



## HEAD'S LINES

**Head's Lines:** This week at school we have had our visit from the Local Authority moderators who validate the schools assessment judgements at the end of key stage 2 for writing; this ensures a consistency with other schools. I am pleased to report that, as expected, our assessment judgements were validated as accurate and the moderators were very impressed with our teachers knowledge about the children's writing ability – well done Miss Haurdhan and Mr Angus. Congratulations also to Mr Miseldine and Squirrel children who have successfully completed the Phonic screening tests this week. I was pleased to show Ms Grizeldis Kirsch around the school earlier this week as we welcome her onto our Governing Body as the new LA governor.

Mrs Lawlor and I enjoyed meeting with the Suzie, Lia and their team of helpers to plan for the Summer Fair this week—they have some wonderful ideas to raise funds for the school so please do show support by getting involved if you have a little time. **Mrs. Hodgson**

## Class news this week

**Caterpillar Class:** All the rain we've had this week has been helping our vegetables to grow! We were very excited to notice some of our strawberries beginning to ripen and we have picked some of the lettuce to make some delicious salad sandwiches!



**Butterfly Class:** This week in Butterfly Class we have been learning all about adding two numbers together to make 10. We have been using the numicon to explore this with. We have also been taking care of our plants and hope we will have some delicious radishes, beetroots and tomatoes to enjoy. We have also been exploring in the junk modelling area and making lots of imaginative creations even a beach skirt.



**Squirrel Class:** We have started a new history topic in Squirrel class on toys and enjoyed describing our favourite toys today. We carefully observed what they were made from, what they felt like and what they did. After this, we researched the toys our parents had when

when they were younger and began to notice the differences between toys today and ones in the past. We even got to see the teddy Mrs Wakeling had when she was a baby and saw how the shape and materials of the teddy had changed from toys today!



**Hedgehog Class:** This week in Hedgehog class we have fully immersed ourselves in our story 'The Storm Whale'. We have written poems about the storm and rewritten the story using interesting sentence starters. In Maths, we have been revising capacity and how to read different scales. We had fun participating a water relay to see how many millilitres make one litre. In Science, we have been learning about healthy eating and a balanced diet.

**Fox Class:** This week Fox class have been working hard to prepare and rehearse our assembly. We have enjoyed learning about time, and were interested to find out about AM and PM. In English we have written some sensational fact files all about the mysterious Firebird. We have been showing terrific perseverance in swimming and we have all jumped in from the deep end of the pool!

**Otter Class:** This week we enjoyed a fantastic visit to Kew gardens to support our learning on the rain forests and on habitats in science. Although it rained all day, it did not dampen our spirits and we had a great time. It was especially good to visit the glasshouses where the children could experience the humidity of a tropical rain forest and see some of the plants and flowers that grow there.



**Owl Class:** In Owl Class this week, we have been busy reading another part of our class text 'Cosmic'. We have been thinking about the features of persuasive writing and have written some amazing pieces to persuade somebody to go onto one of the rides at Chessington World of Adventures! In maths, we have been learning how to multiply a 3 digit number by a 2 digit number. We are really enjoying our space topic and have worked collaboratively to create a space timeline.

**Falcon & Hawk class:** This week, Year 6 have been reading the story of Rose Blanche, a German girl, who decided to risk her life to help feed Jewish children in a concentration camp in Germany. We have some magnificent writing to show off as a result! In Design and Technology, we have begun to create our own board games, which we will of course have to try out before term ends!



## Stars of Week!

**Squirrel Class: Arya** for developing great fluency and expression in your writing. **Karis** for showing great confidence in asking & answering questions in class.

**Hedgehog Class: Max** for always being a team player and helping others. **Millie P.** for being resilient & challenging herself in Maths.

**Fox Class:** All of Fox Class for putting brilliant energy & enthusiasm into your assembly.

**Otter Class: Milly** for working so hard on her times tables. **Rishon** for great effort & a super attitude for learning.

**Owl Class: Yasir** for an excellent first couple of weeks at St Mary's. We are all so glad you came to join us in Owl Class. **Alkid** for fantastic Maths learning this week.

**Hawk Class: Anex** for making an extra effort to work collaboratively in class during English lessons. **Poppy** for her re-telling of the story of Rose Blanche with joined up handwriting.

**Falcon Class: Calum** for an exceptional piece of writing on Rose Blanche. **Amy** for an excellent improvement in her writing skills, well done!

**A huge St Mary's congratulations to all of our stars this week!**

### Family and Friends PTA

Up and coming events:

**Environmental Garden** - Thank you to everyone that joined us on Sunday to tidy up the garden the weeds were very over grown. The fence has had its first coat of paint and is looking so much brighter and fresher.

**Pamper Evening** - Tonight is our very first Pamper Evening at school. A lot of the beauty treatments have been booked but there is still availability. If the beauty treatments are not your thing come along and relax with friends we will have a small bar. The card reader should hopefully be up and running for the bar. We also have a raffle with some lovely prizes.

**Sports Day Tuck shop & possible raffle & disco** - more info to come in next weeks newsletter & on our notice board.

### Attendance & Punctuality

**Whole school attendance this week is 93.9%. The class with the best attendance this week is Hedgehog with 97.5% well done!**

**Please remember that the school will not be able to authorise any requests for term time holidays. If your child's attendance falls below 90% your child will be regarded as a persistent absentee and the Educational Welfare Department will be informed.**

### Office news:

We have a few items of new school uniform left available to purchase via the school office please feel free to come and ask if we have what you need before going shopping.

Polite reminder, please do not park across the driveways of our neighbours. The school has recently received complaints from local people that they have been not been able to get their cars out as they have been blocked in at drop off time in the morning. Thank you.

**Diary Dates:** \* = new date **Don't forget!** You can also see a full list of school events on the school calendar which is on our website.

### **June**

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pamper Evening
W/C 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Book Fair Week
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Otter Class Assembly
WB 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Science Week
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS trip to Godstone Farm
Weds 26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Leavers to Guildford Cathedral
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Hedgehog Class Assembly
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Mufti Day—Packet Sweet

### **July**

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>EYFS Sports Day</b>
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Sports Day KS1&amp;2</b>
	<b>Picnic lunch</b>
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	School Disco
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Concert for Choir
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Summer Fair 12-3pm</b>
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Y1&2 Painshill Park trip
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Transition to New Classes
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Celebration Evening</b>
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Bishop Andrew taking Assembly
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Early Years Family Picnic
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Yr6 Leavers events

**Last day of Term 1.15pm**