



St. Mary's C of E Primary School

'Live life, love learning guided by God'

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Head's Lines: Pineapple Class visited **Guildford Cathedral** on Tuesday to take part in the Year 6 Leavers' Service. 2,600 year six pupils and their teachers have been to the Cathedral over the last few days to mark their transition from primary to secondary school. During their visit they took part in a carousel of activities that were an opportunity to celebrate the "Wow" moments in their primary years and deal with any missed opportunities. Have a look at the photo below. We look forward to seeing Year 6 wearing their hoodies from next week and thank you to the Families and Friends for funding these.

That time of **transition at the end of the school year** is almost upon us. We are tremendously proud of all of the hard work that our staff put in every day and I am delighted that we have a strong team of committed staff to work with the children for the next academic year:

Yr 6 Pineapple: Miss Heavens

Yr 5 Papaya: Miss Kelly (Y4 Strawberry this year)

Yr 5 Mango: Miss Payas (Y4 Apricot this year)

Miss Corcoran will not be class based next term but she will be working with the Teachers in Upper Key Stage 2.

Yr 4 Strawberry: Mrs Davies (Mrs Coles on Fridays)

Yr 3 Blueberry: Mr Miseldine

Yr 2 Orange: Miss Russell

Yr 1 Lemon: Miss Smiley

Reception Cherry: Miss Cameron

Nursery Kiwi: Mrs Quinn

Teaching Assistants working alongside these class teachers will be announced next week. The children will have an opportunity to work with their new teachers on class swap morning.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all of the **new families** joining Kiwi Class in September; it was lovely to meet you at the Stay n' Play this week.

I look forward to seeing you all at the **Fair tomorrow** and would like to say a huge 'thank you' to the Families & Friends for all of their hard work in preparing for the Fair. The weather looks good this year!

Mrs Hodgson

mud and the forest. We used the African drums, rain sticks and bells.

Lemon Class: This week lemon class have been enjoying some very tricky maths with missing numbers! We have also made some colourful jellyfish in art and have written some super stories about life under the sea. Our growing beds have exploded and this week we found our first sugar snap pea!

Orange Class: This week Orange class have been retelling a familiar story from another characters point of view. We retold the tale from the view of the whale. This was interesting because we had to imagine we were the whale and think about how we would feel if we became beached. A huge well done to Orange class for their fantastic assembly!



Blueberry Class: The children in Blueberry class have been learning to persuade! We have been inspired by the Firebird story to write persuasive letters to Grey Wolf in the story so that they make the correct decisions. We also turned our classroom into a courtroom to put Prince Ivan on trial. We then had to persuade the judge whether Prince Ivan was guilty or not!

Strawberry and Apricot Classes: This term Strawberry and Apricot Classes are finding out about heroes of Christianity. They have started by considering the qualities that a hero might have and followed this up by learning about the lives of individuals who have really made a difference. So far they have found out about St. Augustine, William Tyndale and William Wilberforce.



Mango Class: This term Mango Class have been looking at the question 'What Would Jesus Do?' in RE. This week we have been looking at people who have made a difference to others by the way that they led their lives. We researched information about Elizabeth Fry, Lord Shaftsbury, Dr Banardo and Mother Theresa and what made them special people.



Pineapple Class: It has been an extremely busy week for Pineapple Class! On Monday morning we went to a secondary transition session at The Kings Centre and met pupils from other primary schools. In the afternoon we had a visit from the school nurse in which we explored different types of relationships. On Tuesday we attended the Year 6 Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral, led by Bishop Jo. In amongst all that, we have also begun our T-shirt design enterprise project. We are hoping to still have enough energy left for Friday's swimming lesson!



Class news this week:

Kiwi: Kiwi Class have had a very busy week! We started with sports day where we did lots of running, jumping, balancing and dressing up. Later in the week, we picked some of the basil that we have been growing and used it to make delicious pizza. Today, we have been for a walk to the wildlife area and found a tadpole in the pond.



