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# Parent Consultation Date Change

There has been a change in dates for the Parent Consultations.

# Now they will be held on the 27th and 28th of March from 4-6pm.

Sheets to sign up for the Parent Consultations will be available from Friday the 16th.

# **FPTA** Dates

Here are some dates of upcoming events for your diary!

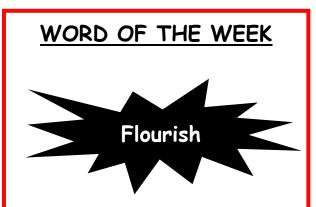
Fri 16th Mar-Movie Night-3:30-5pm

**Sat 17th Mar**—East Hoathly Spring Fete—12-3pm

Sun 27th May—Summer Fun Run

Please see the posters for the events attached to the back of the newsletter!





<u>Definition of Flourish (verb) *in*</u> <u>English:</u> 1) Grow or develop in a healthy or

vigorous way.

# <u>Term 4 Clubs</u>

Forms for clubs this term are available from the office. Please pop in if you would like to sign your child up for a club.

# <u>Parking</u>

Just a gentle reminder, that if you park your cars to drop your children off in the morning, please don't park on the Church Marks Lane bend.

Thank you for your co-operation in making the roads safer for the children.

#### <u>China Week</u>

#### Kung Hei Fat Choi! Happy New Year!

During the first week of term, the children learnt all about China in their afternoon sessions. This was linked to the Chinese New Year celebrations.

Each class took part in a range of learning linked to China. Throughout the school, children were preparing and tasting Chinese food. Year 5 and 6 created some very tasty vegetable spring rolls and they enjoyed tasting and sharing them with parents!

There was a lot of geography taking place, learning about China and where it is located. Year 3 and 4 learnt how to write Chinese symbols and presented their work beautifully as well as learning about the tradition of giving red envelopes with money as a New Year gift.

As 2018 is the 'Year of the Dog', Year 1 and 2 designed and created their own dog masks. Reception enjoyed making noodles and writing instructions for how to do this. They then loved tasting their creations when all their hard work was done!

Many thanks to all of the staff for planning such exciting activities for the children and to all of the parents and carers for coming into our celebration of work at the end of the week!



#### Book Week

Last week, we celebrated World Book Day on Thursday the 1st of March. We wrote letters to people we admire throughout the week and we have posted these off—fingers crossed we hear back!

We got dressed up as our favourite characters and shared books with one another! Have a look at the photos below and see if you can tell what our favourite characters are!

We were also lucky enough to have a visit from an author - Giles Paley-Phillips. He came to talk to us about what it is like to be an author and to also share his book 'Superchimp'.

The children were really excited to see Giles. Summer in Year 4 said "I really enjoyed meeting him. His story was really good—he had definitely used his imagination!" Jessica in Year 2 said "Giles was amazing—he read us one of his books, Superchimp, it was fantastic!"

Giles enjoyed his visit to East Hoathly too. He said that the "children and staff were very welcoming, enthusiastic and had great questions."

What a lovely response AND what a lovely day we had!



#### East Hoathly Swimming Gala

On Monday the 26th of February, Pioneer took two teams to the Ringmer Cluster Schools Swimming Gala. A team from East Hoathly and a team from Chiddingly competed against each other and four other schools in our local area.

The swimmers from Year 5 and 6 competed in individual 25 metre swims, individual 75 metre swims and team relays of 75 and 100 metres, using different swimming techniques. The teams were split into two heats and then the races were timed and put into fastest order. These scores were then added together to work out the winning team.

Our team of swimmers showed an exceptional level of sportsmanship, cheering on their team mates, swimmers from Chiddingly and other swimmers in the pool. They also showed how they have developed their growth mindsets in trying something new and giving their best efforts. As a school and team, this is the first swimming gala many of them have ever attended.

Mrs Parris was very proud of the swimming team and said that "each one gave it their best and showed support and enthusiasm right until the end. The best bit was them enjoying themselves. Well done to the team!"

