



# St Mary the Virgin Church of England Primary School

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Term 6 Week 3

Friday 24th June 2022

## Truthfulness



### School Value and Weekly Reflection

Each term, we focus on a Christian Value with weekly reflection in assembly and in class. This term, we are looking at **Truthfulness** and we share this with you weekly so you can discuss the reflection at home, if you wish. This week: We read the story of Jacob and Esau from The Old Testament and learnt how Esau's lies got him into big trouble and meant his brother missed out. Have a look at the Honesty cards and decide as a group whether they are honest or dishonest. Are there any situations that you disagree on?

## Headteacher Awards

We have two Headteacher awards for this week:



**Chloe:** for her fantastic attitude to improving and editing her work.



**Grace:** for her effort and enthusiasm across the whole curriculum.



**Well done to you both!**

## Top Tips

• Letters and emails home this week:

### Whole School

- ◇ End of Term Picnic
- ◇ Staffing for September
- ◇ School Photographs - these will be sent off on Monday if you wish to order through school



### Lilac Class

- ◇ Forest School date change
- ◇ St Bedes
- ◇ Leavers' Service

### Willow Class

- ◇ PE Dates
- ◇ Forest School date

### • ParentPay

ParentPay accounts will be worked through next week. If you have any queries, please let the school office know. If you have an outstanding balance, please resolve over the weekend.

## St Mary's Star



### Skills

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

**Jacob:** has display amazing **Positivity** throughout the week, he always has a sunny smile and is ready to keep other members of the class positive with a joke or a kind word.

**Henry:** has demonstrated excellent **Teamwork**, working well in his group to plan his Roman Soldier application.

**Elodie:** has shown excellent **Creativity**, consistently annotating her work beautifully with pictures.

**Bertie:** has worked amazingly at **Problem Solving** this week, concentrating hard to order things by size, and demonstrating how to use a ruler - a skill he learned at home!

**Well done to you all!**

Next week we will be looking at how Phoebe, Isla, Dylan and J-Jay develop their skills.

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## Attendance

Whole school: week: **94.1%**  
year: **93.5%**

Maple: **96.7%** Willow: **95.4%**

Cherry: **91.3%** Lilac: **94.8%**

**Less than 94.9% - Red**    **96.5 to 99.9% - Green**  
**95 to 96.4% - Amber**    **100% - Gold**

Every school day provides opportunities for learning, as well as social and emotional development so it is noticeable when students miss school as it impacts their progress.

**Please support us and your child to ensure that their attendance is a priority.**



## Dates for your Diary

### June

27th: Transition afternoon - all children  
30th: Y6 Leavers' Service at All Saints Church in Crowborough 1:15pm  
30th: Forest School - Willow Class

### July

4th: Transition afternoon - all children  
4th: Meet your new teacher - parents Cherry 2:45pm  
4th: Meet your new teacher - parents Willow 3pm  
4th: Meet your new teacher - parents Lilac 3:15pm  
5th: Governors' Meeting  
8th: Sports Day  
8th: PTFA Summer Social  
11th: Dogs Trust Workshops - whole school  
12th: End of Summer Production - 2pm Lilac Class  
12th: End of Summer Production - 6pm Lilac Class  
15th: Sports Day 'back up'  
15th: Summer Social 'back up'  
15th: Reports  
19th: Report Queries - 3:15pm, appointments to be made through school office  
20th: Leavers' Service - Church 11am  
20th: Last Day School for pupils  
20th: PTFA Disco  
21st: Inset Day

## Reading Reward Scheme

Our Whole School Reading Reward Scheme continues 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:** 627 minutes    **Cuckmere:** 766 minutes  
**Teise:** 792 minutes    **Medway:** 328 minutes

**Well Done, Teise!**



## Sports Award

This week, our Sports Awards go to:

**Lois:** for excellent listening and following instructions during Sports Day practice!

**Jacob:** for great focus and determination during Sports Day practice!

**Isla:** for much improvement and control in Sprint Start technique!

**Megan:** for excellent balance, co-ordination and control during Gymnastics

**Well done to you all!**



### September

1st: Inset Day  
2nd: Inset Day  
5th: Start of term for pupils Y1 - Y6  
5th: EYFS home visits  
6th: EYFS home visits  
7th: Maple Class - 8:40am - 12.00pm  
7th: Maple Class - 8:40am - 12.00pm  
7th: Maple Class - 8:40am - 1.00pm (including lunch)  
12th: Maple Class - full time

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## **Forest Row Fire Station - Maple Class - Friday 17th June 2022**

Maple Class started their visit to Forest Row Fire Station with a fantastic tour of the building and learned all about the different jobs a firefighter does.

