

Date: 1st February 2019

Term 3:4

## ST MARY THE VIRGIN CEP SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

'Learning with love, strength and faith following the example of Jesus'



Dear St Mary's Families

It's been a very busy couple of weeks at St Mary's and this term seems to be flying by! Despite the cold weather we have had this last week, the children have kept smiling and positive, even when events that had been planned had to be postponed. Mr Dolton arranged a fantastic day on The Croft in the sunshine for Orienteering day - look out in the newsletter and on the website for some photos and more details.

Safer Internet Day is coming up next week and we have arranged a workshop for parents on **Wednesday 6th February** at 9:30 - 11:00. Please do try and attend, if you can, as it will be a great chance to ask any questions or get further advice on how to help your children stay safe on the internet - particularly those moving onto Secondary school next year.

If you haven't yet returned your child's permission slip for the upcoming whole school trip to Ashdown Forest, please could you hand this in ASAP. It is going to be a fantastic day and a great way to celebrate all the children's hard work and progress that they have made this term.

Thank you, as always for your support. Stay safe in the snow and have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

James Procter  
**Executive Headteacher**

Vicky Lewis  
**Head of School**

Becca Hare  
**Assistant Headteacher**

Abbie Banks  
**Senior Teacher**





Reverend Julie writes...

This Sunday we have our Family Holy Communion at 9.30am in St Mary's Church. Everyone is welcome. Sunday Discoverers age 4 upwards meet in the church to look at the story and craft for the day. On the 10<sup>th</sup> February we have our Church Family Praise service. This is an informal service for all ages with a worship band and activities for the children.

*Rev'd Julie Sear*

*Rector, St Mary's Church Hartfield and*

*Coleman's Hatch*

01892 770436

[www.hartfieldchurch.org](http://www.hartfieldchurch.org)



### Behaviour Policy

We have been trialling a new behaviour system over the last couple of weeks and it has been extremely successful.

If you have been in school, you may have noticed the beautiful new visual displays that are up in each classroom and in central areas of the school, thanks to the talented Kay Carpenter!

The children have responded brilliantly to the new system and are hugely motivated by their achievements.

The full updated behaviour policy will be sent out for your information next week in a separate letter. Please do not hesitate to come and speak with us if you have any questions.

parents  
forum

The next Parent Forum will be on Thursday 7th February between **2.45pm and 3.15pm** with Miss Lewis and Mr Procter.

The focus of the parent forum will be on the refinement and development of the School Vision, along with the new behaviour policy and lunchtime systems.



### PTFA News

A huge thank you to everyone for their donations last week and help for the jumble sale, raising £450.

Don't forget the school disco coming up next Friday. Tickets will be on sale next week on the playground at pick up.

*The PTFA x*

events 2019

### My journey raising awareness of PDA

with Paul Goodwin, Connor PDA

This workshop is about PDA (Pathological Demand Avoidance) with Paul Goodwin. In 2017 Paul created a Facebook group, Connor PDA, to raise awareness of PDA. Since then over 1,000 people have joined and followers include Anna Kennedy OBE (autism ambassador), Kevin Healey (former director of NAS) and Tania Tirraro (founder of Special Needs Jungle).

During the workshop Paul will cover:

- what Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA) is
- his journey raising awareness of PDA
- information on resources and support

This event is relevant to parent carers and those teaching or working with autistic children and young people

**Thursday 14th February**

The Phoenix Centre  
26 Malling St. Lewes, BN7 2RD

**7pm - 9pm**

To book a place on one of the above events visit: [www.tickettailor.com/events/icontact](http://www.tickettailor.com/events/icontact)

## Maths Workshop – Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019



A huge thank you to the parents who came to our Maths Workshop! We hope your questions were answered and you went away full of enthusiasm and new knowledge. Year Six were superstars, as usual, and led different demonstrations and methods based on how we learn in school. If you wanted to have a look at our Calculation Policy, it is on the school website under the 'More Information' tab.

