



Value of the month – Forgiveness

Dear Parents and Carers

Our **Science Week** has been a great success. The children were enthused and excited, and really enjoyed 'show-casing' their investigations and learning on Thursday. We do hope that all the parents who came in to have a look enjoyed seeing the displayed work. Well done and 'thank you' to Ms Barton, and all the Staff, for their hard work in making it such a success. A special thanks too for our Office Staff – especially Mrs Brown, who, in the background organised and ordered and shopped for the resources.

It has been a busy week for **Class assemblies**, with **Y3** showing parents their Egyptian topic learning and **Reception** holding a Mother's Day Assembly. Thank you to all the parents who came.

Today has been an exciting day for Year 4 with their Roman workshop. It has been wonderful to see them all dressed up and having fun learning. I am sure that they will tell you all about it this evening!

Good Luck to our Palmer Drama performers who are taking part in the Coulsdon Drama Festival tomorrow. We look forward to hearing how you all got on next week.

Thank you to Father Sean and Father Simon, who continue to support us in school on Fridays. Father Sean has been in to Year 3 today talking about their RE topic – Giving – and answering the children's questions.

Finally, for those of you who celebrate it – a very Happy St Patricks Day tomorrow. The children may, if they wish to, bring their shamrocks and fun hats to show their classes next Monday.

Best wishes for a peaceful weekend. Let us hope that the snow stays away!

Mrs Wheeler

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Global Earth Hour

WWF's Earth Hour is an annual celebration where people switch off their lights for one hour to show they care about the future of our planet. This year's celebrations will be on:

Saturday 24th March from 8.30pm to 9.30pm.

To take part, all you need to do is sign up and switch off your lights for that one hour. It's a symbolic lights out display with a big message – we want to protect the future of our planet!

To find out more about Earth Hour visit <http://earthhour.wwf.org.uk/>

Reminder to Parents

Parents are reminded that **all** emails sent to school must be sent via office@stfrancis.surrey.sch.uk **only**.

If you are sending an email for the attention of a particular member of staff, please indicate this in the subject bar.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

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.

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.

Kingswood

Final payments are due by Monday 16th April at the latest. Reminders have been sent out individually to any child with an outstanding balance. If you have any difficulties paying online, please contact the school office urgently. Thank you.



Congratulations to our new Prefects

Headboy & Headgirl

Harry & Lily

House Captains

Margaret Clitheroe

Aimee & Ryan

John Fisher

Eavie & Joe

Anne Line

Grace & Isaac

Thomas More

Julia & Benicio



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.

Diary Dates

| March | | |
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| 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. 3.30pm, Cake sale 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 |