

St Faithian

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Year 2 learn about sea rescue from very own Mr Clark



On a blustery day Year 2 set off from school to find out about rescues from the sea. Studying about Grace Darling connected their thinking to how rescues are carried out nowadays. Once again the fabulous volunteers at Whitstable Lifeboat Station and our very own Herne Bay coastal watch manager, Mr Clark, informed us about how to keep safe by the water and how rescues are done. The children were very interested in the lifeboat and found out facts such as they don't have seat belts and can capsize too (but don't panic; they have a special float which turns them upright again!). At the watch station, Mr Clark showed the children lots of equipment and even tested them on their knowledge about



safety, compass points and the work of each member of the National Coastwatch Institution. We had a really busy but informative day! Thank you to everyone who made this trip possible.

Explore Learning deliver workshops to Years 2 & 3



Year 3 had a lovely time during their Explore Learning workshop 'New Discovery' yesterday. They imagined themselves in a rainforest setting and came up with sound effects that helped bring the forest to life. The focus for their session was on writing creatively and the children had fun coming up with descriptions of some rather unusual-looking beasts. As groups of children were assigned different creatures, they were then able to take turns to listen to descriptions and draw pictures of the animals being described. They produced some fabulous sketches and a number of children managed to capture those features of the beasts that were particularly well described. The children made very



effective use of adverbs and similes to enhance their descriptions. Year 2 were equally creative with their theme, 'Flipped Fairytales'.

Friends of St Faith's

I would like to start my last note as co-chair of the Friends with a big thank you! Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Wine and Wisdom evening last week, including Mrs Gibbs and Latham for being the quizmasters extraordinaire and for Paul and his team for making a delicious dinner.

I would also like to thank the fantastic parents and teachers who contribute in ways large and small to making the Friends activity work and also make it fun. You are all important and without you we would not have been able to purchase the electric piano or trumpets for the music department, buy the Easter eggs for the pupils, or the toys for the playground... and so the list goes on. We also wouldn't be able to contact Santa or the Easter Bunny, who bring so much fun and joy to the children!

I would also like to thank the office staff for all their support and help, from taking payment for events, to helping put up notices up around the school and even helping us try out new products and ideas.



I wish the new team the very best, I know you will be great!

In the meantime, don't forget the school disco next Friday, which is free for pupils!

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Head's Corner

On Thursday I had the privilege of watching our netball and football teams in action at home. Every match proved to be totally engaging. I saw our children battling the opposition with determination and courage, following which they hosted and entertained the visiting teams with a warmth and friendship unique to St Faith's.

I have to say that the highlight of the day was Martin's winning goal which he hit first time from 30m out. This has to be the most amazing goal I have ever witnessed at St Faith's and one that was extremely timely ensuring that we won the local league.



Sport Report



Pace, Strength & Sheer Resilience -here are the Dover and District Football League Champions. Our triumphant U9 Netball team had an amazing season. One visiting teacher said, "They are the best U9 team she seen" Amazing! Then there was a hard game of Tag Rugby against tough teams from Dover. This Ash Rugby Club team were made up entirely of St Faith's players... Read more in our weekly Sport Report www.stfaithsprep.com



War Horse.

We laughed, we cried and we all leapt out of our seats at times on Thursday afternoon when Year 6 went to the Marlowe to see the National Theatre production of War Horse, in Canterbury for the second time. This was perfect timing for Year 6, who have been studying World War One all term, including two weeks working on Michael Morpurgo's now-famous novel.



The children and staff were stunned by the special effects and completely convinced by the horse puppets, which were thoroughly realistic. Kavya commented that, at the beginning, she thought she would never be able to think of the horses as real but, after a few minutes, suddenly she realised she had stopped noticing the puppeteers at all.

The children were a pleasure to take out, receiving compliments both from shoppers out and about in Canterbury, and from other members of the theatre audience. At the saddest moments, thoughtful children even provided tissues to teary people sitting nearby!

It was an afternoon that Year 6 will remember for a long time. They have also picked up a few tips for making their own play a spectacular finale to their time at St Faith's.

Carrotty Champions Assembly from Year 4

kennings, Language of Learning, Jeremy Clarkson and a millionaires shortbread. What could these four things possibly have in common I hear you cry! Well if you were luckily enough to have watched Year 4's Carrotty Wood assembly you would know the answer. For those of you who were not, please read on.

