



St Christopher's School

Weekly News

Friday 16th September 2016

Dear Parents

The sun has shone nearly as brightly as our children this week for every day we have seen industrious children behaving beautifully and bringing happiness everywhere. We were delighted to see so many children thinking of others and earning themselves a Happiness Hamster as detailed on page 4.

On Tuesday Roald Dahl would have been 100 years old and we celebrated this special day in assembly with a wealth of his wonderful books. We also looked at Dahl's life and marvelled at his career as an RAF pilot which led to interesting discussions about our own dreams and hopes for the future. One young man wanted to be an inventor and invent 'invisible chocolate that you could eat in school'. I think Roald Dahl would have strongly approved of this ambition!

On Tuesday it was also a case of 'Water, Water Everywhere' as we saw temperatures soar to record levels. As you will see from the photos on the website we responded with water tanks and hose sprinklers accompanied by a table full of cups of water that the children were obliged to come and drink to help them cool down in between enjoying the water fun.

On Thursday Year 1 set off to Chessington World of Adventures and Aquarium to complement their study of 'All creatures great and small'. They enjoyed two educational talks about the habitat and classification of animals followed by a tour to see these magnificent beasts first hand. Lucky children.

On Thursday Reception children enjoyed a talk about Eid from Ryaan's mother who showed them a special prayer mat and helped them to understand this important festival. Special thanks to Mrs M.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at this week's Information Evenings. Each Year Group produced informative slides and enjoyed meeting their new families. Thank you for giving up your evening to come.

Thank you too to all those who supported our wonderful PTA by attending the Autumn Coffee morning in the hall on Thursday. We know how lucky we are to have such supportive and inclusive families here at St Christopher's.

Congratulations to this term's first Lunchtime Superstar. James C in Pre-Reception has dazzled the Lunch Team by politely asking for seconds every single day this week! Well done James.

The first Housepoint challenge of the year has been won this week by our new **Kemp House** with a splendid total of **136** Housepoints. Well done **Kemp House!**

Annie Thackray, Headteacher

This Week's Merit Awards

Thomas M, Freya C, Millar W, Dylan C, Louis G,
Eden H, Oliver M, Benji S, Noah B, Iman O,
John D and Isla T.

.Work of the Week

Year 2 have kindly started our Work of the Week and you will see from this impressive example just what an able Year 2 we have. This week it is the turn of Mercury class. Annabel H wrote this account on her very first day back beautifully describing her holiday in Minorca. Well done Annabel.

Sept 7th

My holiday

I went to Minorca for ten days. On the first day of my Minorca holiday I was very excited when we finally got there we unpacked our clothes. We got dressed into our swimming costumes and went swimming. It was very fun. I did lots of my pony and dives in the water. After that we had lunch. We went to the cafe nearby. My lunch was smoked salmon bismuit with salad. For pudding it was a chocolate bismuit. Then we went back into our hotel room. I looked over our balcony. What a view! There were trees and the swimming pool and even some shops and restaurants. After that we got dressed to go out for dinner. All dressed up we went to a restaurant called restaurant Mignoni. I had lasagne for pudding it was ice cream in sauce. The flavour was mild choc chip. Then we paid the bill. We went to the disco for children. We did the disco then watched the show. The show was called Grease. It was very good. Then we went back to our hotel room. We did our teeth.

Some excellent work Annabel - I love all the details in your descriptions. Well done

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Nursery and Pre-Reception News

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Welcome back all the children in Nursery and Pre-Reception and what a very hot week it has been! We are very proud of all the children and how they have settled. I can't believe that some of them are not yet 3! We are looking at Nursery Rhymes this term and have been building walls for Humpty Dumpty and painting our own bricks.



We have been enjoying our garden area—bikes, water, sand and animals. We have had tea parties and made a princess carriage from blocks, to name but a few of the exciting activities.



Reception News

Welcome back to all the Reception children who all are looking very smart in their grown-up uniform. We have already been working and playing hard and it is only week 2!

We have kick started our topic 'Abracadabra' by reading the story 'The Night of the Magical Flight.' We have been making potions and creating our own wonderful magical carpets.

We have enjoyed the outdoors with wet water play, bikes and balancing.



Tuesday 20th September – Pre-Nursery starts

Wednesday 21st – Reception Trip to Painshill

Wednesday 21st September – 7 pm Nursery and Pre-Reception Parents' Information Meeting in the school hall

Friday 23rd September – Jeans for Genes Day – All children to wear jeans please and donate £1 towards this worthy cause.

Friday 23rd September – 9am VENUS Class Assembly
(All parents welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served under the porch from 8.30am)

TUESDAY 11TH OCTOBER – 8.35am PARENT FORUM IN THE SCHOOL HALL.
PLEASE SUBMIT ANY WORRIES OR CONCERNS YOU MAY HAVE TO GOVERNOR MR NIGEL FIELD AT nfield@winkworth.co.uk BY 30TH SEPTEMBER

ADVANCED NOTICE – PTA SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALES ON
Wednesday 12th October 11.45am – 12.15pm and 2.45 – 3.45 pm
In the Outdoor Classroom

This week's Happiness Hamsters



This award is for children who bring great happiness to others and we have been delighted with the displays of kindness and warmth extended to others by our delightful young pupils:

Elodie B, George T, Rory P, Thomas M, Sophie M, Tommy C and Sam S.



Please remember that you can now follow us on Twitter at **StChrisEpsom** for information and weekly highlights