The class asked lots of brilliant questions to the firefighters, such as:

*“How do you know where to go to put out a fire?”*

*“Do women work as firefighters?”*

*“How long is the hose?”*



The children each had a go at putting on the Fire fighters protective clothing, exploring the fire truck and spraying the hose at the training tower.

They learned lots of things about why it is important to wear protective clothing, how long the ladders are, how to climb up into a fire truck, what a fire alarm sounds like, how the fireman find a water source and lots, lots more!



The children then waited at the bus stop for the 291 bus to Tunbridge Wells. They spotted the bus stop sign and the 'H' sign which shows a water source.



When we got off the bus, we walked through Hartfield village to Pooh Corner and had a look at the 'Poohseum'. There was lots of interest and discussion about the toys and photographs all about Winnie the Pooh and his friends.



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## Celebrations



Isaac has been awarded his 10m swimming badge.

Well done, Isaac!

Nicco spent his lunch time assembling some very tricky Lego structures.



Joshua is celebrating a new puppy, although his mum now has some concerns for the footwear!



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## Wildlife Explorers

Congratulations to all our Wildlife Explorer young leaders who have shown super caring and organising skills in our club. Last week, they each took a team around the churchyard trail to identify pollinators and help members understand why pollinators are so important for all the plants around us. Mrs Rowberry and Mrs Funnell were delighted with their safe approach to outdoor exploration.



This week, the young leaders were very helpful as we looked at using wildflowers and fruits. Everyone made an aromatic pot pourri sachet filled with dried plant parts that had been oven dried. These are great fun to make and wonderful to freshen clothes drawers and stop moth attacks!

If you would like to try this at home:

### **Oven Drying Flowers**

#### Ingredients

- Flower heads. Pick no more than can fit in your oven to avoid wilting. As the oven drying process occurs so quickly it is possible to dry multiple batches during a single day.
- Baking Sheet
- Drying rack optional but recommended to increase air flow if drying thick or large flowers.

#### Instructions

Set oven on the lowest setting available (50°C is good).

Place the flower heads onto the baking sheet, spreading them out so they do not touch. If using drying racks, place them onto the baking sheet first.

Set the time for at least 1 hour, but up to 1.5 hours if preserving a lot of flowers on multiple trays. It may take up to 2 hours to dry the flower heads if they large or thick.

Check on the flowers about every 30 minutes to avoid over-drying them or scorching.

Remove the flowers from the oven, and allow them to air dry to room temperature before filling and tying material around them for the pot pourri sachets.

## Pollinators

Bumblebees



Honeybee and solitary bees



Hoverflies and other flies



Beetles



Butterflies and moths



Wasps



## Opportunity

[Open for Parents](#) recognises that being 'being a parent is not always easy' and offer support with a variety of online courses, each with specific tips on how to deal with the most common behaviour problems; best of all, these evidence-based methods have already been successful in supporting families worldwide through times of crisis.

Parents and carers can access as much or as little as they like, and just small changes could make a big difference!



## Open for parents

Being a parent is not always easy. You are not alone if you find it difficult sometimes. But it's OK. You can talk to us.

If you live in East Sussex and you're worried about managing your child's behaviour, supporting their development or their emotional wellbeing or you want support and advice to help build a positive relationship with your child, we can help.



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## St Mary 's PTFA

### Upcoming Events

8th July: Summer Social (back up 15th July)

20th July: End of school disco

St Mary's



The PTFA at St Mary's works throughout the year to raise money for all children within the school but they are having difficulties at the moment with volunteer help.

Without joining the PTFA, you can still be a huge support when events are coming up, such as the preparations for the Summer Social.

### What is needed?

#### Teddies

- \* We need more teddies for the tombola. Please could these be left in the prayer hut, deadline Monday 4th.



#### Bottles

- \* Thursday 7th July will be a non-school uniform day, please bring bottles instead of cash donations for our bottle tombola.



#### Volunteers

- \* From 11:30am on Friday 8th July, we need help to set up the stalls and gazebos.
- \* From 1:30pm on Friday 8th July, we need help to run the stalls.



If you can help, please contact a member of the PTFA or the school office for further information.

