

St Faithian

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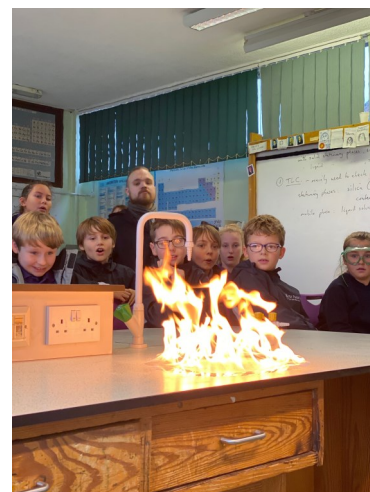
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Eggs, Explosions and Exercise at Kent College

It was a fun-packed day for a large group of our Year 6 children who visited Kent College for a 'Key Stage 3 experience' on Tuesday. Their visit began on the farm, where pony grooming, rabbit handling and egg hunting were on the agenda. After a thorough hand wash and a delicious snack they ventured to the chemistry lab where our enthusiastic scientists carried out a variety of explosive experiments in the quest to find the most reactive element. Design Technology and Food Science were next and each participant constructed a beautiful laser cut Christmas candle box and decorated four cupcakes with intricate face designs.

After lunch, our pupils took part in an interactive German lesson and, armed with their new vocabulary, the children designed monsters and labelled their features. Lastly they enjoyed a game of bench-ball in the gym. A delicious tea was then served in 1885 Cafe while we watched a slideshow of our wonderful day. As ever, our pupils were excellent ambassadors for St Faith's participating fully in all the activities with great enthusiasm.

We thank Kent College for their kind hospitality and this valuable insight into secondary school life.



Friends of St Faith's

Thank you to all those who have, so far, brought in donations for the tombola and raffle.

We still have some jobs available on the day of the Christmas Fair, so if you are free to help out please get in touch.

With the help of you wonderful parents we have been able to make more investments for the children. I'm sure you've heard about all the new playground toys. The children now have new bats and balls, skipping ropes, balance boards and the space hoppers seem to be a big hit! Without the help from you, the children wouldn't be benefiting from such wonderful toys to play with at break times.



Vicky, Alison & Zoe
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Head's Corner

This week we had the pleasure of giving a tour of the school to an ex-parent who will be returning with his younger son starting in Nursery next year. He was clearly delighted to be back and commented on the warmth that pervades every classroom and the work ethic and, excellent behavior displayed by the children.

I am always so proud of our children and many of you will be too with reports out to you on Monday as well as Parent Teacher Interviews to follow.



Sport Report

Friday 22 November

U11 Mixed Touch Rugby v Cartwright and Kelsey



Today a selection of girls and boys from both schools game together to play a friendly game of touch Rugby at St Faith's. With England losing in the World Cup final a distant memory, the children were really enthusiastic to play. The match was played in a great spirit from both teams and although a score was not kept, there were plenty of excellent tries scored. The passing, forward running and support play really developed as the match went on and they worked really well as a team. Rugby was the winner today as all the children really enjoyed the friendly environment the match was played in. Well done to all involved!

Wednesday 27 November

U11 Girls Football v Wingham Primary - Cancelled due to waterlogged pitch

Thursday 28 November

U9AB Girls Hockey v St Lawrence College - Cancelled due to waterlogged pitch

All sports fixtures are now complete for 2019. This term, there have been 39 individual matches along with 6 tournaments taken place between the U9 and U11 age groups. There has also been House Football, Rugby and Cross Country this term for all children from Year 2 upwards to take part in. After the Christmas break the boys have Hockey matches and the girls start their Netball matches. They also have the ever-popular Dance module to look forward to as well as dodgeball matches.

Music Report



It was another busy week full of the joy of music. Preparations are well underway for all the Christmas Festivities. Lots more for you to catch up on and read about in our music report on the website: www.stfaithsprep.com



Do you know Americans celebrate Thanksgiving on the 4th Thursday of November every year?



