Dear Parents

To herald Brass Week we were lucky enough to have former pupil Alexander Bohn play the trombone in a splendid assembly where he patiently took the trombone apart and demonstrated the sound and reason for the constituent parts. His excellent performance together with his assured question and answer session was a joy to behold and we were both enchanted and educated.

Children have looked at, tried and enjoyed a trumpet and a French horn so we are all looking forward to what next year orchestra will feature!

On Monday we celebrated the extensive musical talent that we are lucky enough to have enjoyed every day for the past year. Your children played and sung with confidence and maturity beyond their years. Well done to all the performers.

On Monday night we were delighted to have organised An Evening with Sue Palmer held at Epsom College where we all enjoyed canapes and wine in the evening sun before a fascinating talk about issues concerning children in the modern world. Having heard Sue speak last year and supported by the Governors, we set about booking her flight down from Scotland and found an evening where we could invite some neighbouring schools too to enjoy her insightful comments and observations.

Thank you all for coming.

On Tuesday we all ‘moved up’ and spent the day in our new classrooms ready for September. What sensible children you have. They were exemplary in their behaviour and fully enthused ready for next year. Well done children.

On Wednesday we welcomed Reverend Christopher Hancock in to present an assembly entitled ‘To be a Pilgrim’. Using delightful props and an interactive discussion about what we need on a journey or pilgrimage, Reverend Hancock enjoyed his conversations with the children and we thank him very much for his enlightening assembly.

On Wednesday Mrs Garrod and 4 representatives from Year 2 went to the Ebbisham Centre to see the interactive community art exhibition that they had participated in. This is situated by the Library and is well worth a visit. We are very proud to be part of this community initiative. It is open this week.

This week’s Lunchtime Superstar is Annabelle H for a year of politeness and model manners. What a super accolade Annabelle. Bravo!

Congratulations to Ahlberg their win in the penultimate week of term with a great total this week of 1289 Housepoints. Mrs Annie Thackray, Headteacher

Multiplication Magicians
Matthew S Gold Award
Zac P Gold Award
Beji S Gold Award
Athena D Gold Award
Lauren M Silver Award
Rory B Silver Award
Alexander M Bronze Award

Event of the Week
Music Assembly
**EYFS News**

Never a dull moment! Music Assembly, Moving Up Morning, Transition Teas, Foundation Rotation to Italy, topped off with Sports Day on Friday. It was a real treat on Monday to hear all the wonderful musicians at St Christopher’s. We all sat beautifully to listen to the violins, piano, cello, guitar and recorders, I could see feet tapping and heads bobbing all over the hall. Our Pre-Reception children spent time in their new Reception classes on Tuesday and Reception went up the stairs to meet their new Year One teachers. They all looked very grown up and we were very proud about how they presented themselves. Our Nursery children were invited to our transition tea with their parents to meet their new Key Workers - such an exciting week!

On Wednesday the children all arrived in their holiday clothes to board a flight to Italy. They had their own passports and boarding passes. After listening to the inflight safety video and a short flight they safely landed in Italy. The children moved from fun activity to fun activity with each area giving the children a taste of Italian life and culture. There was Italian jewellery making, pasta collages, pizza making, Italian café and food tasting, soggy spaghetti play and pizza dough fun. Italian flag mosaic, beach area and ice-cream parlour, Italian landmark construction and lastly Italian School with our very own Mrs Reid where the children learnt some key Italian vocabulary. Then it was back to the airport to board the St Christopher’s Airways flight home. The children were treated to an inflight meal of pizza and juice before landing back at school.

We are looking forward to Sports Day this week. More about this exciting day next week.

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

**Saturday 8th July – PTA Summer Fair**
1 - 3pm
We look forward to welcoming you all to this popular annual event organised by our wonderful PTA

**Monday 10th July 9.30am – Reserve Sports Day**

**Monday 10th July 7pm – Year 1 to Year 2 Transition Meeting for parents**

**Tuesday 11th July – ST CHRISTOPHER’S DAY**
- MUFTI TO BE WORN BY ALL CHILDREN

**Wednesday 12th July 11am – Leavers’ Assembly**
- All Year 2 parents welcome to attend

**WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY – TERM ENDS AT MIDDAY**

**OWLS AND LARKS BOOKING FORMS ARE FOR NEXT TERM ARE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE, FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR UNDER THE BACK PORCH**

**SUMMER TERM IS ‘MUSIC TERM’**

**Brass Week**
We have enjoyed looking at some different brass instruments this week. Can your child name the different parts of a brass instrument? They may be able to draw a picture and label it. You can support your child’s learning at home by listening to Haydn’s trumpet concerto in E flat 3rd movement or can they spot the horns in ‘Peter and the Wolf’?

This week’s Manners Moles:
We are focussing on good manners this term. As well as remembering to say please and thank you we are particularly looking for children who behave courteously and remember to let an adult through first when they are travelling around the school. This week’s magnificent Moles are: Jasmine C and Niamh H.

**Mathletics**
Congratulations to: Rory P and Iman O for achieving Gold awards.