



Value of the month – Forgiveness

Dear Parents and Carers

This week has been a very busy one, catching up after the snow and with lots of events and activities happening in school. The children settled very well, getting back into learning mode quickly. They have had an enjoyable week.

At our special junior assembly on Monday we listened to the speeches of the **Year 6** finalists for Head Boy and Girl. Voting has taken place and announcements of the new Head Boy and Head Girl will be made on Monday, along with the Year 6 roles and monitors.

Congratulations to the **Year 5** children who went to visit **Metrobank** in Croydon this week. The Bank were very impressed with our children and rang to let us know how impressed they were with the children's behaviour. Well done on being such fantastic ambassadors for our school. Thank you too to the Metrobank outreach team who have been working in class with the children, as part of our PSHE curriculum, to help them become more money aware.

Well done to the **Eco Team** who went on an Eco Litter Pick around the school grounds on Tuesday – it is much tidier! Thank you to Mrs McCutcheon and her Eco team who are encouraging us to be more eco-friendly around the school.

Year 5 had their trip to the **Winchester Planetarium** on Wednesday, where they learned more about the planets and stars as part of their science topic. Again, we were complimented on the behaviour of our enthusiastic and well behaved children.

On Thursday all the children were inspired to be scientists through the **Blast Science** show. The 'scientist' showed them many exciting experiments and demonstrations, based around gravity. Jessica in Year 5 was very brave and sat on the throne of nails! The children learned about why it didn't hurt! All the children were enthused by the experience and they are excited for next week – our science week. Don't forget to come in to the hall and have a look at the science investigations showcase next Thursday afternoon - 3:15 to 3:45.

We ended this week with **Year 3s** having a great history topic learning experience during their **Egyptian Day**. We loved all their amazing costumes and they had a great time learning through the workshop in the hall! Do look out for the display of their Egyptian masks that are going on display – they are superb!

Thank you to Mrs Fawcett, Moyna from Oxted and their Year 6 'helpers' for organising the Fairtrade sale of Mother's Day gifts – it was a very, very, busy sale. So, to all the Mums – enjoy your gifts and have a lovely Mother's Day!

Best wishes,
Mrs Wheeler

Year 6 PSHCE Lessons

As a way of encouraging pupils to self-regulate their own behaviour, our pupils revisited good manners and good behaviour last Tuesday afternoon. Every class in the school welcomed a group of Year 6 pupils who taught the lesson! The children listened carefully to their lesson and then worked together on various activities, from role-play to inventing memorable slogans! Our aim is to get the pupils to remember their manners at all times, and to "keep left, keep calm, keep quiet", especially when moving around the school. It was a fun afternoon, quite eye-opening for our Year 6 pupils, who discovered that teaching isn't quite as easy as it looks, and was certainly enjoyed by all!

Purley and Coulsdon Festival

It is with great excitement that we once again are taking part in this Festival on Saturday 24th March. We have four choirs taking part: Infant Choir, Yr3/4 Choir, Yr5/6 Choir and our Songs of Praise Choir. We wish them all well, and hope they thoroughly enjoy the experience! Should you wish to attend, the Festival is being held at 9am at the Sanderstead United Reformed Church, CR2 0HB.

Planning/building expertise needed

Is there anyone out there that can help with planning, costing and/or building advice for a large new storage facility to be built adjoining the end of Centenary Hall for use by 5th Caterham Scout Group? Professional architect plans have been drawn up and we now need help making these become a reality. If you/someone else you know can help, please contact Mel Flaherty at secretary5thcaterham@outlook.com or 07736 070455.

Fairtrade Fortnight

Last week started off with an excellent assembly led by some Yr6 pupils who explained to the whole school the importance of supporting Fairtrade farmers. In terms of following Jesus' footsteps, the children realised that being thoughtful of others and trying to help them is something we should all strive to do. Our pupils understand how the extra amount that Fairtrade farmers earn when we purchase their products, helps them to educate their children and to be able to afford medicine should their families get ill. Fairtrade Fortnight ends today with our Fairtrade Mothers' Day Gifts Sale. All pupils will have had the opportunity to purchase a Fairtrade gift for their Mum.

Lunch Money

The amounts due for the Spring Term are as follows:

Weekly - £11.25

Second half term - £63.00

Payment can be made online via Tucasi.

Diary Dates

March		
Tuesday	13 th	9:15 Y3 Egyptians Assembly for Parents 9:30-12:00 Prospero Theatre Mindfulness – Year 5's After school: Cross Country Cup - Warlingham
Monday	19 th	World Book Day – Dress-up as a book character Travelling Book Sale – details to follow
Thursday	15 th	3:15 to 3:45 Science Week Showcase - Parents are invited to view the showcase.
Friday	16 th	Y4 Roman Workshop Day
Tuesday	20 th	Y4/5 Football Rally Book Fayre 3.30 – 4.00pm
Wednesday	21 st	Downs Syndrome Awareness Day: Head Boy's Choice for a Charity Collection. Children to wear odd socks and may come to school with their faces painted – Suggested donation £1, which will go to the charity. Book Fayre 3.30 – 4.00pm
Thursday	22 nd	9.20am Y4 Assembly to Parents - Alteration Book Fayre 3.30 – 4.00pm
Friday	23 rd	Pilgrim's Progress by The Oddments Theatre – Yrs 4, 5 & 6 Book Fayre 3.30 – 4.00pm
Saturday	24 th	Purley & Coulsdon Festival
Monday	26 th	Palm Liturgy Assembly. Parents welcome. YR to Y5 Parents Evenings
Tuesday	27 th	YR to Y5 Parents Evenings
Thursday	29 th	9:30 Stations of the Cross. 1pm School Closes

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Caterham Carnival Ball 2018

Surrey National Golf Club

Friday 27th April 2018

Rook Lane, Chaldon, Surrey CR3 5AA

1930-0030 hrs

80's Theme Black Tie Ball (Fancy Dress Welcome)

3 Course Meal

£45.00 pp

Magician

Entertainment

Photographer

For tickets please contact Hayleigh:
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Teacher Training via our Paradigm Teaching School Alliance

If you or any family member are interested in Teacher Training via our Paradigm Teaching School Alliance, please **speak to the Office and ask for the Flyer** that gives the information on how to apply.

Time is spent training at St Mary's Catholic College in Twickenham and placements are always in one of our seven Deanery Primary Schools and one Secondary School.

Mrs Wheeler is also happy to talk about the programme if you have queries.

