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Term 6 Week 4

Friday 3rd July 2020

Dear Pioneer Families

We hope you have had a great week! This has been a slightly cooler week in school and it has been great to see the outdoor spaces being used so freely.

As time goes on, we are aware that you will have questions about the children returning in September and we are planning to issue a letter based on Government guidance, before the Summer Holidays.

The children have amazed us with their resilience and adaptability since returning to school. New friendships have been formed and children have coped with the changes in their environments incredibly well.

Have a wonderful weekend as we approach the last two weeks of this very different and challenging school year. Thank you all for your support and teamwork in working together for our very special Pioneer children.

Pioneer Federation Senior Leadership Team.

East Hoathly

We are excited to announce the first ever class names for East Hoathly school - these will come into effect from September 2020. We have been inspired by our Forest School ethos and have chosen animal names.

Nursery - Ducklings

Reception - Hedgehogs

Year 1 and 2 - Squirrels

Year 3 and 4 - Foxes

Year 5 and 6 - Owls



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Reception - East Hoathly

In Reception this week, we have turned into Pirates!

We have walked the plank, been on treasure hunts and even made our own pirate ships.



Reception - Chiddingly

Oak Class loved the gorgeous weather last week and have been finding out about how much containers hold when splashing about! We have also been practising our aiming at targets by throwing objects into buckets of water and then adjusting our aim. The nearer we got, the easier it was to hit the target!



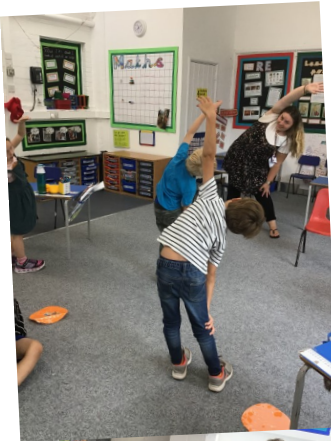
Year 1 - Chiddingly



This week, Beech class re-enacted the Battle of Hastings. We made helmets and we found hurdles to represent cross bows, tennis rackets for shields and



Year 1 - East Hoathly



Year 1 - Chiddingly



Last week we enjoyed making stained glass windows. We also



made crowns and jewellery that Kings and Queens would have worn. On Thursday, we had our lunch outside just like a royal banquet!



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Key Workers - Chiddingly



Last week we enjoyed lots of topic activities including learning about Roman schools, teeth, Viking weapons and Kings and Queens. Some of the children learnt how to play Backgammon - a game the Romans enjoyed playing themselves! The children are doing really well learning their spellings and the 8 times tables. They also enjoyed netball in PE sessions!



Key Workers - East Hoathly



The Keyworker class have been learning about Hadrian's wall and the Battle of Hastings this week.

Orlaith and India are pictured wearing their Pictish earring designs.



Lexi is pictured potting her succulent plants in a pot she painted.

Sophie and Catherine are pictured making salt dough ready for gnomes we are making for our garden area.



Key Workers - St Mary's



This week, our bubble has been divided as we have been able to welcome more children back into both Willow and Larch classrooms. We have been having fun together creating Roman and Viking jewellery, writing gruesome diary entries about Hadrian's Wall and epic poems based on Beowulf and even missed the rain to invent and play our own games at the Croft. Year 2 loved retelling the battle of Hastings



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Sports Day - fabulous photos from home:



One photo is of a Dad having to rescue the sock ball from the gutter after an over enthusiastic clap catch practise!

Then some balancing pictures once we got started properly! Great fun!

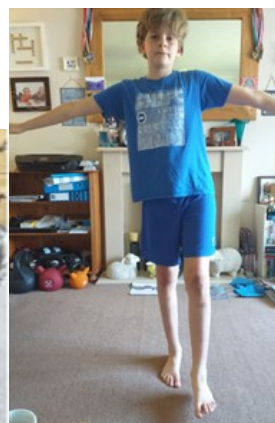
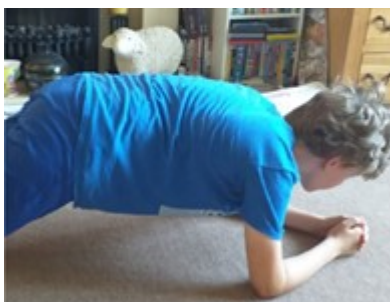
Thanks Mr D for organising!



With Elsie, Sam, Stan, Willow and Malakai



And more from your own gardens and home!



