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Term 5 Week 2

Friday 29th April 2022

Headteacher Awards

We have four Headteacher Awards this week:



Jay-J: for fantastic in maths, doubling numbers to 10 independently.



Jared: for amazing artwork depicting Toad from the Wind in the Willows.



Phoebe: for making fantastic progress in maths.



Owen: for writing an excellent formal letter to our local MP.



Well done to you all!

School Value and Weekly Reflection



Service

Each term, we focus on a Christian Value with weekly reflection in assembly and in class. This term we are looking at Service and it would be useful to discuss the reflection of the week at home. Jesus' brothers, James and John, both needed reminding of how to treat others— Jesus helped show them how to serve others before themselves. What acts of kindness could you do this week to show you are putting others before yourself? Create your own 'Acts of Kindness' grid to help your whole class think of kind things to do for others.

Reading Reward Scheme

Our Whole School Reading Reward Scheme will continue with your ongoing support required to tot up the minutes read at home and please add additional comments in the reading records if required.



Reading Records are checked each Thursday and minutes counted for the House total.

This week's results:

Rother: 2,620 minutes **Cuckmere:** 2,033 minutes

Teise: 603 minutes **Medway:** 1,898 minutes

Well Done, Rother!

Top Tips

Letters and emails home this week:

Whole School

◇ Wealdlink envelopes

Lilac Class

◇ Trip to Houses of Parliament

◇ Photo Permission

◇ Year 6 SATs

Willow Class

◇ Term 6 Staffing

Cherry Class

◇ Year 2 SATs

Maple Class

◇ Health Needs Assessment

Lost Property

Please check the lost property box (on the playground) as this will be emptied at the end of next week.

Thank you



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Sports Award

This week, our sports awards go to:

Zenny: for super fast independent changing and great focus during Athletics.

Elsie: for much improved focus, effort and participation in PE.

Noah: for excellent focus and much improved 'sprint start' technique in Athletics.

Phoebe: for excellent 'sprint start' technique in Athletics which was fluent and controlled.



Well done to you all!

Attendance

Whole school: week: 96.5%

year: 93.1%

Maple: 96.7% Willow: 99.1%

Cherry: 91.7% Lilac: 99.3%

Less than 94.9% - Red 96.5 to 99.9% - Green

95 to 96.4% - Amber 100% - Gold

Well done, Lilac Class!



Dates for your Diary

May

2nd: Early May Bank Holiday - no school

3rd: School open

5th: Forest School - Willow Class

9th-13th: Year 6 SATs

9th-13th: Year 5 Bikeability

13th: Forest School - Lilac Class

17th: FGB Meeting

19th: Forest School - Maple Class

24th: Mini Residential - Lilac Class to Lymley Wood

26th: Lilac Class return back to school

27th: PTFA Baking Competition

27th: May Fair - with PTFA refreshments (pm)

27th: Last Day of Term 5

June

6th: Inset Day

7th: Term starts - children

7th-8th: Phonics Screening

9th: Forest School - Maple Class

St Mary's Star Skills

With so many skills developing, we will choose one Star Skill each week to highlight in the Newsletter.

Chloe: showed great **leadership skills**, giving clear instructions to her team in PE.

Jared: demonstrated excellent **teamwork**, and support during a fact finding mission in Literacy.

Evalyn: revealed amazing **speaking skills** while discussing the Danakil Depression in Ethiopia with great consideration.

Bella has shown fabulous **listening skills** during circle time in RE when she listened carefully to what other children liked best at school.

Well done to you all!

Next week, we will be looking at how Thomas, Luca, Reece and Lottie develop their skills.

St Mary's Star Skills:

Listening:	This skill is about being able to receive information effectively.
Speaking:	This skill is about orally communicating ideas or information.
Problem Solving:	This skill is about using your ability to find a solution to a problem.
Creativity:	This skill is about generating new imagination and using your ideas.
Staying Positive:	This skill is about staying motivated despite setbacks.
Aiming High:	This skill is about trying hard and achieving your goal.
Leadership:	This skill is about supporting, encouraging, and developing others to achieve a shared goal.
Teamwork:	This skill is about co-operating and collaborating with others and achieving a shared goal.

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Forest School - Thursday 21st April



Maple Class set off to the farm where the woods are, in search of signs of Spring and Spring animals. They found lots of dandelions and spotted the leaves emerging on all of the trees along the Forest Way.