Year 2 and Reception do. They celebrated Thanksgiving by thinking about all the things that they are thankful for. One of our parents, Mrs Evans, who happens to be American, came in to share her Thanksgiving day with us. She told us about the pilgrims who went to the new land of America many years ago. She gave out candy-cane for the children to share at home, and made cone turkeys with the children. Turkey is traditionally eaten at Thanksgiving as it is a time when families get together to celebrate the festival. Did you know that the Americans have celebrated Thanksgiving since the time of President Lincoln! He made it a national day of celebration and lots of people have the day off work. Year 2 and Reception would like to say a sincere thank you to Mrs Evans. This was another learning opportunity for our

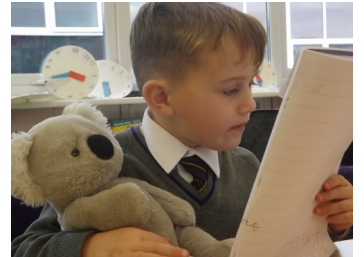


Global Citizens here at our happy multi-cultural school .

Year 1 Christmas Poems



Year 1 have worked extremely hard this week writing their own Christmas Poems as part of our poetry unit. They are very excited to perform them as part of our Christmas show in December. The children were very careful to use rhyme, repetition and description to make their poems fabulous! They then enjoyed reading the poems aloud to teddies to begin practising for the show! We are so proud of them for their brilliant writing. Keep up the hard work!



Reception get ready for Christmas



In the run up to the end of term, Reception have been busy undertaking rehearsals for their Christmas Show. However, we have still been engaging in creative learning. As part of our phonics sessions the children practised saying the 'y' sound whilst using a yo-yo! This was quite a challenge and we needed some help; so decided to call on our friends in Year 5. With collaboration, determination and patience we continued mastering this skill during outdoor playtime.

Thank you Year 5 for taking the time to help us reach our goals.



Week Commencing 2 December

Monday Reports emailed to Parents

Tuesday

8.30am Pilates
8.30am Second hand uniform shop open
2.20pm Upper Nursery Nativity play (gates open at 2.00pm)

Wednesday

8.40am Class 3B Assembly
9.00am Flu Immunisations Yr R-6
2.00pm Reception visit to Highview Oast Nursing Home
2.20pm Lower Nursery Nativity play (gates open at 2.00pm)
3.20pm Parents Evening 1 (lower school from 3.20)

Thursday

3.00pm Second hand uniform shop open
3.20pm Parents Evening 2 (lower school from 3.20)

Friday

10.00am Tiny Toots

Head Boy & Girl's Teaser!

You have me for dinner but never eat me
What am I?



Last week's answer: A clock

Deputy Head Boy & Girl's Teaser!

What belongs to you but others use it more than you



Last week's answer: a person

THE ROYAL BRITISH
LEGION



Poppy Appeal

Well done team St Faith's! We raised a phenomenal £337.45 towards a total of £1000 from all schools in the area. As said in a letter of thanks from the Poppy Appeal Organisers, "an amazing effort".



Congratulations to this boy who won 2nd prize in the Martha Trust Christmas colouring competition. This was judged by the Mayor & Mayoress of Sandwich who were very impressed with his dark starry sky.

Clubs & Hobbies

Week Commencing	02.12.19
Monday	
Art Club Yr 2-6	YES
Gym Upper Nursery upwards	YES
Music (During School hours)	YES
Tennis	YES
Tuesday	
Chess Yr 2-6	YES
Dance Pixies & Fairies Ballet up to Yr 1	NO
Drama Upper School Yr 2-6	YES
French Yr 3,4 &5	YES
LAMDA (During school hours)	YES
Music (During School hours)	YES
Wednesday	
Ballet Prep & Primary Yr 2 upwards	NO
Dance Ballet & Jazz Yr 2 upwards	NO
Fencing Yr 2-6 (8.00am - 8.45am)	NO
Music (During School hours)	YES
Netball Yr 3 - 6	NO
Thursday	
Badminton Yr 3 - 6 (second half of term only)	NO
Computers Yr 4-6	NO
Cooking club Yr 3 - 6	NO
Music (During School hours)	YES
Musical Theatre	NO
Friday	
Dodge Ball Yr 2 - 6 (second half term only)	NO
Music (During School hours)	YES