Miss Banks



Thank you and well done to the **Love, Strength and Faith Champions** who led worship in Church with Rev Julie. They helped us to think about the value of Sacrifice through the Bible story of Ruth and how she made sacrifices for her friend Naomi. They also led us in some prayers. We look forward to them leading us in Worship again next term.



## Sports Awards – Mr Dolton

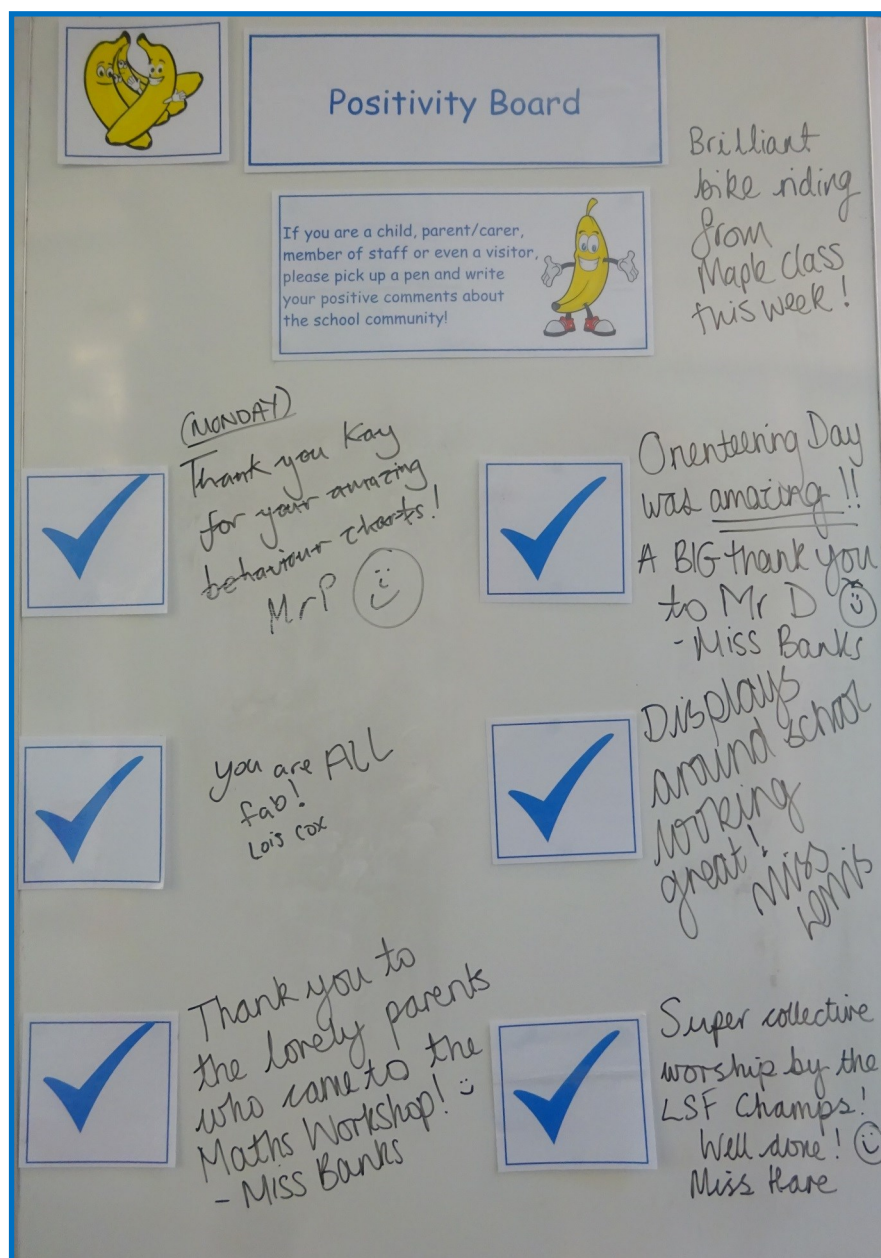
Well done to the following children, who have received certificates today explaining why they won their award.

	w/e 18th Jan	w/e 25th Jan
Maple	Tiago	Jacob
Cherry	Lucas	Finlay
Willow	Lucas	Phoebe
Lilac	Seren	Callum





## Pioneer Federation News Update



### Positivity Board

This board enables parents/carers, staff, children and visitors to write positive comments, or thoughts, about their time in school or during events that they would like to share with others.