Cherry Class: This week in Cherry Class we have been retelling the story 'We are going on a bear hunt'. We used the instruments to tap out a beat and different instrument for the long wavy grass, the squelchy squerchy



Stars of the week:



Lemon Class: **Oliver** for constantly showing a positive and hard working attitude and **Izzie** for making amazing progress in her writing.

Orange Class: **All of Orange Class** for all their hard work and enthusiasm in our class assembly.

Blueberry: **Lilli** for excellent reasoning and explanations in guided reading. **Joseph** for great perseverance in learning his times tables.

Apricot: **Trevor** for the improvement he has made with his writing and **Freddy** for the effort he puts into all his learning.

Strawberry: **Maria** for brilliant perseverance making a rainforest collage in Art. **Oscar** for great improvement in writing and all round fantastic effort.

Mango Class: **Archie** for super contributions to Literacy and **Cameron** for fantastic ideas in Literacy.

Pineapple Class: **Daisy** for a fantastic piece of writing about Year 6's trip to the King's Centre and Guildford Cathedral. **Annouska** for a consistently positive attitude towards learning.

144 Club: Congratulations to **Logan** in Blueberry Class and **Grace** in Apricot Class for becoming members of the 144 Club—Well done.

Congratulations to all of you we are proud to have you as part of our school!



Notes from the office :

If children suffer from hay fever please make sure they have had the appropriate medication in the morning. The school can administer prescribed medication, but only if you have filled in a medical form at the office with details of times when needed.

School Uniform expectations.

At this time of year, as you buy new uniform for the children, please remember that the navy sweat shirt or cardigan should have a school logo and can be purchased through our uniform provider - there is a link on the website. Mrs Hodgson

Sports Day 6th July - arrangements are as follows:

KS1 Sports Day will start at 9.30am and finish at 11.30am. KS2 Sports Day will start at 12.30 and we aim to finish by 3.20pm.

Parents are welcome to bring a picnic lunch and stay on the field to picnic with their children if they would like to.

Children are expected to wear a **T-shirt in their House colour** as in previous years. I am sure that we will have a fantastic day and we look forward to seeing you there. The Early Years Sports Day held this week was enjoyed by many families, it was a lovely event and thank you for coming along to support the children. Mrs Hodgson

We have a vacancy for a **Sports Apprentice** from September. Please see link below for details

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-139442>

Attendance & Behaviour:

Whole school attendance this week is 93.5%. Cherry and Orange classes had the best attendance this week with 95.7%. **Well done to Cherry and Orange classes.**

The classes we need to encourage to get to school on time this week are **Cherry and Blueberry classes.**

Please remember the registers are taken at 9am and assembly starts at 9.05am. Thank you for your support in getting the children to school on time.

Families and Friends News:

The school fair is finally here. Please come and have some fun and games and support our school tomorrow from 12am until 3pm.

It would be very helpful if you could bring as much change as possible rather than notes.

Upcoming events:

Tuesday 11th July—Summer Disco. EYS, KS1 4.30 to 5.30 and KS2 5.45 to 7pm

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There is a giant Teddy Bear at the front of school! We will be naming him as one of the fundraising activities for the Fair. Look out for Bear on the gate next Thursday and Friday. The cost to name him will be £1.

Secondary School Open Evening

Nonsuch High School for Girls will be holding an open evening on 11th July, 4 to 8.30 pm.

Entrance test begin on 19th September.

All girls in Y6 next term and parents are welcome to go along.

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.

1st July Summer Fair 12-3pm

4th & 5th July – secondary school induction days Yr 6

6th July – Sports Day, KS1 starts 9.30, KS2 starts 12.30

10th July Arts Week including Steel Pan workshops

11th July – KS1 to Lookout Discovery Centre

13th July– Strawberry Class Assembly

14th July—Reports out to Parents

17th July – Class Swap morning

17th July—Celebration Evening 6– 8pm

21st July – Yr6 Leavers Assembly and evening party

21st July – End of term at 12 noon