The children stopped at the bottom of the sandy track and got involved in making foot prints and mark making in the sandy soil in the field for a while.



We came to visit the chicks that we had hatched in the incubator last term and to see how much they had grown. The children were brilliantly confident when being around the chickens and were interested to investigate their hen house.

The sheep on the farm have just lambed and the class spent a while looking at them bouncing and baaing around the field.



"They have numbers on their back, they are blue numbers"
The children looked at the ducks on the farm pond.
"Do the chickens learn to fly?"
"They are a lot bigger, they have grown a lot"
"The brown ducks are female and the other ones are not"

Wildlife Explorers

Last week, our Wildlife Explorers completed their green hearts postcards asking important people to make sure the government kept to the promises made at the 2022 climate conference:

- less greenhouse gas
- keeping world temperatures lower



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

To: The Children in the Wildlife Explorers Club
St Mary the Virgin Church of England Primary School
c/o Mrs H Rowberry, Governor

I am writing to thank you for the green hearts you sent to The Queen.

Her Majesty was interested to hear about the Wildlife Explorers Club and The Queen was pleased to know of your concern for the natural environment and of your participation in the *Big Garden Watch*.

Your thought for Her Majesty is greatly appreciated, and I would like to thank you again for writing as you did.

Patricia Reason

Miss Patricia Reason
Assistant Correspondence Officer

28th April, 2022



Both of these are essential for us and our wonderful wildlife so it is good to learn how to get involved in things that we care about and exciting to receive replies!

St Mary's PTFA

Our lovely PTFA continue their work behind the scenes so don't forget to have the school on your **Amazon Smile** account, be signed up to 'Easy Fund Raising', add any **clothes** to our collection bin, or to join in with the **Bingo Balls!** The PTFA are always looking for helpers and new ideas for raising money for the school so don't be shy, get in touch!

Bingo Ball Winner

The bingo ball was drawn in celebration assembly on Friday 29th April with winning ball number **27**.

Congratulations to this month's £50 winner!

Mumma's Market

Thank you to all who helped raise £150 at this event.

Coming Soon:

May Fayre, Summer Social, end of year Disco.

27

Lost Property

We have a selection of (mostly un-named) items which have been placed in the Lost Property box on the playground.



Please look for any lost items over next week as this will be emptied on Friday 6th May with any unclaimed clothing going to the PTFA second hand clothing.

Thank you



Wildlife Explorers

This week our Wildlife Explorers completed two surveys, one for butterflies, the other spring flowers.

These national surveys are so important as our results are fed back to national databases which enable scientists to get evidence of how wildlife is progressing and where support is needed.

It was quite cold so the butterflies stayed well hidden but the spring flowers could be seen in abundance as we walked around the churchyard trail.



Learning objectives

- Explore nature in the local environment
- Identify and name common plants



Thank you to our leaders who did a magnificent job of keeping their teams on task.



Benny

This week, Benny has enabled us to explore the changes to the Forest Way, observe our beautiful wildlife and help with the environment by clearing 80+ items of litter while we were on our walk.