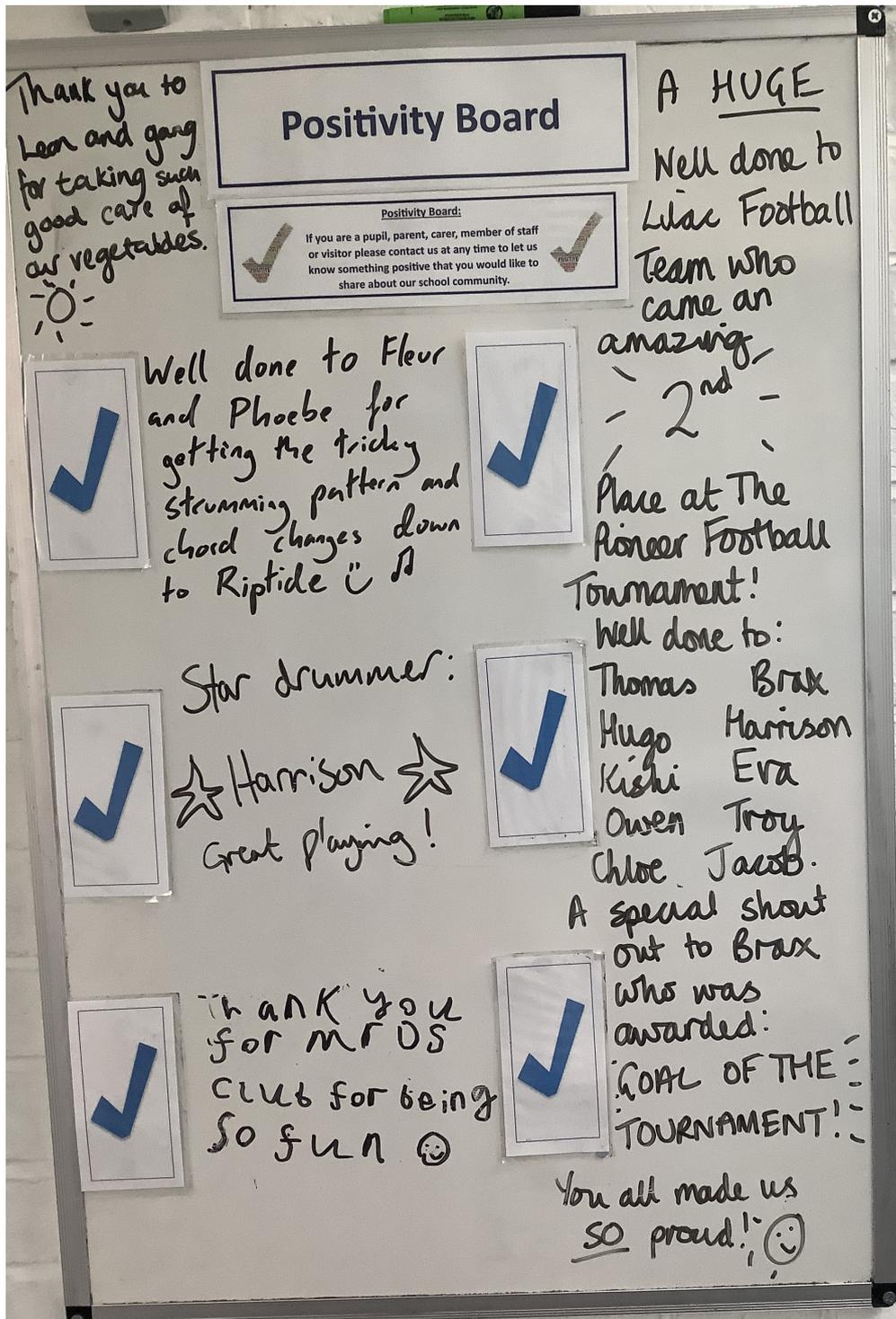
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## Positivity Board

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.

