



# St Mary the Virgin Church of England Primary School

Hartfield East Sussex TN7 4AA

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Term 4 Week 5

Friday 26th March

## Attendance

Whole school: week: **97.6%**

year: **97%**

Maple: **98.5%**

Cherry: **97.8%**

Willow: **99.2%**

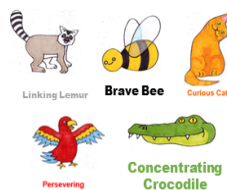
Lilac: **95%**

Less than **94.9%**

**95 to 96.4%**

**96.5 to 99.9%**

**100%**



## Learning Powers Certificate

In our Celebration Assembly today, the following children celebrated their achievements:

Maple: Thomas

Cherry: Joseph

Willow: Leo

Lilac: Brodie

Well done to all!



## Reading Reward Scheme

Thank you for your ongoing support in totting up reading minutes at home.  
This week:

Maple: 297 minutes

Cherry: 1,050 minutes

Willow: 260 minutes

**Lilac: 2,078 minutes**

Well done, Lilac!

## British Citizen Award

Reece B-L: who was a brilliant friend to his class mates and new children shown around the school.

Well done, Reece!



## Top Tips

- **Letters home:** Move to lunch booking though ParentPay
- **ParentPay:** Please ensure you have signed up to ParentPay and that your accounts are clear.
- **Clubs:** Please see details about clubs later in Newsletter
- **Lilac Class:** please remember Bikeability forms



## Diary Dates:

### March

29th: Federation Consultation Ends

### April

1st: Virtual Easter Service

1st: Forest School - Lilac Class

1st: Last Day Term 4



## Headteacher Award

We have two Headteacher Awards this week and both for our fabulous Maple Class!



**Jax:** for unbelievable progress in writing, amazing handwriting and brilliant phonics.



**Liv:** for incredible focus in reading and sharing her love of books with all her friends.

Well done, Jax and Liv!



If you need the newsletter, or any other school letter, to be in a different format, please speak with Mrs Funnell in the school office.

If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact Mrs Funnell.

### School Value and weekly reflection

Each term, we focus on a Christian Value with weekly reflection in assembly and in Class.

We would like to develop this further by asking you to discuss the reflection of the week with your child(ren) at home.

This term we are looking at Forgiveness and Hope.



## Forgiveness and Hope

### **Week 5:**

*How did Zaccheus change when he met Jesus?*

*What does the phrase 'turning over a new leaf' mean to you?*

*Have a class discussion about it and how we can 'turn over a new leaf' at school each day.*



This week, the children have

been writing prayers of Hope onto Doves and tying them to the amazing Hope structure that Mr Gray constructed for the Church. They also added stones of hope to the Easter Garden.



### Hope

The Hope structure outside of St Mary the Virgin Church, at night.



### Sports Award

Mr D's Sports Stars of the week:

**Lilly-Mae:** for excellent dismounts and brilliant balances during Gymnastics.

**Lucas W:** for great listening and brilliant controlled rolls during Gymnastics.

**Oliver:** for much improved control and passing during Football.

**Grace:** for excellent controlled rolls performed during Gymnastics.

**Well done to you all!**



### Benny

This week Benny has been encouraging children to learn key words!





## School Clubs

Following guidelines received from the DfE and updated Risk Assessments, we plan to continue all of our extra curricula clubs within school from Monday 8th March. All risks assessments will be on the school website by the beginning of next week.



**Red Butler Music** will come in on Monday and Tuesday. If you are already signed up, they will be calling you. If you would like to sign up (strings or drums), please call them: **01273 805666**



**Mr D's Mixed Football Club** (Y1-6) will start on Monday 19th April, please email the office to book: **office@st-maryhartfield.e-sussex.sch.uk**



**After School Forest School** (Reception to Y6) with Miss Munn will start on Tuesday 20th April.

To book email: **sawpitwoods@gmail.com**

**Netball Club** (KS2) with Miss Roberts will start on Wednesday 21st April.

To book, email the school office:

