Faithian Flyer

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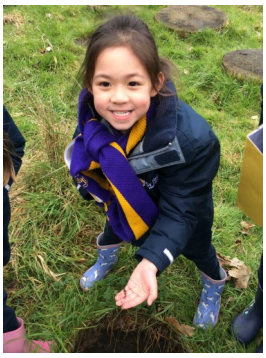
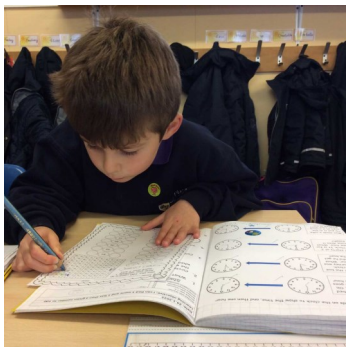
New Beginnings and a passion for learning!

Each new school year means new beginnings, new friendships, new challenges and most excitingly – new experiences to be had. Each day at St Faith's is a new adventure on every child's journey of education.

When you were at school did you learn a language? When you were at school did you go to a pantomime? When you were at school did you work with children from other year groups? Did you learn an instrument? This list of questions could go on, but if you were to ask these to a child here at St Faith's, you would get a resounding YES! Whether it is out into the village of Ash to conduct a traffic survey, or reflecting upon moments of feeling proud of ourselves in PSHEE. Building models that can transport tomatoes down a mountainside in Nepal or thinking about what materials our learning environment is made from, learning three different languages across the school year or playing a musical instrument, exploring the surroundings in our wonderful Nature Garden or getting lost in a book in our fantastic library. Every day brings about a new challenge and develops the children's curiosity, resilience and enjoyment in their learning.

As well as a solid foundation in learning, our school days are often the times when we form many of our strongest friendships and longest-lasting memories. All of our teachers here at St Faith's love to teach, and this results in children who love to learn: they embrace every challenge and opportunity that is presented to them. We encourage and support children to have a go and challenge themselves to ensure that their educational journey with us is exciting, fun, interesting and memorable, one that they will remember fondly for many years to come!





Friends of St Faith's

We are absolutely delighted to invite you to a Valentines'-themed breakfast in the Kerruish Hall from 8am on Thursday 10th February.

We will be serving pastries and treats along with juice, tea and coffee. The Cost is £2.00 per person (please pay on the day).

While everyone is invited, please note that **children must be accompanied** by their parent or carer to ensure we meet all dietary requirements. Once children go to form rooms at 8:30am, parents are welcome to stay and enjoy a relaxing coffee (and perhaps just one more treat)!

We will be donating 50% of profits to The King's College Hospital, London.
Looking forward to seeing you there.

Vicky, Alison & Zoe
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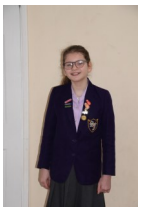
Head's Corner

It was truly wonderful to see the parents back and have a presence in this week's music concert and class assembly for 3B. The children certainly appreciated having an audience and rose to the occasion with a confidence and joie de vivre.

Music Report



This morning, the girl pictured was presented with her certificate for Grade 6 Musical Theatre – a remarkable achievement for anyone, but particularly impressive when you consider that she was only 10 when she took the exam! She passed with a fantastic distinction and prior to this, she has also had to achieve Grade 5 Music Theory, which she also passed with distinction!

Also during this morning's assembly, Evelina, Henry and Arabella were presented with certificates following their participation in the ISA Young Soloist Competition. Sadly, none of our children reached the latter stages of the competition but all three can be very proud of the excellent recordings they submitted.

We had a Morning Concert earlier this week which was a lovely event, made more special by the parents who were in the audience. You can read more about this concert on our website.

There was a lovely Harry Potter-themed piano performance from Cleo this morning and also a performance from Maddy and Kaitlyn of a song they composed themselves. Budding singer-songwriters there I think!

Finally, this week's music star was Evelina, mainly for her wonderful trumpet playing this week, but also for being generally brilliant at music!

