#### 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 start to our final term of this year and we are filling it with lots of exciting events.

Lilac have been busy practising for their end of term production of 'Alice - The Musical!' and it's been lovely to hear them learning the songs! Willow have been experimenting with clay as they are going to be designing and making their own Greek pot this term. Cherry have done some beautiful art work based on their learning about the Stone Age and are preparing for their trip next week. Maple had a fantastic Pirate day and all looked brilliant dressed up.

Despite the disappointment that Sports day and the Summer Social couldn't go ahead as planned, we now have a confirmed date of Friday 12th July so do make sure this is in your diary. We will send further details of this nearer the time.

We are beginning to make plans for our final 'University of Life' which is combined with 'Bring an Adult to School day' this term. On Tuesday 16th July, we will all be heading to Forest School for the whole morning and would love as many of you to join us as possible. It's a great chance for the children to spend a morning with children in different classes to them and show off our fantastic Forest School facilities. A letter with further details will be sent out in the next couple of weeks.

Thank you for all your continued support.

Kind regards,

James Procter

Vicky Lewis **Executive Headteacher Head of School** 

Becca Hare Assistant Headteacher Abbie Banks Senior Teacher

#### **Wellbeing Poster**



We will be sharing a new wellbeing poster with you within our fortnightly newsletter. Some will be aimed specifically at adults and others will be aimed at children. This week's poster on page 7 shows ways on how to build your child's resilience and growth mindset.



















# Staffing Update



We have some updated staffing news to share with you.

From September, Mrs Leahy will be taking on an additional role at Chiddingly Primary School, as their Inclusion Manager. Her roles here at St Mary's remain unchanged.

Miss Lizzie Hare (who will be known as Miss Jane, to avoid any confusion!) has been appointed as the Year 1 and 2 Class TA and SEND TA and will also be running the morning breakfast club.

We are sorry to share with you the news that Mrs Tufo will be leaving us at the end of June, with her last day being 28th June. Please see below a message from Mrs Tufo. Miss Jane will be covering as secretary for the last three weeks and will also use this time as an opportunity to get to know you and your children. We are in the process of recruiting a new secretary and will inform you when this appointment has been made.

This term is an important one to help children begin to transition into their new classes for September and we have arranged some dates when this will happen.

Our transition dates are as follows:

- EYFS 'Pop in and Play' 9:30 10:30 on 16<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> June and 10<sup>th</sup> July.
- KS1 every Monday afternoon in Term 6.
- Whole school Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July (morning)
- KS2 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> and Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July (afternoon)

Sophie Murdoch (our new Year 3 and 4 teacher) will be in for 8th, 15th and 22nd July for transitions with the class and will also be coming to our 'Bring an adult to school/University of life' morning to get to know parents and children across the school.

Parents are very welcome to book a meeting with Miss Murdoch and/or Mrs Leahy, if you wish to discuss anything, on the 8th, 15th or 22nd July. Please contact the school office.

#### A note from Mr Patry

Dear St Mary's Parents, Three years ago I joined the St Mary's team and I have enjoyed getting to know the marvellous community involved in the school. The parents and volunteers are some of the warmest and friendliest people I have had the pleasure to meet in my career and they've added a great deal of enjoyment to my job, not least because they have raised some lovely children that have made my time at St Mary's something that I will miss awfully and never forget. As I go forth in the big wide world of accounting, I shall always endeavour to reach out in love, stand firm with strength and step out in faith, an amazing example set by all the children at St Mary's.

**Dominic Patry** 

#### A note from Mrs Tufo

Dear Parents, I will be leaving St Mary's in a few weeks to take some time out to concentrate on my family for a while. I have loved every minute of being your School Secretary here in Hartfield and I shall miss you and your amazing children very much. It has been an absolute privilege to be here for you all. Wishing you a long and warm Summer with your own loved ones.

Rachael Tufo X

## STOP PRESS! STOP PRESS! STOP PRESS! STOP PRESS!

We are very excited to let you know that St Mary's has been awarded its first Fairtrade FairAware Award. This follows on from a fabulous Fairtrade Fortnight in February and the beginning of a learning partnership, here at school, with the Fairtrade Foundation.





#### **Parent Forum**

The next Parent Forum will be taking place on Monday 17th June at 2.45pm in Larch Class. On the agenda will be the School Uniform Policy. Following on from initial feedback, we will have some new uniform samples for parents to look at from Monday. As usual, please contact your class reps if you would like anything raised on your behalf or do come along yourself, as everyone is welcome to attend.

#### **School Lunches**

School lunches will be going down to £2.05 per child from September. We are delighted that the



Chartwells contract has been extended for a further five years. Our Account Manager, Louise, will be in school on Wednesday 26th June to meet our new reception parents. If you Mr Gray is heading up a working party at the please come along and see Louise.

