



St. John's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 24– 15th March 2024

Our values: In Christ we are: **Joyful** in our faith , **Aspirational** in our learning, **Confident** in being me, **Caring** in our hearts.

Taken from Mark 11:1-10 Palm Sunday of the Lords Passion, Year B

When they were approaching Jerusalem, in sight of Bethphage and Bethany, close by the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go off to the village facing you, and as soon as you enter it you will find a tethered colt that no one has yet ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone says to you, ‘What are you doing?’ say, ‘The Master needs it and will send it back here directly.’” They went off and found a colt tethered near a door in the open street. As they untied it, some men standing there said, “What are you doing, untying that colt?” They gave the answer Jesus had told them, and the men let them go. Then they took the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on its back, and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, others greenery which they had cut in the fields. And those who went in front and those who followed were all shouting, “Hosanna! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest heavens!”

Stars of the week

- ★ **Reception** - Jovi for trying hard with her independent learning this week and writing ‘I can see an astronaut all by herself!’
- ★ **Year 1** - Elsa for trying really hard with her reading and phonics sounds.
- ★ **Year 2** - Quinn for working independently in Maths and for contributing to our class discussions.
- ★ **Year 3** - Alfie for excellent listening skills in French (listening to a conversation and picking out certain vocabulary correctly) Tres bien!
- ★ **Year 4** - Tilly for being kind, caring and always working hard with a smile on her face.
- ★ **Year 5** - Abbeygayle for her fantastic reading. She is voracious!
- ★ **Year 6** - Ollie for superb effort and success in Maths this week. He has shown great focus and understanding too!! Josh for DT (Textiles) for designing and sewing a fantastic mobile phone holder and adding a button and elastic to fasten it—



Proud Work 14/03/24



YR — Frida has challenged herself in all areas of learning this week and wanted to showcase all of her space work. Wow, Frida! :)

Y1— Ameerah, Annie, Maximus, Jacob A and Lewis for working together so well to sequence and write simple sentences of our English story 'Dinosaurs and all that rubbish'.

Y2 — Lucas for his questions created from our non-fiction text "Fanatical about Frogs".

Y3— Joseph for working really hard to solve equivalent masses.

Y4— Therese—15/15 in her end of unit fractions test.

Y5— Ahmad for writing fantastic sentences in French describing his opinions on sports and hobbies.

Y6— Libby for designing and sewing a beautiful mobile phone holder with decorations (and even when she missed a lesson, she caught up and finished in time!)

Bronze Reading Award—50 reads

YR—Theo

Silver Reading Award— 100 reads

Y2— Heevan



Attendance Award:

Year 1—97%

Whole School Attendance:
89% (Target Attendance : 95%)

Gold Reading Award—150 reads

YR— Riley, Nellie, Layla

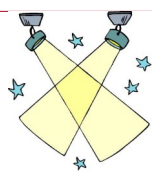
Y1—Megan

Y2—Harry

Y5—Anayah



Each week we will publish an interview undertaken by members of our School Council. The aim is to support our school community in getting to know different members of staff at school.



Spotlight on the Adults at St John's!



What is your job at St John's?	Year 6 Teacher, English Lead
What are your responsibilities in school?	Teaching Year 6, planning lessons and teaching English
Do you have a family or pets?	I have 2 sons called Max and Rhys. I have a cat called Pickle and a dog called Spinach.
How long have you been at St John's?	7 years!
Why did you come to St John's?	I have friends who work here and the school is close to my home.
How long have you been in education for?	I have been in education for 9 years.
How do you feel about your job?	I love teaching!
What is your favourite subject in school and why?	English because I like reading everyone's stories, I also like Maths because I like seeing children understand. And I love History – this was my degree subject and I find it fascinating!
When you were little where did you grow up?	I grew up in Germany and England.
Who inspires you and why?	Nelson Mandela inspires me because he never gave up.
What is your favourite food?	My favourite food is Thai food – and toast!
Do you have any hobbies?	Yoga, reading and walking. Being a Swiftie! My favourite song is 'Clean' by Taylor Swift.

Spring/ Summer Term Diary Dates!