**office@st-maryhartfield.e-sussex.sch.uk**



**Mr D's Multi Sports Club** will return on Friday 23rd April (Y1 to Y6), please email the office if you would like a place: **office@st-maryhartfield.e-sussex.sch.uk**

**Breakfast Club** will be available from Monday 19th April and runs from 7:40am to the beginning of school each day if there are sufficient numbers signed up. Places need to be pre-booked and pre-paid through the office so please call: **01892 770221**



## Collection

Forest School Club, collection from the Farm at 5pm. All other after school clubs, collection from school 4:30pm

Please be aware that while the clubs are booked on a first come first served basis. Due to the current restrictions on numbers, we do have a waiting list for some clubs next term for those who were unable to attend this term.

We will be keeping an eye on the guidance we are sent in relation to clubs and will update our Risk assessments accordingly.

## Celebration Assembly

Every Friday morning we have our virtual Celebration assembly as a whole school! It's a brilliant opportunity to see the whole school together and lovely to see the children waving to their friends in other classes. We celebrate those who have been on Blue or the Star during the week, as well as giving out Learner of the Week, Sports Star, British Citizen and awarding the Reading Cup and Attendance Ted to the winning class. We finish each assembly with cheering a big happy birthday to those who have celebrated birthdays in the week - it's the best way to start a Friday morning.



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## Forest School Thursday 18th March - Cherry Class



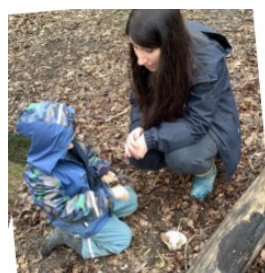
The **impact** of the Forest School experience can be seen through the skills, art and craft activities, observations and knowledge of the fruit, plants and trees in relation to the seasons and the skills involved in learning how to play Forest School games.

The weather has made the meadow walk to the woods too muddy and wet, so we took a different path. The children explained about how the water in the ditches looks orange because of the iron in the stones and rocks in the ground. "It makes the water orange!" "Look, even the leaves and plants around the water are orange!" They spotted some frogspawn in the ditches of water. "The eggs turn to tadpoles...look, there is lots more over there!" "I've got some at home, but we keep it in a big tank and keep it outside, so the tadpoles don't die" The children carefully followed a path through the woods to preserve as many bluebells as necessary. "They have no flowers, they are just leaves now." Then they had the chance to follow their own ideas and fascinations, climbing trees, balancing, swinging, investigating the stream and working together collaboratively sharing ideas and taking turns with each other.



Cherry Class also brought in their Tudor buildings which they had made at home during Term 3, linked to their topic of the 'Great Fire of London'. They spent time sharing their knowledge of how the fire started and spread in 1666 in Pudding Lane.

Then they used fire strikers to start a small fire, which we put next to the 'Bakery' and watched the fire spread as it would have done in London. It was so BRILLIANT to see their persistence in fire lighting and their joy and enthusiasm at watching their houses burn! Thanks to the brilliant



volunteers who make going to Forest School possible. The children are lucky to have access to the woods to develop their independence, resilience and

well-being, along with important immersive curriculum linked

experiences. The Forest School association are calling for all children nationally to have access to nature like we do. "We are

calling for a Nature Premium to fund regular nature experiences for every child."

Have a look at why here:

#naturepremium





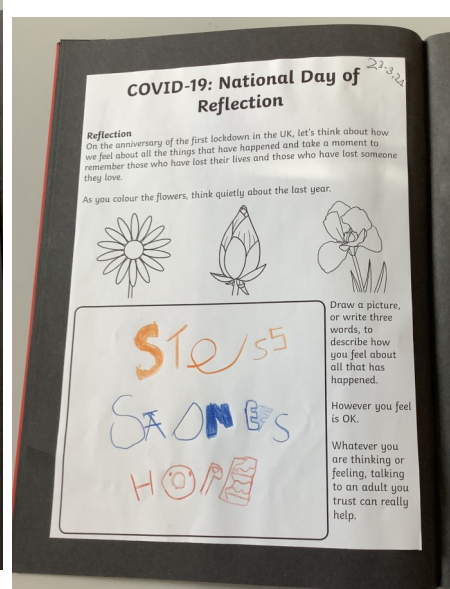
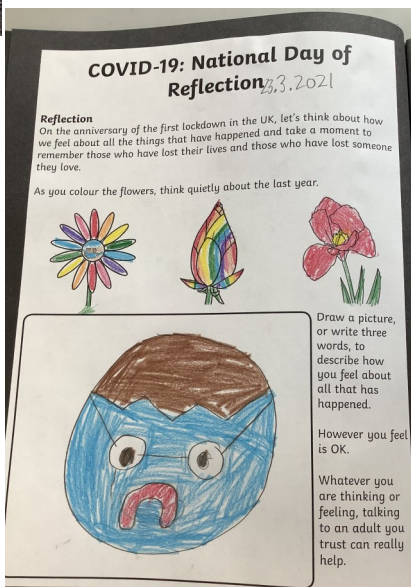
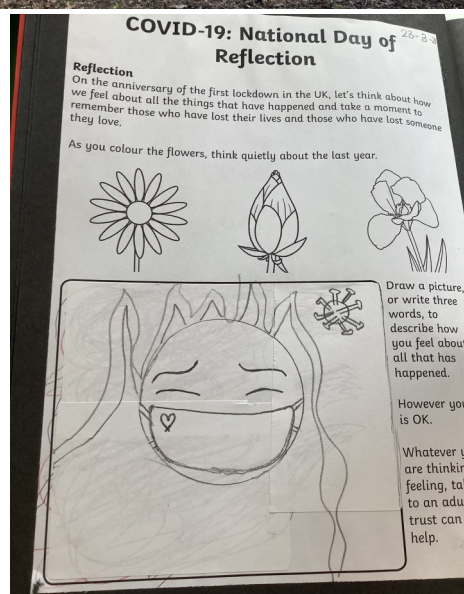
## Wellbeing



Tuesday was a National Day of Reflection marking a year since our first lockdown.

Lilac Class reflected on their past year and wrote or drew something about how it had made them feel.

At after school club, the children all found a place to do a 'sit spot' and sat alone for a few minutes to think, listen and reflect.



## Travel to Malawi

Across the schools we have now covered a fantastic 6372.54 miles in our goal to 'Travel to Malawi' and with only 228 miles to go we are going to smash our goal of reaching there by Easter.

Keep sending information of how far you have hopped, skipped, run, walked, cycled or crawled to the school office or go to:

[traveltomalawi@pioneerfederation.co.uk](mailto:traveltomalawi@pioneerfederation.co.uk)



READY, SET, GO...