## Chequer Mead, East Grinstead



Many thanks to Barbara at the Fancy Dress and Costume Hire STAGE COSTUME department at Chequer Mead Theatre, who are helping us with

some of the costumes for the Lilac Production of Alice the Musical on Friday 5th July.

# PTFA Update

As you know, the new date for Sports Day and the PTFA Summer Social is now Friday 12th July. There will be a Mufti Day on Thursday 11th. Please can your children bring in a bottle this. for the tombola on this day. The PTFA will be meeting on Thursday 20th June at 8.15pm, should any parents wish to join them. A location will be advised shortly.

#### Bring an adult to school—Tues 16th July

Further to details of this on the front page, children will come to school as usual in the for Singing Nation to come in on Friday 21st to school in time for lunch.

ST MARY'S SCHOOL, HARTFIELD NEEDS YOU!



SUMMER GROUND FORCE DAY

SATURDAY 27TH JULY 10 AM- 12PM

PLEASE COME ALONG IF YOU CAN SPARE EVEN HALF AN HOUR

#### **Ground Force Day** Saturday 27th July 2019

have any queries or would like to discuss end of term and promises to feed and water anything relating to Chartwells or school anyone volunteering their help during the lunches, please pop in after school drop off on morning. If you are free on the this day and that day. Similarly, if you would like to discuss interested in helping with a variety of jobs any special diet request from September, around the school, please pop by the school office to fill in a sign up sheet. Your help is very much appreciated in preparing the school for the new school year in September. Thank you!

Following the recent writing competition, which



we told you about a few weeks ago, a big shout out to Elodie in Lilac, who did a wonderful job reading her essay to the Siroptimist International in East Grinstead recently and a huge thank

you to Mrs Rowberry for her organisation of

## Whole school singing workshop



Thanks our wonderful PTFA's fundraising and your kind donations, we have arranged

morning (in their forest school kit) and bring June to do workshops with each class. We their adults with them. We will then all walk to would love you to come and join us for our Forest School together, have a play and do an usual Friday celebration assembly at 2:45pm activity there, have a snack and then walk back and a special, whole school performance of the song they will learn.

# This Week's St Mary's Photo Album





From top left: Meeting Miss Bews at a recent steam fair; the Outdoor Club on a Tuesday afternoon; Pirate (ooh, aargh!) Day in Maple Class; Maple at Forest School.











# Wildlife Explorers & Eco Club - Mr and Mrs Rowberry

Last week SMV explorers helped with a National Survey being organised by the University of Sussex (The BRIGIT Project).

We explored around school looking for young Tree Hoppers (or Spittlebugs). The young insects hide in foam blobs and suck liquids from plants. This gives them food as the grow from babies (Nymphs) into adults, but unfortunately they can carry plant diseases.



w/e 20th May w/e 14th June

- "We gently moved the foam to see the bugs."
- "Was it all yellow, or black or yellow with a black stripe?"
- "We counted all the ones we found and Mr Rowberry is going to send off our findings."

This is an important project because it is helping our understanding about insects which bring diseases to plants.

#### **Head Teachers' Award**



Phoebe for multiplication work.

Archie for multiplication work and concentration.

Elodie for great writing.

Oliver for incredible progress in writing.

Louis for excellent extended writing 'The Lighthouse'.



#### Sports Awards - Mr Dolton

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Well done to the following children, who have received certificates today explaining why they won their award.	Maple	Zach	Riley
	Cherry	Jared	Megan
	Willow	Edward	Kishi
	Lilac	Giuseppe	Gabriel

## **Pioneer Federation News Update**



Governor Profile - Rev Julie Sear

For those of you who don't know me, my name is Rev Julie Sear and I am the Rector of Hartfield and Coleman's Hatch. I have been in the post for over five years.

I am married to Trevor and we have two married sons and several Grandchildren. I have been Governor at St Mary's School since my arrival. The school has been on a wonderful journey and it has been a privilege to be part of that journey.

The Christian ethos of the school is grounded in everything that goes on across the school.



As Rector, I was thrilled when the school was presented with 'outstanding' in its SIAMS inspection. Since then, we have been working on a new vision statement and values: Learning with love, strength and faith, following the example of Jesus. The children know these values and each week have times of learning and reflection on a key value.

On a Wednesday afternoon, the children walk up to St Mary's Church for their afternoon Collective Worship. It is a great opportunity for each child to experience being part of a church that has stood here for nearly 800 years. I also encourage the children to participate in the Collective Worship Services in church. It has been such an encouragement watching the children grow in confidence, leading the prayers or in drama. Each month, we also have the Open the Book Team come and open up a bible story for the children.

Since being part of the Pioneer Federation, we have seen great progress made across the partnership. We are seeing good and strong foundations laid for the children and for the future of our school.

As Governor, my role is to pray for all Staff and children. I sit on the Governing body with a particular responsibility for SIAMS and collective worship. This includes all major festivals. I am often at the school gate or in church on a Wednesday afternoon with the school. If you get the chance to come and join us at 2.45pm on a Wednesday, we would love to see you.