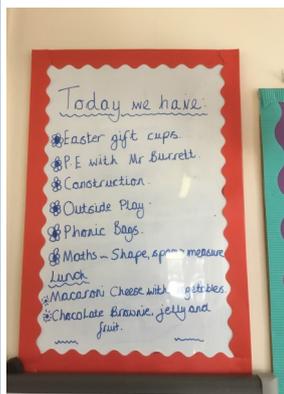
The children shared how they applied their language of learning during their 3 day residential in the Kent wilderness. For some children it was their first time away from home, others their first experience of making their own beds and doing the washing up. Each child got so much from the trip and their enjoyment of it was clear to see as they shared how they'd grown and matured whilst away.



The children all shared poems they'd written inspired by their time away - we had kennings, list and acrostic poems galore. Then the children decided to put some of their teachers through one of the Team Development Task they faced. As usual our St Faith's teachers rose to the challenge - excelling as ever. Then came the pinnacle of the assembly - a mock up of Who Wants to be a Millionaire. Holly managed to answer the million pound question correctly, thanks to a little help from her 'phone a friend', Harpriya. Unfortunately, our co-hosts had forgotten the money but luckily our ever resourceful Chef, Paul, was on hand with a piece of his delicious millionaires shortbread to save the day. A million pounds or a shortbread I hear you cry... Well Wednesday was National Happiness Day and looking at all the children's faces I'd say they've already won the lottery - leading their healthy, happy lives with wonderful parents and friends who care for them.

So, be happy and eat heartily this weekend—you're great!

Nursery this week



This term the Upper Nursery has been learning about cooking. They have made their own pancakes and Sandwiches, and this week have enjoyed fruit kebabs. The children have learnt about healthy foods and have even designed a plate full of healthy options.



The interest table encouraged the class to investigate different foods which promoted plenty of good conversations with lots of interesting questions. Within the Nursery we are keen to encourage the children to try a wide variety of foods that our caterers offer them on a daily basis. As the Easter holidays approach the Nursery will spend the final week of the term preparing for the

festivities, this may of course involve a little chocolate treat.

Outside Nursery Achievements

Congratulations to this little girl from the Nursery Turtle Room who received her gymnastics pre-school first badge. Well done we are very proud of you.



Week commencing 25 March

Monday 2.00pm	Ski Trip St Faith's Got Talent
Tuesday 8.30am 8.30am 8.40am 10.30pm 2.00pm 2.15pm	Year 5 Music performance (children only) Pilates Second hand uniform shop open Class 3F Assembly Year 4 visit St Nicholas Church Easter stations U9 House Netball Year 5 visit St Nicholas Church Easter stations
Wednesday 8.40am 2.15pm 4.00pm	Year 4 & Year 6 Music performances (children only) Class 1CP Assembly U11 A & B netball vs Lorenden HOME Parents Evening 1
Thursday 2.15pm 4.00pm	Year 2 Music Performance (children only) Year 3 visit St Nicholas Church Easter stations Parents Evening 2
Friday 10.30am 2.00pm 3.00pm	Year 2 Music Performance (children only) Easter service at St Nicholas Church, Ash. All parents welcome Lower school Easter disco Upper school Easter disco
Saturday	Ski trip returns

Head Boy & Girl's Teaser!
Which country has this flag



Last week's answer: ISRAEL

Deputy Head Boy & Girl's Teaser!

Which country is the home to kangeroos?



Last week's answer: SEVEN

CHESSE

Austin Smith, Cassius Tucker-Borges & Lottie Rush successfully completed and passed the English Chess federation certificate of Excellence, Bronze Level. All of the children received certificates, a pen and a logo bug.



Clubs & Hobbies

Week Commencing	25.03.19
Monday	
Art Club Yr 2 - 6	YES
Gym Upper Nursery upwards	YES
Music (During School hours)	YES
Tennis Rec, Yr 1-4	YES
Tuesday	
Chess	YES
Dance Pixies & Fairies Ballet up to Yr 1	YES
Drama Upper School Yr 2 - 6	YES
Football Yr 1 - 3	YES
French Yr 3,4 &5	YES
Golf Yr 2 - 6	YES
LAMDA (During school hours)	YES
Music (During School hours)	YES
Wednesday	
Ballet (Prep & Primary) Yr 2 upwards	NO
Ballet (Junior Jazz) Yr 2 upwards	NO
Fencing Yr 2 - 6 (8.00am - 8.45am)	YES
Music (During School hours)	YES
Musical Theatre Yr 2 - 6	NO
Netball Yr 3 - 6	YES
Thursday	
Football Yr 4 - 6	NO
Music (During School hours)	YES
Friday	
Netball Yr 3 - 6	NO
Music (During School hours)	NO