As a team East Hoathly came 6<sup>th</sup> and the pupils have a new found interest in swimming competitively. As a teacher on the pool side, I was so proud of how our children stepped up to the competition and thankful to our parents for supporting us with loud cheers and providing travel arrangements allowing the children to take part!

Well Done Team!

Miss Denney





The children were very excited to meet the other children within the Partnership and it is our aim to have one call weekly to St Mary's!







Citizen of the Week

Sophie Campbell-Stephen

for

being polite and showing respect to all others around her.



# Learning Powers Certificate

On Friday 16th of March, there will be a celebration assembly at 9.15am, the following children will be celebrating their achievements:

Reception	Sophie Campbell-Stephen
Year 1/2	Spencer Bushell
Year 3/4	Brooke Mitchell
Year 5/6	Saffron Gillies





This week, Year 5 and 6 completed the ultimate fire challenge! They had to start a fire and keep it alight for the longest time with only a small amount of natural fuel. They had four



cotton wool balls, five sticks, 1/2 a egg box and a fire lighter.

The children quickly discovered how tricky it was to keep the fire going in the wind and a top tip of savouring their fuel sources to keep it going.

The teams were really creative and the longest fire time was over eight minutes!

The children enjoy their Forest School and we are grateful to our volunteers who give up their time to come and help.

# Volunteer

#### <u>Helpers</u>

If any parents would like to volunteer in the school please see Miss Dutton in the school office to complete the required paperwork.

We welcome volunteers to help with readers, forest school, swimming and some school trips.



#### <u>Attendance</u>

The whole school attendance for this year so far is: 94.1%

This week's attendance: 95.6%

<u>Reception - 89.3% Year 1/2 - 97.6% Year 3/4 - 96.5% Year 5/6 - 96.2%</u>

Well done to Year 1/2 for having the highest attendance this week!

# BIRTHDAYS!

Birthdays for the last fortnight

Happy Birthday to **Sam Simmons** in Year 4! Happy Birthday to **James Bushell** in Year 6! Happy Birthday to **Saffron Gillies** in Year 5! Happy Birthday to **Emilia Ruff** on Year 5! Happy Birthday to **Harvey Taylor** in Year 6!



#### Diner of the Week:

Nursery - Sophie Spinks

KS1 - Myla Bulba

KS2 - Coen Parkhouse

#### **Champion Table**

KS1 - Portugal - 11 points

KS2 - Scotland - 16 points

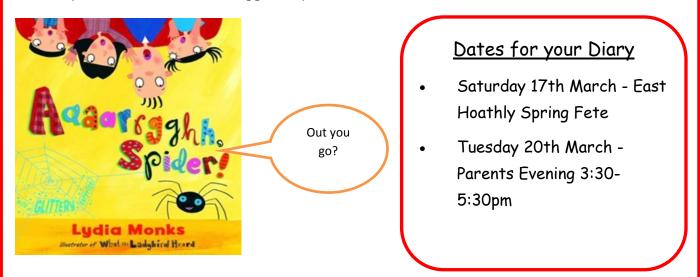




# Nursery News

The children are really enjoying their topic 'It's a Bugs Life' so far this term! In Nursery this week, we were looking at spiders. The children have made lots of spider art and craft activities such as handprints and string painting.

Our story this week was 'Aaaarrgghh, Spider!'



The FPTA are running the Spring Fete on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 12pm-3pm. Nursery will be running their own stall and any money raised from this will go directly to Nursery. Raffle tickets that are being sent home are also to help raise money for Nursery. We look forward to seeing you there!

Please can we remind parents and carers that children need to be collected by 3:15pm otherwise you will incur a £5 late fee. If you have questions regarding this, please come and speak to Dawn who will be happy to answer any questions.

When dropping off or collecting your children this week, please can you all sign up for **Parents Evening** which is on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March from 3:30-5:30pm**.