Reverend Julie Sear

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#### **Table Tennis Tournament**

On Monday 22nd July, we will be holding a table tennis tournament between all three Pioneer schools, at St Mary's. Good luck to our team of Oliver and Callum and all the children.

# Power Learners of the Week & Attendance

LEARNERS W/E:	7TH JUNE	14TH JUNE	ATTENDANCE W/E:	7TH JUNE	14TH JUNE
MAPLE:	AMELIA	ISABELLA	MAPLE:	97.7%	98.8%
CHERRY:	FREDDIE	RYAH-ROSE	CHERRY:	99.2%	99.3%
WILLOW:	KISHI	HOPE	WILLOW:	97.8%	96.5%
LILAC:	LILY	ZIGGY	LILAC:	100%	93.8%
			TOTAL:	98.9%	96.9%







- 2 Allow space and time for children to make their own decisions
- Help children to become aware of their thoughts
- Help children to challenge themselves 🖔





Help children to learn from failure and mistakes



Try not to provide all the answers for your child



Develop autonomy



Be a positive resilience role model



Let children make mistakes



Don't over praise

Encourage risk taking

Praise children honestly

Help children to put things into perspective

Help children to develop positive coping strategies

# Paint like Monet 7pm Friday 12th July

Hartfield Village Hall
Light hearted with easy steps to follow,
you'll walk away with your very own "Monet"

NO PAINTING EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

Tickets £16
Includes ALL painting materials and food

Donation bar available to ease the creative flow

Please wear OLD clothes

To book your place contact Alison Berry Email: ajberryartist@gmail.com Tel: 01892 770714/ 07763 188538





Gospel Singing Workshop

St Mary's is holding a Gospel Singing Workshop on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July, led by Frances Rowberry.

Frances Rowberry graduated from the University of York in 2007 with a BA(Hons) in Music. She also has a diploma in performance from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. After further singing studies in London, she moved back to her home county of East Sussex where she is a private music teacher to people of all ages and abilities, as well as tutoring singing and recorder for Kent Adult Education. She performs regularly both in ensembles and as a soloist across the South East, most recently appearing with the newly formed chamber choir Brighton16.

The idea of the day is to learn how to sing Gospel Songs § to perform a short concert at the end of the day, to family § friends and community. Everyone is very welcome.

Timings: 10 to 10.30am Welcome and Coffee

Bring a packed lunch

4pm Concert followed by cake and tea

Come and be inspired. Learn some wonderful Gospel songs. Have fun together. Music will be provided. Facilities are available and tea and coffee will be provided. Bring packed lunch, bottle of water and pencil. Donations on the day.

RSVP: Rev'dJulie Sear - <u>Revjuliesear1@gmail.com</u>/01892 <del>77</del>0436 See Website for details: www.hartfieldchurch.org Diary Dates (may be subject to changes and additions)

Monday 17th June

Parent Forum at 2.45pm in Larch

**Tuesday 18th June** 

Cherry Class Trip to Ashdown Forest

Yoga taster session with Sophie after school and Years 1-5. This will be a new September Club starting on Mondays if there is enough interest.

Wednesday 19th June

First pop in and play session for new reception children and parents: 9.30am to 10.30am.

Tech Club Assembly at 2.45pm

**Thursday 20th June** 

Lilac at Forest School

Friday 21st June

Singing Nation Workshops (whole school) Parent Music Assembly at 2.45pm

Week beginning 24th June

Lilac Residential Trip

**Monday 24th June** 

Willow Class to Chiddingly for a joint curriculum day on History.

**Tuesday 25th June** 

Peter Pan Workshop for KS1 and lower KS2

Wednesday 26th June

Second pop in and play session for new reception children and parents at 9.30am to 10.30am

**Thursday 4th July** 

French Language Club Taster Sessions Whole School

**Friday 5th July** 

Lilac Production in the Village Hall

**Tuesday 9th July** 

Year 6 RBMS Music Assembly—to be confirmed

Wednesday 10th July

Third pop in and play session for new reception children at 9.30am

**Thursday 11th July** 

Worth Abbey Leavers Service for Y6 Mufti Day—bring a bottle for tombola

Friday 12th July

Sports Day and PTFA Social Reports Day

**Tuesday 16th July** 

Bring an Adult to School/

University of Life—whole school forest morning.

**Thursday 18th July** 

African Drumming Workshops (whole school)

Friday 19th July

End of Term Leavers' Service

22nd July

Pioneer Federation Table Tennis Tournament

**Tuesday 23rd July** 

End of Term

Inset Days: 4th & 5th September 2019

6th January 2020 1st June 2020 22nd July 2020

First Day Back at School: 6th September



If you need the newsletter or other school letters to be in a different format, please speak to Mrs Tufo in the school office. If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact Mrs Tufo.