Please pop in any time to write down something that you would like to share.

In the newsletter every fortnight, there will be a picture to share and celebrate the positivity within our school and community.

As always, thank you for your support!

## Power Learners of the Week & Attendance

LEARNERS W/E:	25TH JAN	1ST FEB:	ATTENDANCE W/E:	25TH JAN	1ST FEB
MAPLE:	SCARLETT	EMILY	MAPLE:	89.3%	97.5%
CHERRY:	HARRY	CHLOE	CHERRY:	96.9 %	89.0%
WILLOW:	ARCHIE	RHYS	WILLOW:	92.2 %	95.2%
LILAC:	ANNABELLE	ELODIE	LILAC:	94.7%	92.3%
			TOTAL:	93.9%	92.8%



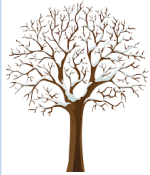
# This Week's St Mary's Photo Album



Clockwise from top left: electric drumming lessons, Orienteering & Scavenger Hunt Day on Monday 28th, Maple's Bus Trip and Day Out, Maths Parent Workshop with Year 6, Willow Forest School and Maple learning about machinery used on farms







## Diary Dates (subject to changes and additions)

### Monday 4th February

Full Governing Body Meeting, 6pm—8pm

### Tuesday 5th February

Safer Internet Day  
Menu Change—Chinese New Year

### Wednesday 6th February

Internet Safety  
Parent Workshop 9.30am to 11am

### Thursday 7th February

Lilac at Forest School

### Thursday 7th February

Parent Forum, 2.45pm to 3.15pm

### Friday 8th February

School Disco - 3.30pm to 5.30pm  
No Mr Dolton Club (Monday 11th instead)

### Monday 11th February

Chartwells in school for ParentPay Surgery

### Tuesday 12th February

Whole school trip to Ashdown Forest

### Thursday 14th February

Maple at Forest School

### Thursday 14th and Friday 15th February

Willow Bake Sale After School

### Friday 15th February

Open afternoon for parents to come into school and see their children's work. From 2.45pm.

### Half Term

Monday 18th February to Friday 22nd February

### Monday 25th Feb to Friday 8th March

Fairtrade Fortnight 2019

### Monday 25th Feb

Samba Music Workshops Whole School

### Wednesday 27th February

Fairtrade Collective Worship and Shop at St Mary's Church - parents welcome

### Tuesday 5th March

Punctuation and Grammar Parent Workshop  
2.45pm to 3.15pm

### Wednesday 20th March

Red Butler Music School Assembly—9am to 10am

### Easter Holiday

Monday 8th April to Monday 22nd April



## PTFA Events:

**Chinese New Year Disco    Friday 8th February 2019    3.30pm at School**

### Bake Sale Dates:



Willow - Thurs 14 / Fri 15 February

Lilac - Thurs 4 / Fri 5 April

Maple - Thurs 11 / Fri 12 July

# CHINESE NEW YEAR



05/02/19



## MAINS

*Chinese Chicken Noodles*

*Quorn Chinese Veggie Rice (v)*

*Jacket Potato with Cheese (v) or Baked Beans (v)*

## SIDES

*Oriental Vegetables*

*Fresh Broccoli*

KS1 - Free  
KS2 - £2.10

## DESSERTS

*Mango Frozen Yoghurt*

*or*

*Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit*