Please can we remind all parents that we are a 'nut free' school and to bear this in mind when packing your children's lunch boxes.

Finally, many thanks to **Flomar Garage** for the donation of 5 tyres to the new Nursery play area!

Thank you for your continued support,

Nursery team

# <u>FPTA</u>

# Spring Fete Raffle Tickets

Correct raffle tickets have been sent home today in book bags, please discard any old ones you have. Any tickets that have been returned to the office already will be issued with replacements.

Please return all sold raffle tickets and money to the School Office by Friday 16th March at 3pm to ensure they get entered in the prize draw. Please could parents return any unsold tickets also to enable them to be sold at the fair.

Prizes include luxury hampers, vouchers for local pubs, restaurants, take aways and shops, entry passes for fun days out and a fantastic selection of gifts.

# East Hoathly Spring Fete - Saturday 17th March 12-3pm

We hope you will join us in the Village Hall to celebrate the beginning of Spring. We have lots planned including:

Games for all ages, Arts and Crafts, Hot Food and Drinks, St Patrick's Day Bar, Easter Wheelbarrow, Raffle, Silent Auction, Tombola, Cake, Gift, Plant and Second Hand Book Stall.

There will also be an Easter Bonnet Parade and visit from the Easter Bunny!

We hope to see you there!

#### <u>Guitar Lessons</u>

There will be guitar lessons potentially starting on Wednesdays after lunch time, if you would like more information, please contact the school office.



# Messy Church

This Saturday, the Village Hall is hosting a 'Messy Church' between 10am and 12.

It's a free event where children can do arts and crafts, learn a song to sing and they can even have snacks and sandwiches for lunch!

Please see the poster attached.

It would be lovely to see you all there!



# Movie Night

Please find the Movie Night poster attached to the back of the newsletter. Reply slips will be sent on Monday.

Movie Night is on Friday the 16th of March from 3:30-5pm.





#### Dates for your diary 2017/2018

#### <u>March 2018</u>

13th — Parent Forum at 9.00am

16th— FPTA Movie Night

19th March - Sports activities week - British Athletes

27th and 28th— Parent Consultation

Meetings (4-6pm)

29th — Easter Service at 9.25am

<u>May 2018</u>

2nd — Parent Forum at 9.00am to 9.25am

21st — Enterprise week

27th—Summer Fun Run

#### <u>June 2018</u>

4th — INSET day

7th— Awe & Wonder Day and celebration at 2.30pm

13th — Parent Forum at 9.00am to 9.25am

29th — Table Tennis Tournament at 12.30pm at East Hoathly

#### <u>July 2018</u>

4th — Sports Day at 9.30am & picnic at 12.00pm with parents

6th — Reports home to parents

6th—Summer Production dress rehearsal at 2.00pm

10th — Summer Production at 2.00pm and 6.30pm

19th — Leavers Service at 9.30am

20th — INSET day



#### Parent Forums 2017/18

Please join us to discuss ways in which we can develop our school.

Term 4 - 13th March 2018

Homework Policy Review Attendance Policy Review Anti-Bullying Initiative Review Parentview SATs info for Year 6 parents 9:00-9:25am

# Term 5 - 2nd May 2018

Thrive Review Attendance Mindfulness Review, including Golden Mile. 9:00-9:25am

<u>Term 6</u> -**12th June 2018** Parentview Review SDP and plans for 2018/2019.

9:00-9:25am



Come and join us for East Hoathly's first ever...



Gluing, sticking and painting for young children! Card making and singing for Mother's Day! Sandwiches, squash and crisps for lunch! Bring your child or young person along to join the fun: Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 10 till 12 East Hoathly Village Hall

We will be learning a song to sing at the Mother's Day service at East Hoathly Church at 11am the next day...

Great if you can join us for Mothering Sunday but all are welcome at Messy Church!



Messy Church is free to all comers but under 16s must be accompanied by an adult Young people with disabilities welcome