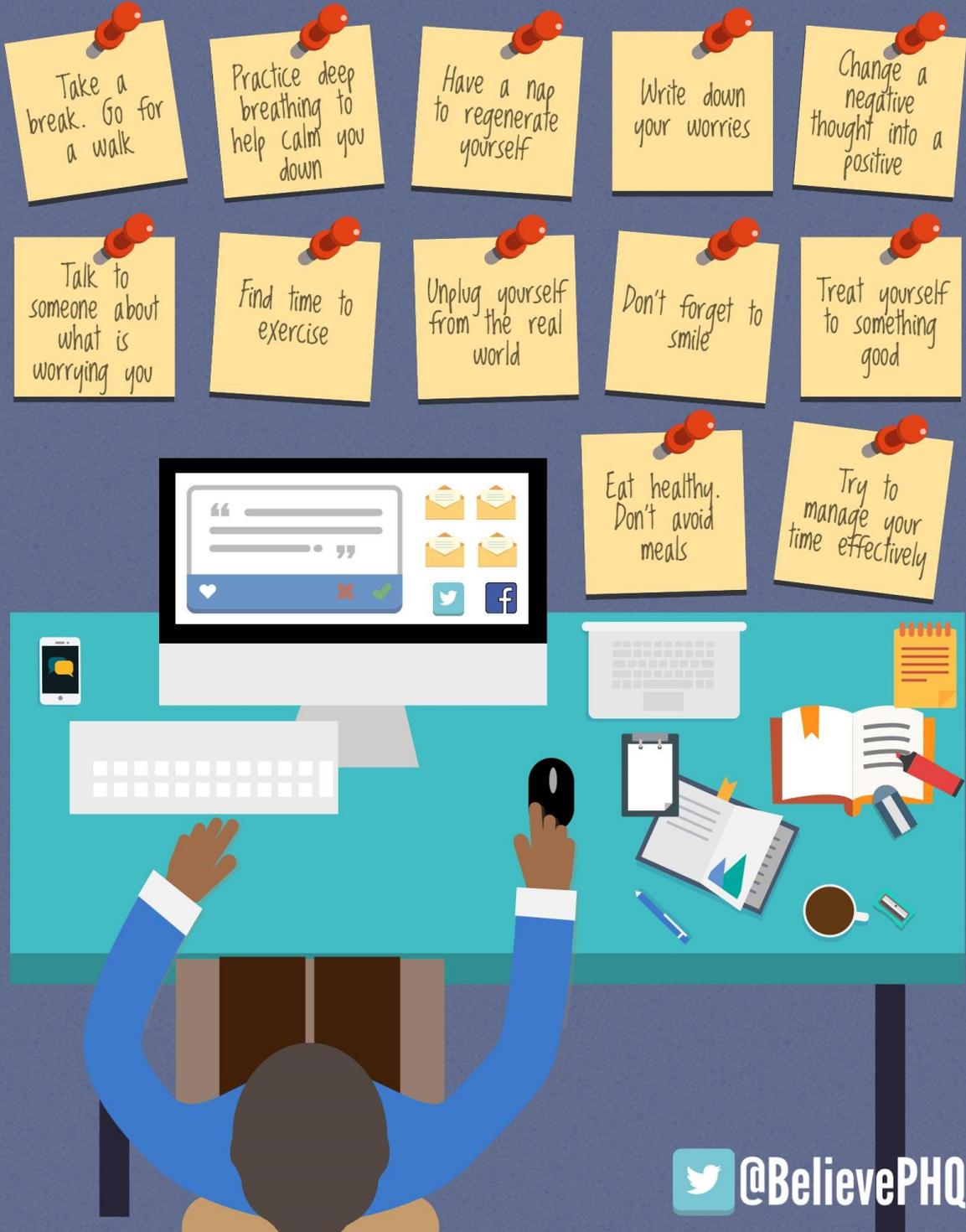
Please contact us at any time to let us know something that you would like to share. In the newsletter every week, there will be a picture to share and celebrate the positivity within our school.



## Wellbeing Poster

This week, our wellbeing poster looks at 12 ways to de-stress.

# 12 WAYS TO DE-STRESS



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## East Hoathly Fun Run

A fabulous day was had by all as staff runners braved the heat to make it around the track.



If you were hoping to donate to this venture, please go to: [https://www.gofundme.com/f/raise-money-for-east-hoathly-nursery?utm\\_source=customer&utm\\_medium=copy\\_link&utm\\_campaign=p\\_cf+share-flow-1](https://www.gofundme.com/f/raise-money-for-east-hoathly-nursery?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1)

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## **End of Term Picnic Lunch**

Letters have been sent home this week to sign up for our end of term picnic. Please return your slip by Monday 27th June.

**Wednesday  
20<sup>th</sup> July  
PICNIC LUNCH**



**Chartwells**  
So much more than Fantastic Food

KS1 - Free

KS2 - £2.20

### **MAINS**

Ham Sandwich

or

Cheese Sandwich (v)

Both served with a  
Pizza whirl, carrot and cucumber sticks

### **DESSERTS**

Crunchy Chocolate Biscuit

or

Fresh Fruit



**DON'T FORGET! SCHOOL MEALS ARE FREE FOR ALL PUPILS  
IN RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2.**

**PLEASE SPEAK TO YOUR SCHOOL FOR MORE INFORMATION  
SIGN UP TODAY!**

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**Opportunity**



**GLOW IN THE DARK MINI GOLF!**

12 holes of space themed family fun

**PLANET GOLF**

20 The Waterfront, Eastbourne, B

This collage features a child in a visor, a glowing astronaut figure, and a green ring-shaped obstacle. The background is dark with star patterns.

The course was very well laid out, holes are challenging enough to make it a good game. Wall art was amazing as were the decorations, music added to the atmosphere. We will be back so I can win next time.  
- Teresa N



**Opening Hours**  
Monday - Sunday  
11am - 6pm



**PLANET GOLF**

01323 479889

This collage shows two children in a dark space-themed environment with glowing elements. The Planet Golf logo is at the bottom.

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