

THAKEHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



'Small School, Big Opportunities, Great Achievements'

20th May 2019



Super Learning Hero Awards

Congratulations go to the following children for their awards week commencing 6th May 2019, awarded in Celebration assembly on 13th May 2019:

Positive, Persevering

Poppy
Henry (Oak)

Co-operative, Caring

Craig

Curious, Questioning

Quinn
Holly (Elder)
Emilia (Elder)

Reflective, Reviewing

Ruby
Jeni (Acorn)
Max (Maple)
Mabel (Maple)

Hall of Fame

Headteacher award

Archie (Elder)
Harry K (Elder)
Evie (Elder)

Congratulations go to the following children for their awards week commencing 13th May 2019, awarded in Celebration assembly on 20th May 2019:

Positive, Persevering

Poppy
Florin (Oak)
Ruby (Elder)

Co-operative, Caring

Craig
Toby (Maple)

Curious, Questioning

Quinn
Eryn V (Acorn)

Reflective, Reviewing

Ruby
Lucy (Acorn)
Reuben (Oak)
Jessica (Oak)
Emma-Rose (Maple)

Hall of Fame

Sadie (Oak)

Headteacher award

Time to Shine!

Congratulations to George, Archie and Ralph for their football success, Emma Rose for her gymnastics proficiency and Leonie for her horse riding award.



Congratulations also to Janneke for her 'Colour Run', Mabel for her level 7 swimming award, great rugby achievements and Beth on her and yet more success for George, Archie, Ralph and Frankie on their football awards day!

Message from Mrs Norton

Dear Parents/Carers,

Positive, Persevering Poppy!

We were so impressed with our Year 6 pupils and their level of resilience throughout last week, rising to the challenge of their SATs tests. They all showed great focus and determination. We hope they were like our Super Learning Hero, Reflective, Reviewing Ruby as well, drawing on everything they have learnt over the past few years. As the papers are marked externally, it won't be until July that we find out the results. These will be provided as part of the annual reports to parents.

It's the turn of Year 2 this week, good luck to all!

Year 5/6 also showed excellence on the field and track last week taking 1st place in the STARS Athletics completion—see later on in the newsletter! Go Thakeham!



Annual Reports to Parents

This year we are changing the format of our reports to make them easier to read and understand. We'll be seeking feedback to find out if you found the changes helpful. Reports will be sent out Friday 12th July.

We're Looking for Curious, Questioning Quinns!

Mrs Hopkins led a short training session last week to support volunteers with hearing readers and using questions to support children's reading comprehension. If you can spare some time each week to hear readers and ask them questions to check their understanding, we want to hear from you. We will work with you to complete the necessary Police checks. Whilst Safeguarding remains a priority we are streamlining our training, which may be helpful for volunteers who have found the online training a bit of an ordeal. You must be willing to commit to an annual training session of 1.5 hours in school. This is open to members of the local community as well as parents and family members. If you think you may be able to help please the office/Mrs Hopkins know as soon as possible.



Village Day 6th July

This year's Village Day event (both day and night) promises to be another great opportunity to get together with family and friends and have some fun whilst fundraising towards IT (tablets) for use across the school as well as sun shade canopies for the playground and a bike/scooter rack. The ability of our school to contribute to this great community event and our fundraising power is dependent on YOU! Please sign up to help us with one of the following:

- Refreshments
- BBQ
- Childs raffle
- Bottle tombola
- Festival glitter
- Welly throwing

We will have a non-uniform day on Fri 14th June for donations for the Children's Raffle and 2 hampers one on the theme of 'Arts & Crafts' and the other on 'Summer Games' and Fri 21st June for the bottle tombola. Please support as generously as possible.

Be a Co-operative, Caring Craig!

Please be aware that our Teaching Assistants and other support staff use the Steyning Grammar School as well as parents and so will need to access this promptly to ensure they arrive on time for work. Due to the limited access in/out of the car park, please do not block this section by stopping to chat to others.....you are delaying adults from getting into school to help your child! Thank you for your understanding!

It has been a very short, yet busy half-term! Enjoy the break and hopefully some sunshine. We look forward to see you back on Monday June 3rd.

With very best wishes

Mrs Sam Norton (Headteacher)

Acorn Pizza Express Trip

Children in Acorn class have just been on an exciting trip to Pizza Express. Following on from our story "The little red hen makes pizza", all children had the opportunity to experience making and eating their very own pizza. Children listened well and followed the instructions in order for them all to become budding pizza chefs.