Thursday 21 March: Y3 school trip

Friday 22 March: International Storytelling/Pyjama Day

Wed 27 March: PTA Easter Raffle, Easter Bonnet Competition & Virtual Easter Egg hunt

Thursday 28 March: End of Term, Y2 school trip

Monday 15 April: Back to school, no After School Clubs this week

Tuesday 16 April: 8:50am Class Photos— wear your smartest school uniform!

Thursday 18 April: 3:30pm PTA Movie Night

Monday 13 May: Y6 SATs week

Monday 20 May: Spanish Day

Thursday 23 May: Crazy hair day! Break up for May half-term(Friday is INSET Day)

Monday 3 June: Back to school, Y6 at PGL all week

Thursday 13 June: Y5 school trip

Friday 14 June: International Food Festival, First Holy Communions

Saturday 22 June: Summer Fair 12—3pm

Monday 17 June: Bikeability week

Wednesday 26 June: Y3 International morning with Arunside

Friday 5 July: PTA Family Festival picnic

Monday 22 July: Last day of term



International Storytelling / PJ Day on Friday 22nd March!

Children can wear pyjamas or onesies (with normal school shoes and bring a coat) and please donate £2 (per child) towards new reading resources for the school. Please bring your £2 to your class teacher.

The children will hear the story of 'Goldilocks and the 3 Bears' in different languages, with our Young Interpreters, and some parents and staff as storytellers. Many thanks in advance to those parents and staff who have volunteered to help. The day will celebrate the many different languages we have in our school.

Chartwells Holiday

Return Menu

Please note that due to an issue on Chartwell's Booking system, you will not be able to book meals until the last day of term—28 March.

Orders need to be placed by mid-night Thursday, ten days ahead of the week required.

The ParentPay website to do this through can be accessed here -

<https://app.parentpay.com/public/client/security/v2/#/login>

Holiday Return Menu

Jacket Potato with Baked Beans

OR

Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo

(Contains FISH, EGG, MUSTARD)

Sweetcorn and Beetroot Salad

Jelly and Custard

(Contains MILK)

Milk or Water

(Contains MILK)

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL IS CALLING ON **CREATIVE PRIMARY-AGED CHILDREN** IN THE DISTRICT TO **DESIGN A THANK YOU CARD** FOR OUR FANTASTIC **COMMUNITY HEROES**.

There are so many lovely people who make our District a great place to live. From the nicest neighbours to inspiring coaches cheering you on, we would like you to draw or paint a design to celebrate them.

The winning design will be made into cards which our Chairman will present at a special thank you tea party in June for all our wonderful local heroes!

Grown-ups can submit entries by sending in a scan or photo of the design, which should fit on a sheet of A4 paper, along with details of their little artist to: communications@horsham.gov.uk by 1 May 2024.



Full details of the competition can be found on our website at: www.horsham.gov.uk/communityhero

50 YEARS



Horsham District Council

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Congratulations to all of the children that made their first confession on Monday at St John the Evangelist Church. This is a key step in their preparation towards making their First Holy Communion in June.

We will be holding a school Mass of celebration on Monday 17th of June for these children. They are invited to wear their special clothes for the Mass if they would like to.



St Mary's Church, The Causeway, Horsham

Friday 29th March 2024 10-11am

Easter Garden, Craft, Prayer & Easter Egg Hunt



Everyone is welcome & there's no charge
but please book using the QR code so we
know how many eggs to buy!

Further Details from:
Linda.baker@horshamstmarys.org.uk
Children & Families Worker
Tel: 01403 283786
Horsham Parish Team Charity No – 1132246

Aspire Higher Ballet Classes

These classes are for girls and boys who want to learn Ballet in a fun way. It's suitable for children without any ballet experience and also those that want to build on their existing training.

Arunside primary school after school club
with Eve Fagan

Directly after school, I will collect and escort the children to the club. Collect your child at 4:20pm from the PE hall doors in the playground of ARUNSIDE school.

Monday for Reception to year 3
Thursday for year group 4-6

£6.50 per class, pay at start of term

For registration or information
Email or WhatsApp to:
Enjoydanceclass@gmail.com
Phone 07497770074