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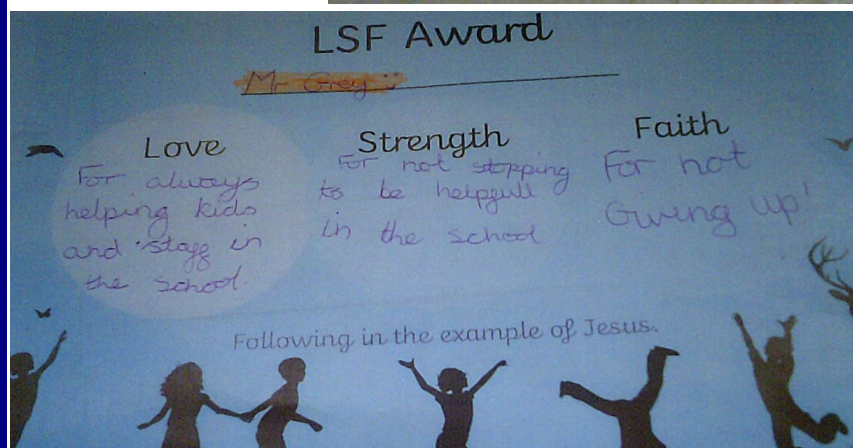
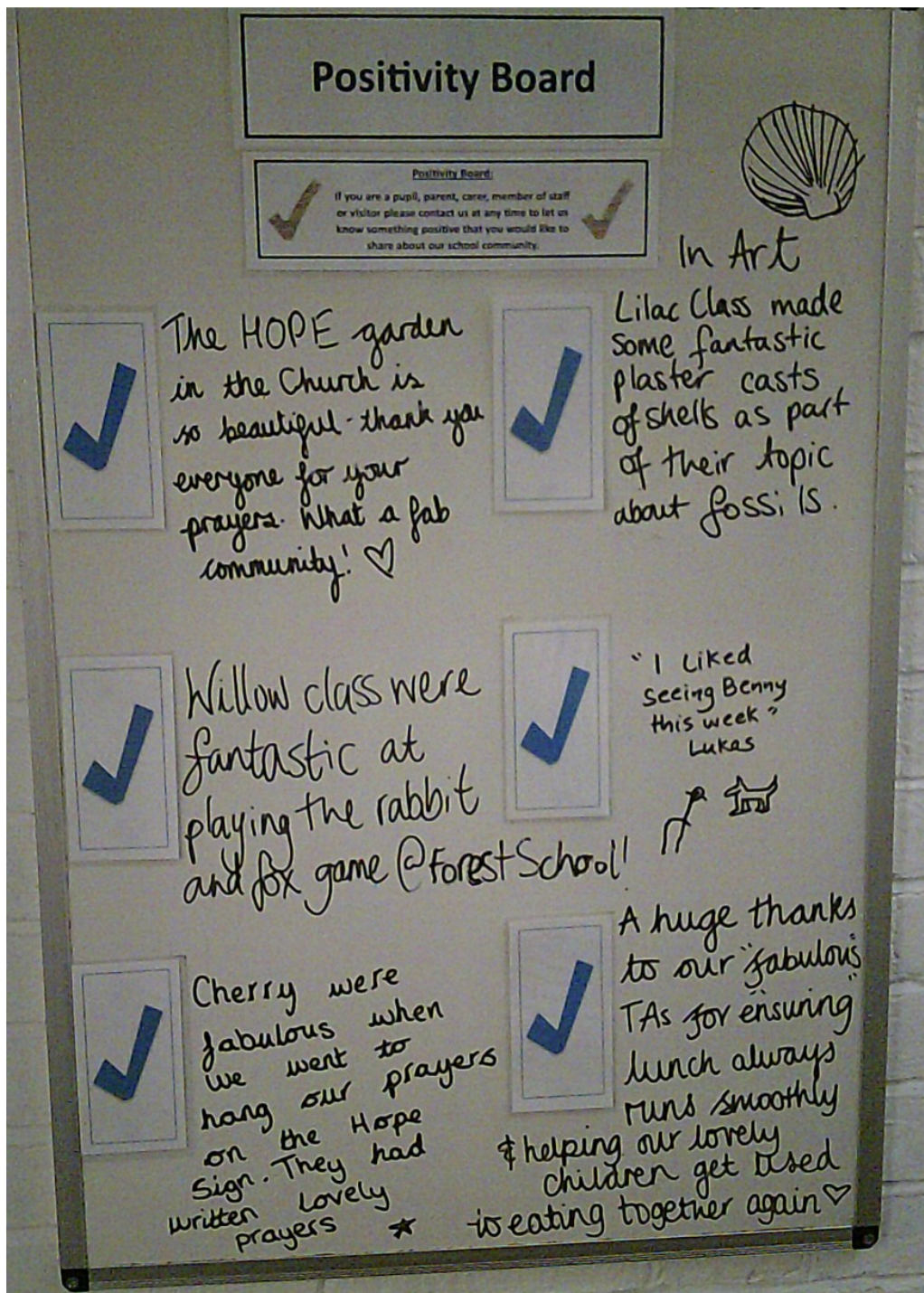


## Positivity Board

This board enables us to write positive comments, or thoughts, from parents, carers, staff, children and visitors that they would like to share with others about the school, their classes, the children or events.

Please contact us at any time to let us know something that you would like to share. In the newsletter every week, there will be a picture to share and celebrate the positivity within our school.