Oak Class Thakeham Village Trip

On 10th May, Oak class went on a trip around the village of Thakeham as part of our Geography work on 'Our Local Area'. We started off our trip in St Mary's church where we learnt some history about the village and church and took the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful views. We carried out observations and sketches, and, using our map skills were able to identify some of the original buildings such as the Post Office and Blacksmiths. We looked at the materials used to make the buildings, the windows and the type of homes that there were in the original part of the village.

After lunch we then moved over to the Abingworth development and explored the amenities and homes here. We made direct comparisons through sketches with what we had seen in the original village and discussed why the housing and development was different.



Year 5/6 Athletics Tournament



A huge congratulations to the children who took part in the Athletics tournament on Thursday 16th May for achieving **first place** against other STARS schools. They battled hard to earn points for the team in a range of events including sprints, long distance, relay, discus, javelin, shot put and long jump. A well-deserved win for all those involved!



FOTS New Logo Design

FOTS were delighted to present prizes for their new logo competition this week. Brooke and Erin were runners up but Colette's design caught the judge's eye to take 1st place! Look out for the logo on all FOTS correspondences.



Dates for your Diaries

Monday 20th May
Tuesday 21st May
Wednesday 22nd May

Year 2 SATS Week
Year 1 Phonics Meeting @ 2.45pm
Y3-6 Cross Country

Half term—May 27th—May 31st

10th -14th June
Friday 14th June
Tuesday 11th June
Wednesday 19th June
Friday 21st June
Wednesday 3rd July
Saturday 6th July
Monday 8th July
Friday 12th July
Friday 19th July
Friday 19th July
Tuesday 23rd July

Year 1 Phonics Screening
Non-uniform day: donations for Children's raffle and Hampers
Maths Mastery Parent Workshop @ 3.30pm
Y1&2 Athletics @ Amberley
Non-uniform day: donations for bottle tombola
Whole school transition afternoon
Thakeham Village Day
INSET—SCHOOL CLOSED
Maple Class Trip to Weald and Downland Centre
Sports Day
School discos
Last Day of Term

Summer Holidays—Wednesday 24th July— Monday 2nd September (INSET on 2.9.19)

Image of the Fortnight





Holiday Club for Reception to yr5
29th July to 2nd August
8.45am – 3.15pm
At Thakeham Primary School
for more details or to book:
www.splashschools.org.uk/holiday-club/



Chartwells Catering has a Kitchen Staff vacancy
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Appropriate training will be given and uniform will be provided.

For more information please contact
Nicola Eves, Area Manager via email at
nicola.eves@compass-group.co.uk



Rainbows and Brownies

West Chiltington

We have spaces for girls to begin their guiding adventure with us from September.

We meet on Monday's at the Church Hall during school term times.

Rainbows is for girls age 5-7

Brownies is for girls age 7-10



To join please contact guidingwestchiltington1@gmail.com or phone 01798812449.



SHOREHAM FORT

1st ~ 2nd June 2019
11am - 4.30pm

MIHW 2019

8th Annual Military History Weekend

Living History Displays Kid's Parade Drills
Kid's Activities Firing Demonstrations
Kit Kar Display Teams Mini Airsoft Range
Military Vehicles
Refreshments Cannon Firings* Cakes and more.....



* Sunday 2nd June Only
Photo by Trevor Slater



HALF TERM BAND WORKSHOP!

at SAM HQ, Shoreham-by-Sea

3 Day Music Course

9am-3:30pm

£145 PER PERSON!

27th-29th May

ALL INSTRUMENTS WELCOME: LEARN A VARIETY OF SONGS, MASTER NEW TECHNIQUES, RECORD YOUR SONGS, HAVE FUN AND ROCK OUT ON STAGE!



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STARS NC SCHOOLS NETBALL FESTIVAL 2019

Date: Thursday 4th July 2019

Times: 3:45—5pm

Location: Steyning Grammar Rock Road

Schools year: 4&5 and 6

Aim: Stars Netball club is growing in numbers and in teams and our aim is to offer netball to all abilities from ages U10 and above. Every year we put on a school tournament to promote our sport and encourage boys and girls to get involved, whether it be at school or at club.

We are looking forward to the Netball World Cup and we thought we could make our tournament bigger and better this year.

We want to host 2 tournaments, one for combined teams of 4&5 and teams of year 6.

Medals for 1st place and certificates for runner-ups.

In addition to the tournament we will have:

- Netball competitions
- Cake sale
- A group warm up

Parents are welcome to come and watch their children play in the tournament

Please bring some pennies for the cake sale.

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