



St Christopher's School

Weekly News

Friday 9th July 2021

Dear Parents

The final day of the academic year has arrived and we are all still standing. Special congratulations and thanks to you all for your patience, your flexibility and your understanding regarding all changes generated by the national pandemic. As I write, I am reading encouraging news about the dispersal of 'Bubbles' or 'Pods' and the welcome news that large groups of perfectly healthy children will not need to isolate at home for periods of time due to being in the vicinity of another who has received a positive test. We can only hope that the news continues to bring the return to normality that we have all craved and very much missed. I will be writing to you at the end of August hopefully to confirm our intention which is to return to the normal school day with entry via the back gate.

At school we are also delighted to have been able to manage the severe restrictions but still allow our exiting parents at the top of the school to come in and celebrate all the wonderful achievements of Year 2. The Play followed by Sports Day marked the return and final opportunity for these parents and if the weather is kind today they will also be enjoying the Leavers Assembly. I know you will join me in wishing every happiness and success to all our leavers as they head off to begin their new chapter in education.

I also want to sincerely thank and pay tribute to the enormous amount of work and effort given by the outgoing Chair of our PTA Vanessa Rapier. She leaves the PTA in the excellent hands of new Chair Fiona Langley and I know the whole PTA wanted me to thank Vanessa with love from us all for her wonderful contribution.

Our annual St Christopher's Day became Pirate Day this year and a sea of colour and excitement was generated by this wonderful event. M & M Theatre Productions (booked and cancelled last year) managed to present an excellent version of Treasure Island and the children enjoyed a carousel of opportunities including, craft, dancing, origami, jewellery making, walking the plank, tug of war (for staff too!) ice cream eating, relay running and all things in between! What a magical day. Do enjoy the photos on page 2.

On Thursday it was time to say 'St Christopher's Got Talent' as our amazing Year 2s presented their talent show. Fabulous musical performances, dance routines, conjurers, stand-up comedians to name but a few entertained the school to riotous applause. Please see some photos on p 3.

Our able mathematicians went right to the wire this week with an excellent crop of Silver and Gold Awards. Well done to Gabriella L-T for achieving her Silver Star and to Benjamin C and Darcy W for securing their Gold Stars and an extra well done to the following children who worked so hard that they achieved the double this week; earning a Silver and also achieving Gold in the same week: Bravo to Megan R, Conall R, Maximo Y and Rumi W!

On Thursday our Assembly was full of celebration. The Year Group with the tallest sunflower were Year 2 with one plant measuring 1m 1cm. The winners of the Golden Boot Award for the most improved number of children taking the greener option when travelling to school was Venus- well done Venus Parents! The winner of the Manners Mole who won a gorgeous soft toy mole was Beatrix B with an outstanding number of Manners Mole cards. Well done Beatrix. The final Housepoint totals revealed a win for [Donaldson House](#) with a most impressive [1599](#) Housepoints!

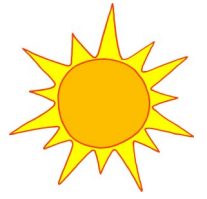
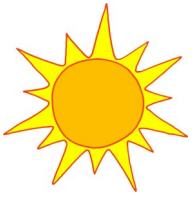
So now it is time for our summer break and I hope that you will be able to enjoy some rest and relaxation. On behalf of the Staff, may I thank you all for your extraordinary generosity with such lovely gifts and cards with beautiful and heartfelt messages. We appreciate them all. Have a wonderful summer and we all look forward to seeing you safely back in September.

Annie Thackray Headteacher

St Christopher's Day



The collage consists of 18 individual photographs arranged in a grid-like fashion, capturing various moments from a school performance. The setting is a room with bright green walls and a wooden floor. The performers include children of various ages and a few adults. The activities shown are diverse, ranging from singing into microphones to dancing, playing instruments like a piano and a drum, and acting out scenes. Some children are in school uniforms, while others are in costumes, such as a pirate, a knight, a ballerina, and a boy in a top hat. The audience, mostly other children, is seen sitting on the floor, watching the performances. The overall atmosphere is festive and creative.



Wising all of our parents and students a wonderful summer holiday

Thursday 2nd September - First day back

Thanks to the PTA and Mr and Mrs Wood for our chocolate bars



Spotty Box Awards for success outside school :

Felice F and Beatrix B for competing at The Future Cheer International (Cheerleading Competition) in Bournemouth representing the Surrey Starlets coming 3rd out of 9 and winning a 'Hit Zero' badge for their flawless routine!



Edward P d M - Grade 4 Gymnastics Badge Award

Jemima H- for her Little Princess Trust certificate, so kindly donating her hair to this wonderful charity appeal for children.

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