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Sports Day

KS1 Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
1111	438	0	1560

KS2 Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
875	2404	0	2841

Chiddingly

Overall House Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
1986	2842	0	4401

EYFS and Nursery Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
438	1133	0	678

KS1 Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
770	160	0	905

East Hoathly

KS2 Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
2928	2660	0	1831

Overall House Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
3698	2820	0	2736

KS1 Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
113	107	109	114

KS2 Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
125	199	155	127

St Mary's

Overall House Results

RED	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
238	306	264	241

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Assembly - St Mary's

Another lovely celebration assembly this week with even more children! It's fantastic to have over half the school back and we are so looking forward to being able to have everybody back in September.

The children took it in turns to share their learning - from science, to poems, to diaries, to times tables and stories they have enjoyed over the week. It's so lovely to see how proud they are of their work and how much they are enjoying being back together.

Year 6 then treated us to a premiere of their secret video project they have been working on - it brought a tear to quite a few adults' eyes and such a lovely way to see how much they have loved being at St Mary's. We also got to see how very cute they were when they begun primary school and hear their beautiful voices in a song they had written especially for the project. Well done, Year 6 - it really was fantastic and we are so very proud of all you have achieved.

Next week we will have a special celebration assembly to celebrate our fantastic Year 6s and look forward to being all together (virtually!) to wish them all the best for their next journey.



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Assembly - Chiddingly

Chiddingly's celebration assembly this week was full of fun! We had the highest number of children on the screen yet, which was great – 46 children in total!

Mrs Cousens' group had so much to show us this week –



from comic strips about the Battle of Hastings, learning about the Romans, amazing maths and science learning, and Roman villas painted using watercolours! What a busy week you have all had!



We then heard from Sycamore class who had been replaced by an invasion of Viking settlers! Their helmets and swords looked fab! Viking Chloe share the brilliant science work that she had done about the human

body, Viking Austin and Viking Verity read their fantastic Beowulf poems and Viking Albert told us all about the really fun maths project he has been working on – designing his own theme park with a budget of £5million!

The Year 1 group told us all about the Battle of Hastings and showed us some photos of the re-enactment that



they did in the hall! It looked like so much fun! They even used tennis rackets as shields and weapons!



They also showed us how they have been inspired by the Bayeux Tapestry to create one of their own about their own lives. Lilly then told us about the science learning she has done – the group have learnt all about

reptiles, particularly snakes. They completed a science investigation, finding out about snake eggs and they even managed to make a chicken's egg bounce!

We then heard about the pirate learning going on in Oak class. They have had a fantastic week learning a new pirate song and performed it to us with all the actions!



We chose to sing a more traditional song in assembly and the sound of 'The Lord's my Shepherd' could be heard all around the school – the children were really belting it out today! After giving out our Learning Power certificates, we heard about the adults' moments of the week – these ranged from excitement at the return of more Chiddingly children to school; fantastic cricket skills in Year 1; beautiful Monet-inspired painting on the school field and Oak class children wearing pirate eye-patches to greet parents at the end of the day (and even going on to making pirate patches for all the family at home!) Well done everyone – see you in 2 weeks for our final celebration assembly of the school year!!

Summer Holiday arrangements

The Secretary of State for Education, Gavin Williamson has stated that they are not asking schools to open over the summer holidays, and there is no expectation that schools should open for vulnerable children and children of critical workers over this period; (adding) teachers, support staff and school leaders deserve a break, to recharge and rest....

When asked specifically 'What provision will there be for vulnerable children and children of critical workers over summer holidays?'

the **Regional Schools Commissioner's office said....**

We can confirm that providers offering paid childcare will also be able to operate over the summer holidays, in line with protective measures guidance.

In line with the above, the Nursery will be closed as usual over the summer; if needed, please look for holiday clubs etc.

September

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Follow Up

As a follow up to the information in the Newsletter last week about accessing activities from home, we have been sent a further link:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year>

This is a link to a brilliant online learning website which you could use. This website provides online lessons with a teacher guiding the child through a lesson with slides, the English ones are great! Click on your child's year group and then find the subject you want to learn about. The lessons are in blocks so you will need to find lesson 1 to start.



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And finally:



Clean-up and Create Art Competition

This competition has been designed to provide a platform for raising awareness of the problems and solutions of the environment and littering amongst youngsters whilst engaging them in a fun and creative way.

The competition will be open to all schools, uniformed groups and individuals in Hampshire and Sussex with entrants being **between 5 and 16 years of age**.

southdownstrust.org.uk/clean-up/



Enter the 2020/21 South Downs Photo Competition

Judges will be looking for images* that showcase the tranquil beauty of the South Downs – whether that be a stunning landscape, woodland, or piece of history. There are two categories for budding young photographers – **10 years and under and 11 to 17**, winners will receive a Columbia outdoors rucksack and a Columbia beanie.

*Those capturing images of the National Park should adhere to the government guidance of social distancing and avoiding busy hot-spots.

southdowns.gov.uk/enter-the-south-downs-photo-competition