

HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



Friday 25th February 2022

TERM 4!

What a windy start we had to the week with aftermath of storm Franklin rattling around the playground. Typical British weather and a good reminder to come prepared for all types of weather as we always try to get outside for a run around.

Congratulations to Mr Donovan who had the best half term with the arrival of his baby daughter. We're looking forward to seeing more photos on his return! Mrs Fane is covering his class again next week while he is on Paternity Leave.

We also welcome Miss Bradley back, who was on placement at Speldhurst School last term. She will be based with year 4 over the next few weeks.

Reception had a visitor this week when Zoe Taylor, our crossing patrol officer came to talk to the children about how she keeps them safe crossing the road. Please do cross the road with Zoe, and at the zebra crossing outside of school. We see so many nipping across the road and it can be very busy along Powdermill Lane.

My highlight of the week has been holding worships daily in the hall again. It is so lovely to be able to come together and the children really do sing beautifully. This week, we have been looking at what is fair and linking it to Fairtrade. We decided that the simple choice of buying a Fairtrade banana would follow Proverbs 3:27

**'Whenever you are able,
do good to people who need help.'**

NEXT WEEK

Next week, we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday. It would be lovely if the children came dressed as a favourite book character. There is no need to spend money on buying costumes – we love seeing creative costumes made at home. For ideas please see the WBD website <https://www.worldbookday.com/resources-to-celebrate-world-book-day/>

Also on Thursday, we have the Royal Tunbridge Wells Symphony Orchestra visiting to run a workshop for our orchestra members. They will also be performing for KS2 children.

Do you have the ingredients you need for pancakes? In worship we will think about why and how we mark Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday.

TERM 4 ENDS

FRIDAY 1ST APRIL



FULFILLING GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL



This is a quick round up of what has been happening in each year group this week. You can see what the staff have got to say about the pupils across the School.



School News

YR	This week we have been busy following and writing instructions to make a bus from junk modelling. We had a visit from Zoe who helps us cross the road and we asked her interesting questions like "why do you hold the sign?" We have also been making tangrams and investigating shape.
Y1	Year One have been finding out about firefighting in 1666, and comparing it with firefighting today. They have written sentences about firefighters, tested and compared different equipment to squirt water, designed fire marks and written questions about firefighting using a question mark.
Y2	In Year 2 we have started learning about the artist Vincent Van Gogh. We have found out a little about his life and looked at some of his most famous paintings. We looked at how many different shades of yellow he used in his painting, 'Sunflowers'. We then used a colour and white paint to see how many different shades we could make. We had to work carefully and add a tiny bit of white at a time to slowly lighten our colour.
Y3	Year 3 have begun using non-fiction texts to find out about the Anglo-Saxons. In Art they created an illuminated letter of their initial as the rich Anglo-Saxons did. While in Music they are learning an Anglo-Saxon song.
Y4	Year 4 are enjoying learning about Greek myths in Literacy this term. The children were very enthusiastic when acting out the story of Theseus and The Minotaur! We have also been identifying the features of myths in the story of Icarus and Daedalus and had a wonderful time going on a 'sound walk' as part of our new topic, 'Sound', in Science. 4R also had great fun in forest school this week learning how to make and light a fire to make their own hot chocolate on!
Y5	Year 5 have started a new topic, learning how punishments for different crimes have changed over the centuries. Our first focus was the Roman period and we enjoyed acting out different scenarios to find out how different classes of people were treated. In art lessons, we continued to construct our paper sculptures.
Y6	Year 6 have been introduced to their new text - Wolf Brother, and have begun to learn about the Stone Age. They have explored bacteria in science and have begun thinking about Easter and the concept of Salvation in RE.

WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

MONDAYS

5S

5D

TUESDAYS

Owls

Robins

6W

6H

WEDNESDAY

Kookaburras

Lorikeets

3DB

3TWP

6W

6H

THURSDAYS

3TWP

4R

4M

Kookaburras

Lorikeets

FRIDAYS

Ducklings

Goslings

4M/4R

Owls

Robins

FOREST SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

4M