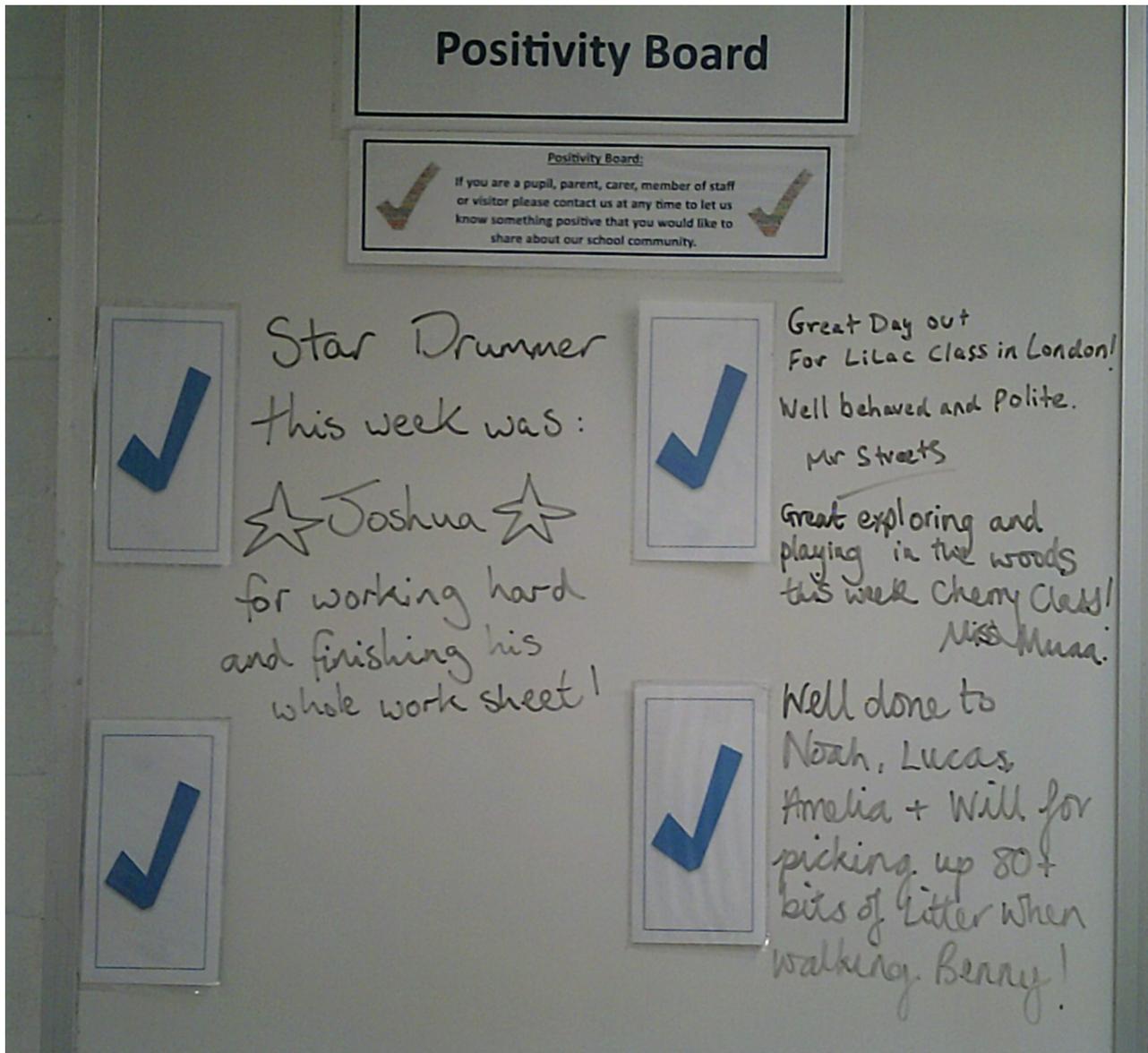
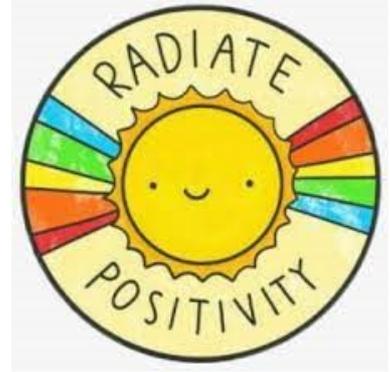
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Positivity Board

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.



Think
Positive
TALK
POSITIVE
FEEL
POSITIVE

Wellbeing Poster

To help you prepare for the Family Fun Run the wellbeing poster this week looks at 10 habits of successful athletes.

10 Habits of Successful Athletes

Here are 10 habits that will help to get you in the right mindset

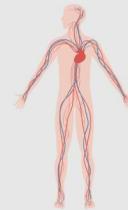
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Successful athletes are constantly developing and learning. They see their career as a journey in which they are constantly growing



They take time to apply what they have learnt

They manage their physical and mental energy effectively



They learn from their mistakes



They set goals and reflect regularly



They never give up



They are well organised and planned



They make sure they are getting the right amount of sleep



They prioritise what is important



They are creative and take risks

Opportunity

We had a representative from Wealdlink in school on Monday, sharing an assembly with the children. Wealdlink is a registered charity based in Upper Hartfield that has been operating since 2008, to provide affordable and accessible transport to groups and the outlying local villages.

They talked about the work that Wealdlink do, looked at minibus parts and ended with a rendition of 'the wheels on the bus'.