Enjoy the weekend, everyone.

Sport Report

This week the an U9 team walked over the road to have some friendly Dodgeball matches against Cartwright and Kelsey Primary School. All the children enjoyed the afternoon and the St Faith's teams came 2nd and 4th in the mini tournament that was held.

Player of the match for her excellent duck, dodge and dive went to **Madeleine T**.

Well played everyone!

Next week the U11 and U9 boys have their first Hockey matches of the year.

Finally, Netball matches are fast approaching which the girls are working hard towards in their lessons.

Assembly—3B

It's a big 'YES' from me!
3Bs assembly this week clearly proved that Year 3 have got talent. From tap dancing to hula-hooping, Minecraft to juggling, they've got it all.

Inspired by the book Gerald the Giraffe by Giles Andreae and Guy Parker-Reese the children entertained us all with lively performance of this well-loved tale. The moral of the story taught us to celebrate individuality because *"we can all dance once we find the right tune"*.

Mr Groves was astounded by some of the 'hidden talents' of his own staff and will never look at Mrs Allen the same way again. Did you know she can roller skate forwards and backwards? Mr Mackenzie has reached Grade 4 on the trombone, Mrs Cavanagh has achieved advanced tap-dancing certificates and Miss Johnson can juggle 4 balls at once! I feel a staff talent show coming on…

Well done to 3B for learning all of their lines and acting so well.

Nursery News

Lower Nursery are enjoying a 'Winter Wonderland' topic.
Children in the Dolphin Room have been learning all about the cold weather. They have been on Welly Walks where the children looked and listened for different aspects in the environment.
When they returned to the warm classroom they sorted and used their findings to create playdough snowmen. Later playing 'Pass the Snowman' game provided an opportunity for the children to practise turn taking and learning the names of their new friends.

Hopefully our next walk will be in the snow!!!

Week Commencing 31 January

Monday **Year 5 Residential week to Carroty Wood**

Tuesday

Wednesday RR, Yr 4 Music performance
8.15am Second hand shop open
8.45am Class 3P Assembly
2.00pm U11 AB Hockey v Spring Grove AWAY at Ashford Hockey Club

Thursday
2.00pm U9 AB Hockey v Spring Grove at Ashford Hockey Club

Friday **Year 5 return from Carroty Wood**
8.40am Celebration Assembly in Teams

Head Boy & Girl's Teaser!
Guess the Super hero

Last week's answer: **Batman**

Deputy Head Boy & Girl's Teaser!
Name the Harry Potter character

Last week's answer: **Neville Longbottom**

CHILDREN'S OUTSIDE ACHIEVEMENTS

Harry Evans competed in an Inter-Schools show jumping competition and came 6th against people from all over South East England.

Florrie Brown received a Level 1 certificate for Music theory made easy.

Happy 101st birthday

St Faith's Prep would like to wish Edna Clayton a very happy 101st birthday. Upon hearing on the radio how sad and lonely Edna's 100th birthday was, due to lockdown, Year 5 wished to help make her 101st birthday a better and more memorable one. They rallied together to make Edna a birthday card; posted to arrive on her 101st birthday on the 31st January.

