Team

DIARY DATES

Friday 2nd October

9am NEPTUNE Class Assembly

All parents and carers welcome to attend. Coffee will be served under the porch from 8.30am

FRIDAY 9th OCTOBER 9.15 – 11 am

Open Morning for Prospective Parents

Please let your friends and neighbours know

REMINDER: Payments for fee-paying after-school clubs are now overdue.



**TUESDAY 6th OCTOBER at 10am: HARVEST FESTIVAL
at St Martin's Church, Epsom**

All parents and carers are welcome to attend

Please see separate letter for full details.

PTA DISCOS

Friday 16th October

Nursery, Pre-Reception and Reception

– 3.30 – 4.15pm

Years 1 and 2 - 4.30 – 5.30pm

Please return ticket requests by

Friday 9th October to the PTA box under the porch



Mathletics

**Congratulations for Bronze Awards to:
Jack C, Matthew S, Zac P, Lauren H, Zahra K,
William W, Zachary C, Joshua I, Issy S and
Daisy G.**



PLEASE NOTE: If you are delayed getting to school because of traffic you do not need to ring the school to inform us. However, when you arrive after 8.30 please bring your child to the school office to sign in as the registers will have been taken.

Many thanks.