*We rise  
by lifting  
others*



Mr Gray was also given some positivity this week:





## Holy Week and Easter Events at St Mary's & Holy Trinity

### **28<sup>th</sup> March - Palm Sunday**

- 9.30am at St Mary's: all age service with blessing of Palm Crosses
- 11.00am at Holy Trinity: Matins with Holy Communion & blessing of Palm Crosses

### **1<sup>st</sup> April - Maundy Thursday**

- 7pm at St Mary's: service of Holy Communion around the table, music, reflections and silence.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> April - Good Friday**

*A booklet of readings/reflections and prayers will be available on the website to use in your gardens or out on your walks in the community.*

- 10.30am at St Mary's: all age service outdoors ( weather permitting) around the Easter Garden.
- 2.00pm at Holy Trinity: meditations at the foot of the cross, music and readings.

### **4<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Day**

- 8am at St Mary's: BCP Holy Communion.
- 9.30am St Mary's: all age Easter celebrations at the Easter Garden.
- 11.00am Holy Trinity: all age Easter celebrations.

The booking email address is: [Smvandhtchurchbookings@gmail.com](mailto:Smvandhtchurchbookings@gmail.com)

Please email your name, number of people attending and which church.

*Until the restrictions are lifted. Please wear a mask and we ask you to leave without gathering outside the church.*

There will also be a weekly online service and a short youth service.

Both can be found on our websites:

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

Please do phone me or email if you are worried about anything or are in any kind of need. *With love and prayers for you and your families.*

*Rev Julie*



## **St Mary's Church Hartfield & Holy Trinity Colemans Hatch wish you all a very Happy Easter**

Dear Friends,

I know lockdown has felt much harder this time round. But Spring is on its way and there are signs of hope on the horizon. I hope you will continue to pray for each other and the wider world. Pray for all who make decisions every day on our behalf. I am sure we are all very thankful for the vaccine and our NHS.

I want to thank the parishes for the amazing ways you have reached out and supported each other. I hope this love and support will continue to help build community in the months ahead. Every small act of kindness has made a huge difference.

The children and Staff of St Mary's School have been a wonderful example of hope and resilience. Thank you! I am pleased to let you know that both our churches are open for public worship. St Mary's 9.30am & Holy Trinity 11am every Sunday

**In line with the guidelines we ask you to book if you would like to attend a service. Here is the booking email address [Smvandhtchurchbookings@gmail.com](mailto:Smvandhtchurchbookings@gmail.com) Please email your name: number of people attending and which church.**

**Until the restrictions are lifted. We currently have to ask you to wear a mask to the service but we promise you a very warm welcome**

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### **Holy Week and Easter Events**

#### **St Mary's**

Sunday 28th March - **Palm Sunday**

9.30am St Mary's. All age service

11.00am Holy Trinity Matins & Holy Communion

1st April - **Maundy Thursday**

7pm at St Mary's. Service of Holy Communion around the table. Music, reflections and silence.

2nd April – **Good Friday**

10.30am St Mary's. All age service outdoors ( weather permitting) around the Easter Garden.

2.00pm Holy Trinity. Meditations at the foot of the cross. Music and readings.

4th April - **Easter Day**

8am BCP Holy Communion at St Mary's

9.30am St Mary's. All age Easter celebrations commencing at the Easter Garden.

11.00am Holy Trinity. All age Easter celebrations.

We would love to see you at any of our services.

As the restrictions lift and new guidelines are given, we hope to open up more of our activities.

### **HOPE**

There are lovely large letters in St Mary's Churchyard that spell out the word HOPE. My hope is that anyone in the villages can come with a prayer or a message of hope and place it in the plastic box in the porch. The prayers and messages will then be laminated and attached to the letters of HOPE over the coming weeks. The edges of the letters are edged with lights. I am hoping a beacon of HOPE will be seen by all who walk past.

The children are coming up from the school to attach their own prayers. There will also be an Easter Garden.

Please do phone me or email if you are worried about anything or are in any kind of need.

With love and prayers for you and your families.

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