



St Christopher's School

Weekly News
Friday 3rd March 2017

Dear Parents

On Friday Mercury Class delivered a polished assembly with a focus on history all about The Titanic. This assembly had everything; explanations of the tiered class passenger system (courtesy of Cleese and Barker), some super 'on deck' acting and even the orchestra playing as the ship went down. Well done to all the children in Mercury Class for a lesson we won't forget and thank you to Mrs Garrod for this excellent assembly.

On Tuesday we enjoyed our annual Great Pancake Relay Race with pancake flipping and a super team spirit demonstrated by the whole school! The sun shone as the children raced up and down cheered on by their respective Houses. Congratulations to Kemp House for winning the Upper School race and to Dahl for their Nursery and Pre-Reception victory. Photos on page 2.

On Wednesday we welcomed Reverend Christopher Hancock into school on Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. He arrived complete with live locusts to present an entertaining, interactive assembly and at the end Mrs Degg and some representatives presented him with our felt art project; The Stations of the Cross which will be displayed in St Martin's Church during the next few weeks. Do pop in and see this magnificent and colourful montage.

On Thursday we all celebrated World Book Day with our Dazzling Dahl event. As usual you, the parents excelled with the wonderful array of ingenious costumes. Following a drink of fizzy water the children bobbed around on the bouncy castle and followed this with a visit through the clouds of bubbles to Willy Wonka's chocolate fountain. These were just a few of the wonderful activities and tasks on offer and all were truly inspirational. We all thank Mrs Louisa Taperell for organising this delightful day. Do send back and share your child's evaluation booklet.

The theme of the week in the Library Raffle was 'illustrations by Quentin Blake' in homage to our Dahl Day. Well done to Librarians Elliot M and Matthew S for cleverly assisting with the ticket draw.

This week's Lunchtime Superstar is Noah B for such polite and confident dining. Well done Noah.

*Congratulations to all the children in **Kemp** House for topping the board brilliantly this week with a splendid total of **1980** Housepoints.*

Mrs Annie Thackray, Headteacher

DAZZLING DAHL DREAM JAR WINNERS

Benji S, Frederick K, Nathan J, Lottie R, Zoe M, Arabella B, Medina O and Emma S.

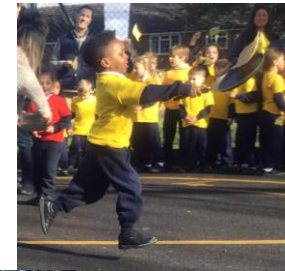
Philosopher of the Week

Oliver M

Thought for the Week

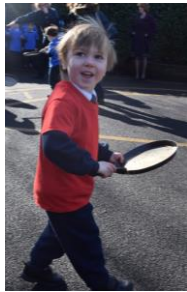
What do people learn from myths?

Event of the Week The Great House Pancake Relay



Nursery and Pre-Reception News

Our book this week is Supertato which begins our two week theme on superheroes. The children (and staff) have been inspired by the story of a superhero potato who saves all the vegetables from an evil pea! In the Green Room, the children have been investigating real peas stuck in jelly. I think that some of the children sampled a little, but at least they are eating their vegetables! We have been using our phonic sounds to label a superhero and we have made our own supertato characters using real potatoes. The pancake relay was a great success with all the children taking part, tossing and flipping their pancakes like professionals, a great event indeed! The children planted daffodil bulbs in the autumn, in preparation for Mother's Day, but due to the mild winter, they have already bloomed so you will be receiving a lovely flower along with a gift tag from your child. Happy Mother's Day! Roald Dahl day was a huge success and I thank you very much for the effort you put into the costumes. We had a delightful day with bouncy castle fun, a chocolate fountain and Dahl inspired activities. The sound of the week is 'm'.



Reception News Keeping with our

theme of ducks the children have been recording subtraction calculations to keep a track of how many ducklings there are, as some of them kept swimming away from mummy duck. We are learning lots of ways to do subtraction calculations and that it is important to remember where to put the signs -, + and = when writing a number sentence. Well done children! The children have had some noisy fun saying and writing onomatopoeic words for the noises of the animals on the farm. The children made some lovely pictures to illustrate their noisy words too. While reading 'Farmer Duck' we asked the children "What do lazy people do? The children thought people who don't tidy up or, say they 'want the toilet' when there is work to be done, are lazy. So we are watching each other to make sure we all help with the work. The children took part in the Great Pancake Relay and made us all proud on Tuesday and our Dazzling Dahl day was a huge success, please ask your child all about it. **The Foundation Stage Team**

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday 7th March – Reception visit to Bocketts Farm.

Thursday 9th March 11.30am – Music Festival at St Martin's Church – All Year 2 parents welcome to attend.

SHOWCASE MORNING FOR PARENTS ON SATURDAY 18TH MARCH 10.30 – 12.00 –

All parents welcome to come and share their children's work and enjoy the events performed by our Year 2 children.

2017 DAZZLING DAHL FANCY DRESS WINNERS



Freya P, Joe C, Henry M, Jasmine C, Fenton F, James W, James C, Arabella M, Sam S, Mathias P, Heidi P and Remi O who all won their very own Wonka Bar!



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