READING SHELF

The following children completed reading shelves this week:

Edward Dove, Oscar Irwin, Safiya Van Ritbergen, Oliver Barker, Sofia Cresswell, Alice Blease, Arabella Porter, Jasper Rae, Austin Smith, Rafi Brennan-Ray, Filipe Papadopoulos, Zara Van Ritbergen, Matilda Ford, Nicholas Fox, Daniel Klosek, James Payne, Gurveena Dhaliwal, Portia Taylor-Wilson, Willa Bradley, Hermione Porter, Lucy Harrop, Sancy Carthew, Sami Ur-Rehman, Darcey Powell, Charlie Farquhar, Oscar Rae, Logan Bouhours-Goodlad, Imogen Norman, Zara Van Ritbergen, Sonny Smith, Leo Alexander, Kishore Chandrasegaran, Roy Benayahu, James Quinn

These children are Stars of the week for all their effort in class

RB	Flynn Leberl	For excellent recall of tricky words
RR	Aarav Patel	For being a good role model
1CP	Arnav Siddappa	For fabulous phonics
1B	James Evans	For his love of sharing amazing stories
2E	Nila Nagarajan	For her improvement in English
2L	Honor Leberl	For sparkling in confidence throughout the day
3B	Hermione Porter	For showing resilience and putting 100% effort into her Maths
3F	Austin Smith	For having a great attitude towards school
4A	Sam Matravers	For excellent effort in Maths & English
4M	Sienna Hirst	For learning her lines quickly for our class assembly
5A	Charlie Farquhar	For working with dedication in all subjects
5M	Jeea Hothi	For excellent logical thinking in Maths
6G	Thomas Dowle	For hard work in Maths and great War poetry work in English
6W	Bertie Taylor	For keeping going and smiling whatever is happening!

FRIEND OF THE WEEK

Louis Hunt for being really kind to the younger children by showing them how to do magic tricks

Times Tables Challenge

Jupiter

Sam Matravers, Poppy Andrews, Oliver Walker, Julie Oprchal, Harleena Dhaliwal, Harpriya Dhaliwal, Caspian Finlay, Anaïs Andrews, Helena Overy, Tom Mills, Joshua Tucker, Romy Todd, Holly Rooke, Krishna Patel, Alex Fox

Mars

Rosie Robinson, Ella Dibb-Fuller, Honor Urquhart, Austin Smith

MUSIC STARS OF THE WEEK

Danielle Aron, Holly Rooke, Romy Todd & Arabella Porter for their hard work in preparation for the Thanet Festival



SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK

Tom Mills

PLAYERS OF THE MATCH

Romy Todd, Jasmine McGuirk, Isla Chambers, Martha Rang, Alexandra Rooke, Thomas Solley, Martin Long-Castro

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Roxi Booth for a beautifully written story



Roy Benayahu for fantastic description in his story

Zara Van Ritbergen, Emilio Lockhart & Leo Alexander for excellent team work and their fantastic non-fiction posters

James Evans for his language work

Willa Bradley, Sami Ur-Rehman, Honor Leberl, Sancy Carthew, Henry O'Connor, Martha Bartlett for their Lowry Artwork

BRONZE (100+)

Nila Nagarajan, George Overy



SILVER 200+

Esther Kuruvilla, Angus Solley, Sienna Hirst, Yuthushya Niroshan, Krishna Patel, Poppy Andrews, Kitty McCullin, Jamie Montgomery, Evelina Salvatori

CHILDREN'S ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Anna Woodhead & Freddie Heffer took part in the Deal Gymnastics club Easter competition. They were in different classes but both won medals against stiff competition

Freddie Heffer was awarded his 50m swimming certificate and achieved stage 4 in the Swim England awards.

Gurveena Dhaliwal achieved 25m in Swim England Award

All of the Year 3 children became NFU Farmventors and all received certificates



House	Points	House Champion
Ash	247	Daisy Robinson
Beech	269	Sylvie Brown
Oak	299	Willa Bradley
Sycamore	362	Isla Chambers

Birthdays

Logan Bouhours-Goodlad, Krishna Patel, Matyas Oprchal, Lucy Harrop, Thomas Solley, Harry Ford



GOLDEN BALL



Anna Mills, Daniel Klosek, Oscar Irwin, Jamie Montgomery