READING SHELVES

Zara Van Ritbergen, Sonny Smith, April Snow

ACCELERATED READERS

First Target

Edward Ridings, Julie Oprchal, Gurveena Dhaliwal, Alex Wynn, Anna Woodhead, Noah McCann, Ivy Ward, Edward Dove, Jasper Rae, Freya Ralph, Austin Smith, Thomas Solley, George Overy, Timothy Lewis, Jessica Hurst, Lucy Harrop, Willa Bradley, Teddy Law, Charlie Farquhar

Second Target

Edward Ridings, Caspian Finlay, Freddie Heffer

Word Millionaire

Anaïs Andrews

The Book Corner

A reminder for any parents wishing to donate books... Please bring them in to Mrs Allen's classroom between 8.00-8.30am. These will either be added to the library or sold in the weekly book sale. All proceeds from the book sales are being used to buy brand new books for the St Faith's library.

Also please remember to collect book tokens from The Sun newspaper. If we collect enough, these can be exchanged for a bundle of books worth £600!

STAR OF THE WEEK

RR	Dorothy Stead	For fantastic Phonics and reading this week
RB	John Lapworth	For using his initiative and stepping up his learning
1CP	Fred Giles	For fabulous focus and thinking in Maths
1T	Evie Crocker	For amazing number bonds
2L	Cobi Booth	For being extra helpful around the class
2R	Harry Evans	For progress in English
3B	Jessica Hurst	For excellent focus and creativity in art
3F	Noah McCann	For excellent effort in English
4A	Krish Bhide	For outstanding Science work
4M	Oscar Irwin	For a superb effort with pronouns
5A	Kitty McCullin	For being a determined and motivated learner
5M	Holly Rooke	For teaching the boys how to play rugby
6G	Rafi Brennan-Ray	For upping his game in Maths
6W	Jamie Coombes	For intelligent questions and challenging himself

BIRTHDAYS

John Lapworth, Thomas Lapworth



HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Anaïs Andrews, Poppy Andrews,
Oliver Walker, Teddy Ridings &
Julie Oprchal for solving the impossible
multiplication problem

Zara Van Ritbergen despite initially finding the task difficult Zara kept going and produced beautiful work persevering with a difficult task & producing beautiful work.

Charlie Broun for fabulous work all term in English

Nicholas Fox & Thomas Solley for their work on the stone age



STAR AWARDS

BRONZE (100+)

James Evans, Alice Thomlinson, April Snow, Eva Wyon, Imogen Norman, Alice Blease, Jasper Rae, Safiya Van Ritbergen, Rosie Hudsmith, Abigail Heading, Fraser Bunyan, Sophia Baker, Rosie Robinson, Elsie Rang, Teddy Law, Max Rooke, Jeea Hothi, Rafi Brennan-Ray, Charlie Broun, Genevieve Jeer, Daniel Klosek, Mabel McGuirk, Evie Parkinson, Martha Rang, Eliot Tucker, Alex Wynn

GOLDEN BALL



Julie Oprchal, Henry Bowyer,
Michael Coombes

FRIEND OF THE WEEK

Edward Dove for
helping a friend in
Maths

House	House Points
Ash	184
Beech	207
Oak	196
Sycamore	216

CHILDREN'S ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Martha Bartlett received a certificate at the Maidstone Music Festival for her performance in Class 202 Own Choice Elementary and Safiya Dubignon won 1st place in the grade 1 & 2 stringed instrument competition

Brayden Ingram achieved level 1 in the Swim England Learn to Swim awards

Jack Manser swam at the Black Lion Gala and won 2 gold and 2 bronze medals

SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK

Clara Montgomery

MUSIC STAR OF THE WEEK

Oscar Irwin for his progress
on the violin



Dogs & Birds

Sophia Gudge—Book 1