Clubs & Activities

Week Commencing	31.01.2022
Monday	
Gym Un - Yr 1 3.25pm - 4.00pm	YES
Gym Yr 2- 6 4.15pm - 4.55pm	YES
Music (During School hours)	YES
Tennis R - Yr 1 3.15pm - 4.00pm Yr 2 - 4 4.15pm - 5.00pm	YES
Tuesday	
Badminton Yr 4 - 6 (first half of term only) 4.10pm - 5.00pm	NO
Chess Yr 3 - 6 4.10pm - 5.10pm	YES
Dance Pixies & Fairies Ballet Upper Nursery to Yr 1 3.45pm - 4.15pm	YES
Ballet Prep Yr 2 - 6 4.15pm - 4.50pm	YES
Jazz & Disco Yr 2 - 6 4.50pm - 5.25pm	YES
LAMDA (During school hours)	YES
Music (During School hours)	YES
Wednesday	
Ballet Prep Yr 2 - 6 4.15pm - 4.50pm	YES
Jazz & Disco Yr 2 - 6 4.50pm - 5.25pm	YES
Chess Yr 1 & 2 4.10pm - 5.10pm	YES
Computer club Yr 3 - 6 4.10pm - 5.10pm	YES
Cooking Yr 4-6 4.10pm - 5.10pm	YES
Fencing Yr 3 - 6 8.00am - 8.45am	NO
Music (During School hours)	YES
Yoga & Mindfulness Yr 2 - 6 4.15pm - 5.00pm	YES
Thursday	
Art Yr 3 - 6 4.15 - 5.15pm	YES
Languages Yr 3 - 6 4.15pm - 5.00pm	YES
Music (During School hours)	YES
Musical Theatre Yr R - 1 3.15pm - 4.00pm	YES
Musical Theatre Yr 2 - 6 4.15pm - 5.00pm	YES
Netball Yr 3 - 6 4.10pm - 5.00pm	YES
Newspaper (Read all about it!) Yr 4 - 6 4.10pm - 5.10pm	YES
Friday	
Dodge Ball Yr 3 - 6 (first half term only) 4.10pm - 5.00pm	NO
Music (During School hours)	YES

House	Points
Ash	113
Beech	111
Oak	104
Sycamore	106

STAR OF THE WEEK

RB	Harvey Evans	For setting his own goals
RR	Emilia Douglas	For a settled start to life at St Faith's
1CM	Isabelle Dalgliesh	For resilience in Maths
1R	Evan Urquhart	For his enthusiasm and attitude towards his learning
2H	Tilly Howell	For an amazing, creative 'Baba Yaga' story
2L	Kasen Wells	For a great story about 'Baba Yaga' and for fraction work
3B	Lucy McElligott	For her super effort in the class assembly
3P	Ethan Smith	For his fabulous effort in class assembly rehearsals
4C	Evie Wiltsher	For outstanding effort and growing confidence in English
4R	April Snow	For her resilience and hard work, especially in English
5A	Willa Bradley	For beautiful descriptive writing
5M	Aaliyah Levene	For always having a smile on her face
6J	Arabella Porter	For determination and focus to achieve her goals
6W	Hermione Porter	For trying her very best and being brilliant

HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Ava Riley, Luna Hulme for recognising Spirituality

Zachary Powlter, Ethan Patel, James Gadsden, Charlotte Donaldson for exceptional diary writing

Harrison Tomkies for amazing work with time and clocks

Henry Maclachlan, Mya Wood, Amelie Coles & Lucy McElligott for their realistic drawings of cakes

READING AWARDS

The following children completed Reading shelves this week
Kell Sanders, Evie Ball, Miles Jaenicke, Florence Osborn

Accelerated Reader Target 1
Maddy Botha

Word Millionaire
Jaspar Rae

GOLDEN BALLS

Harry Daw, Henry Maclachlan, Leo Alexander, James Quinn

MUSIC STARS OF THE WEEK

Evelina Salvatori mainly for fantastic trumpet playing this week

BIRTHDAYS

Honor Urquhart, Dhiyana Patel, Charlotte Donaldson, Hugo Jarlett, Safiya Van Ritbergen

SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK

Harry Evans for excellent effort during his hockey session this week

FRIEND OF THE WEEK

Cuthbert Hampshire for making sure none of his friends are lonely

STAR AWARDS
BRONZE (100+)

Daisy Robinson, James Quinn, Matyas Oprchal Nour Al Ayoub, Bertie Hampshire, Flynn Leberl, Catherine Payne, Ethan Smith

ROCKSTARS TIMES TABLES
NUMBOTS
Effort

Sail McCulloch, Isabelle Dalgliesh, Finley McGuirk, Sophie Dalgliesh, Primrose Snow, Elias Dubignon Toby Lapthorn