



St Christopher's School

Weekly News
Friday 5th July 2019

Dear Parents

At St Christopher's we always say that there is no such thing as a dull day but this week has been particularly spectacular.

On Monday we held our Summer Concert for our talented young musicians and we were all dazzled by the array of talent on offer. We heard from violins, the Orchestra, Handbells Club, Boomwhacker Club, piano solos, a full drum kit performance, an electric guitar and even a harp! The youngest performers were 5 and the oldest just 7. What a lot of success to celebrate well done children.

On Tuesday it was our special charity House Day all about dogs! The children enjoyed their Design and Technology challenge and together made some excellent dogs to represent their House. Congratulations to Kemp House who won first place pictured on p 4. This was judged by Barry H, a representative from St Christopher's Hospice who also judged the Fun Dog Show and received an enormous cheque for £5,357.05 on behalf of the Hospice. The Dog Show was a tremendous success. Thank you to all our furry competitors who all feature on p 2 this week. Special thanks to Mrs Russell for organising this event and masterminding our charity choice and work.

On Wednesday Year 2 set off to Ewell Court to sing at a special event organised to celebrate the 80th birthday of Citizens Advice in Epsom and Ewell. The children sang as elderly guests arrived and earnt a well-deserved round of applause as well as being personally thanked by the Mayor John Beckett.

On Wednesday evening we held our special 'Evening with Dr Aric Sigman' event. Thank you to all who came. It was fascinating.

On Friday it was all about Sport! Nursery held their Sports Day in the morning with a colourful theme all about animals. In the late afternoon it was the turn of the Upper School and we thank Mrs Pryor for such a well organised event.

Special congratulations to our Times Tables Champions this week: Myles H has won his Bronze Star and Theo R and Annie S have won their Silver Star Awards. We also say a huge well done to Jessica H, Zoe M and Satvika R for earning their Gold Star Awards for multiplication magic.

Zoe M has a double triumph to celebrate this week as she has been nominated as this week's Lunchtime Superstar for quite simply being a pleasure to serve all year! Well done Zoe.

On Saturday the PTA will host our annual Ball and we are all very excited to see you all there. Thank you for supporting this wonderful event.

*Bravo to **Dahl** for ending the week on the top of the leader board with **1896** Housepoints on this penultimate week of Housepoint collection.*

Annie Thackray Headteacher

This week's Merit Awards

Clara H, Artie B, Zoe M, Jisoo P, James C, Alexander L, Luke M, Millar W, Toby C, Benjamin C and Annie R.

Event of the Week St Christopher's Fun Dog Show



Foundation Stage News

NURSERY AND PRE-RECEPTION

Never a dull week at St Christopher's with days full of fun and excitement. Monday brought the Summer Concert, where children were treated to a magnificent variety of talented musicians all inspiring our youngest children to pick up an instrument and play. We were treated to violins, pianos, drums, electric guitars, boomwhackers and even a harp! Well done to all the children who took part. On Tuesday we celebrated our summer term 'House Day'. It started with the whole school meeting together in the hall in a blaze of colour to hear about the House Challenge. The children went to join their fellow housemates and began to make an amazing sculpture. In the afternoon St Christopher's had our very first Dog Show. I can't think of a better way to spend our time. We cheered all the waggy tailed entrants and marvelled at their clever tricks. Well done to Admiral McGee for receiving 'Best in Show'. Friday brought us our Sports Day - Chariots of Fire played us on to the field where all the children showed off their physical abilities and good sportsmanship, well done to all!

RECEPTION - This week has been so much fun in Reception. We started our week by writing our own Gingerbread Man stories! The children thoroughly enjoyed writing their amazing stories independently, some of the stories were 5 pages long! We had lots of adjectives being used including a 'shiny, black nose' and 'an old grandpa'; the children also used some great story language in their writing such as 'the Gingerbread Man was surprised' and 'he thought to himself how can I cross the stream?' We were very busy on Tuesday for House Day; the children worked extremely well with their friends from all year groups to build and create some wonderful dogs and accessories. The children loved the Dog Show, and this inspired them

to design and build their own show in the classroom. Mars and Neptune have been growing cress seeds for the last few weeks; they were finally ready to eat! On Wednesday the children made their own sandwiches; spreading the butter, cutting the cress and choosing a topping. We had a Reception picnic for our maths learning and cut out sandwiches into halves and quarters. Wow what an amazing week! **The Foundation Team**



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 8th July - Reserve Sports Day.

Monday 8th July 11 - 11.30am - Transition Tea for Nursery to Pre-Reception Parents.

Monday 8th July 7pm - Reception to Year 1 Transition meeting for parents.

Tuesday 9th July - Moving Up Morning.

Tuesday 9th July 2.45pm - Transition Tea for Pre-Reception to Reception parents.

Tuesday 9th July 7pm - Year 1 to Year 2 Transition meeting for parents.

Wednesday 10th July - St Christopher's Day - *All children to wear mufti.*

Friday 12th July 11am - Leavers' Assembly - *All Year 2 parents welcome.*

FRIDAY 12TH JULY TERM ENDS

10.45AM FOR NURSERY & PRE-RECEPTION. 12 MIDDAY FOR REST OF SCHOOL.



PLAYGROUND PANTHERS

This week's playground panthers:

**Annie S, Annie R, Sophia A
and Freya C.**

LEADING LAMAS: There are various ways to earn this special award by being a leading example in behaviour, effort and achievement. These super stars earned a Llama this week. Ask your child to tell you why they earned their Leading Llama Award:

Maxwell D , Fraser W, Darcy W, Lily W and Joseph Gough.



**Congratulations to Fenton F, Millar W,
Luke M and Thomas M on achieving their
Gold Awards.**



Kemp House winning 50 Housepoints for the D&T challenge