Through the week, the children have been colouring pictures of Minibuses to send back to Wealdlink and on Friday 29th April, you will find envelopes in book bags requesting 'silver coins for a new silver bus'. This is an initiative being run by the charity to raise money for a much needed new minibus.

If you are able to contribute to this valuable scheme, there will be a box in the school office until Monday 16th May for collection of envelopes.

This is a service used by the school for class trips out.

Thank you for your help.



Opportunity

The local Hartfield scout group children have been working very hard on a wonderful fundraising idea. They have decided to raise money for their group and the WWF by doing a sponsored bounce. All around the world the WWF is supporting wildlife. The charity is helping the world in its crisis and our natural habitats are under threat like never before and the scouts are very keen to help as they are very conscious about the environmental crisis in the world today.

The 'bounce' is arranged for the 14th May at 10:30 to 1p.m on the village croft, weather permitting!

If the weather does not permit it will be in the village hall.

Students will be asked to bounce and be sponsored for up to 10 minutes or sponsored per jump.

Open to all age groups, come along and be sponsored to complete a 10 minute bounce!

1st Hartfield Scouts



Support WWF and
scouting by bouncing
with us!!!



Anyone can attend just bring a sponsorship form with you.

All around the world the WWF is supporting wildlife. The charity is helping the world in its crisis and our natural habitats under threat Scouts are always looking forward to fundraising but we can't if there is no scout group! The WWF and our scout group gratefully appreciate your donations.

* It will be in the village hall if it decides to rain!



Opportunity



**‘Little Stars’
Baby and Toddler Group
St Mary’s Church Hartfield.**

St Mary’s Church welcomes you to their new baby and toddler group.

1st & 3rd Thursday’s of the month from 2.00-3.15pm.

Homemade cake, coffee and tea will be available.

Toys to play with, songs to sing and stories to hear.

A lovely way to meet together in a relaxed atmosphere.

The dates for this term in 2022 are as follows.

5th May

19th May

2nd June

Contact Jen Black on 07779586460

Or Rev Julie on 01892 770436

Or email revjuliesear1@gmail.com

We are following all Covid-19 guidance.

Opportunity

East Hoathly FPTA are organising a family fun run on Sunday 19th June. As a sister school within the Pioneer Federation they have agreed that any monies raised from entrants of St Mary's will go to our own PTFA! So if you are a newbie and want to run 1km, or a veteran able to face 10km, how about a family day out?



EAST HOATHLY FAMILY FUN RUN 2022

Sunday June 19th
East Hoathly Pavilion

1km race at 9:30am

5km and 10km races at 10am

Medal for all finishers

Refreshments including bacon butties and cakes

Bouncy castle (weather permitting)

£8 per adult 5km/10km

£5 per adult 1km

£5 per child 5km/1km

Raising funds for East Hoathly CE School
and Nursery FPTA



Registered charity no. 1089642

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East Hoathly Family Fun Run



St Mary the Virgin Church of England Primary School, Hartfield, East Sussex, TN7 4AA

Tel: 01892 770221 Email: office@st-maryhartfield.e-sussex.sch.uk Website: www.pioneerfederation.co.uk

JUNIOR FISHING DAY

Saturday 21st May 2022

**At a Local Crowborough & District Anglers Association
Club Water**

All tackle & bait are provided and the Children taught by qualified
Angling Trust Coaches assistance by CRB checked Club Members

The event is **FREE** no previous fishing experience necessary

Parent Participation Welcome

How to take part?

**Book your place by calling Roger on
01892663512 or 07817199594**

This event is sponsored by the following



**Crowborough & District
Anglers Association**

*Crowborough Town
Council*

CROWBOROUGH TACKLE



**ENVIRONMENT
AGENCY**





Child Therapy Service
Resources - Training - Support

WHAT'S ON IN MARCH?

COFFEE MORNING

SUPPORT CIRCLE

TRAINING

16TH MARCH

EVERY TUESDAY

4TH MARCH

**FOR FAMILIES OF
CHILDREN WITH A
PDA PROFILE**

**FINDING BALANCE
SUPPORT GROUP**

**IMPROVING
ATTACHMENT
THROUGH PLAY-
BASED INTERACTIONS**

24TH MARCH

**IMPLEMENTING A
PLAY-DOH THERAPY
INTERVENTION**



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