



St Mark's CE Primary School

Newsletter 3

Autumn Term
11th October 2024

Diary Dates

13th Oct	Laurel Class
16th Oct	To Windmill Hill Residential
21st Oct	Dogs Trust Visiting Parents Evening FOSM AGM
22nd Oct	Harvest Festival
24th Oct	Parents Evening
25th Oct	INSET Day
28th Oct	Half Term
1st Nov	Children Return to School
4th Nov	NEARS Cross Country
6th Nov	Dolphin Get Active Year 3 & 4
12th Nov	NEARS Football Year 4, 5 & 6
14th Nov	Flu Vaccination
15th Nov	Laurel Trip To Battle Abbey
18th Nov	Sports Hall Athletics 3 & 4
21st Nov	Basketball Festival Year 5 & 6
11th Dec	Pantomime
17th Dec	Christingle Service
20th Dec	End of Term
6th Jan	INSET Day
7th Jan	Children Return to School



Don't forget there is an INSET day on Friday 25th October

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Parents/carers consultations

This term's parents/carers consultations will be on Monday 21st and Thursday 24th October. Please book via Bromcom if you haven't already. Slots are also available to book an appointment with our SENDCO, Miss Button if your child has additional needs.

Worship Spot—Light Party—31st October 2-4pm

This is an event for families with primary school-aged children. The light party will be a mix of games, music and a creative lego task with lots of fun for everyone. All are welcome. For more information please contact philhawkstey@westwealdparish.org.uk or the Church office on 01444 400221

Staplefield Bonfire Night—6th November

We will be soon selling tickets for the Bonfire night on the 6th November from the school office.

Wellbeing Champions

We have 9 trained Wellbeing Champions who support their peers in running wellbeing activities at breaktimes and checking in on children.

We will be featuring a Wellbeing champion's point of view in each newsletter.

This week it's Florence in Y6:

Fun Fact: I'm a citizen of both Australia and the UK. I volunteered for Wellbeing Champion because I love helping people; I am very supportive of other people and I wanted to help other people's wellbeing. My role as a Wellbeing Champion is to go around the classroom to check the zones of regulation, talk to children in their in they're in the blue, red or yellow zone to support them. My aims and goals for the future as a Wellbeing Champion are: To help everyone feel like there are people all around the school to talk to no matter how old or young, also to help them have a healthy, kind and calm mindset.



Child starting school next year?

If your child will be 4 years old by 1st September 2025, it's time to start applying for school places! Please tell your friends and family to get in touch for a personal tour if they have children starting next year. To apply and for more information, visit this link: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-places/apply/starting-school-places/>

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FOSM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Join the FOSM Committee at our AGM to find out more about our fundraising plans for this year and how you can get involved

Monday 21st October, | 8:15PM
2024

Online - Zoom Link To Be Circulated

Safeguarding Spot: Mental Health Awareness

Yesterday, we had a lovely time dressing up in yellow or brightly coloured schools to celebrate Mental Health Awareness day. We raised a fantastic £138 for YoungMinds, an amazing charity that supports young people and parents with mental health needs. They have a great parent information page here including a parent helpline you can contact for support and advice: <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/>



Year 5 Tag Rugby

Groups of Year 5 boys and girls attended a great tag rugby festival yesterday at Haywards Heath Rugby club and had a brilliant time. They were amazing representations of the school and did really well in their matches!



Lost Property

We seem to be collecting a lot of Lost Property. As of Friday 8th November, on a weekly basis. We will be placing a table out in the playground with all lost property on it.

Can parents please check as we will be only keeping the items for a 2 weeks and then disposing of items not collected. We are small school and limited on space and we do not have the space to store all items. **Can parents please label their child's clothes with their name on it especially if they inherit the items from an ex-pupil.**

Praise Postcards

The following children have received praise postcards in the last couple of weeks:

Georgia Bentley, Connor Boakes, Josph Bookes, Axel Booth, Georgina Bostock, Samuel Bostock, Betrice Brewer, Matej Bukovsky, Florence Copley-Williams, Billy Coulton, Barnaby Gaynor, Florence Gaynor, Harper Green, Isabella Hartfield, Oliver Hobden, Eli Hocken, Aiden Khazanehdari, Freya Kidd, Vinnie Koureas, Scott Langridge, Jaycee Lee-Ansell, Suki Moore, Daisy Payne, Lily-Mae Payne, Rex Ponsford, Phoebe Ramsden, Lilah Rowberry, Tommy Southon, Teddy Stillwell, Gaia Tackie, Maia Taylor, Edward Walker, Diezel Wheble, Star Wheble, Reeve Young

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