



Newsletter **17th March 2023**

Dear Parents and carers,

‘Happy St Patrick’s Day’ to all those, including me, who are celebrating today!

It has been another busy week at St Hugh’s full of learning and discovery made even more exciting by the introduction of the new Science Fair. Thank you for supporting the children so well at home with their experiments and investigations. The standard of the entries to the competition was truly exceptional. Every class has enjoyed visiting our fair and it was lovely to welcome parents in after school, on Friday, to come and see for themselves what everyone has been up to. Winning entries were announced during Collective Worship on Friday. Well done children and thank you to Mr Davies for organising this fantastic event for the school.

It was also a great pleasure, once again, to welcome parents in the for Year 5’s Class Mass on Thursday morning this week. Thank you to Father Nick for celebrating with us and well done to year 5 and Mrs Ashveer for preparing a wonderful and holy celebration for us all to be part of.

This week we found Jesus meeting a Samaritan woman at Jacob’s Well. In the course of the conversation that ensued, Jesus told the woman some profound truths, a bit about her and more about Himself and what was to come.

Human nature often leads us to shy away from uncomfortable truths. For many of us, the truth that Jesus Christ, was born, died and rose again, remains a challenging concept yet this is the truth that our faith is built on. The soul-saving business that we’ve all signed up for, relies on us helping others to understand and believe this, which can be tricky if we’re not quite there yet ourselves. The path to greater understanding lies, as it usually does with God, in demonstrating humility, integrity, faithfulness, hopefulness and, as always, acting with loving kindness in all that we do. Luckily we have the wonderful St Hugh’s children who so often lead the way as role models of how to behave towards one another.

Enjoy this week’s newsletter and have a great weekend everyone!

God Bless!

Mrs Grace

Head of School



RSE – Journey In Love

As part of our commitment to work in partnership with parents, I always write to you to let you know when we have a lesson coming up from the Journey in Love (RSE) scheme of work. In the autumn term, the children learned the, “Social and Emotional,” lessons in the scheme and this term we will be focusing on the, “Spiritual.” The lessons will be taught next week.

The learning intention for each year group is:

Reception class: To celebrate the joy of being a special person in God’s family.

Year 1: To celebrate ways that God loves and cares for us.

Year 2: To celebrate ways of meeting God in our communities.

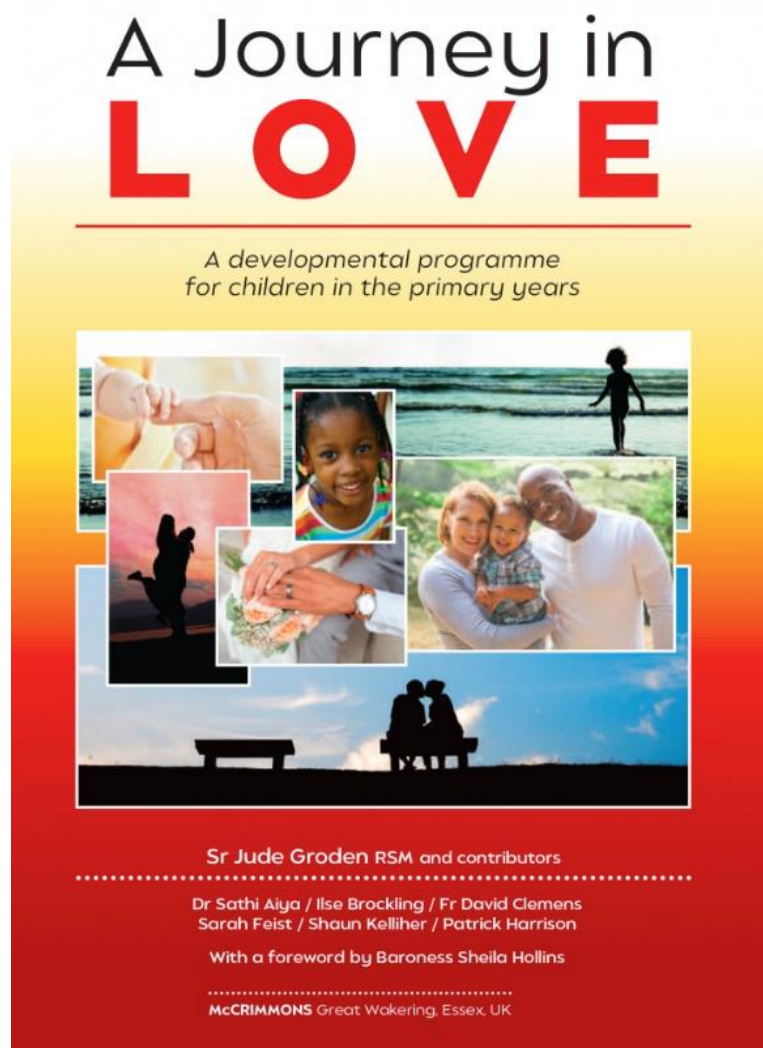
Year 3: To celebrate the joy and happiness of living in friendship with God and others.

Year 4: To celebrate the uniqueness and innate beauty of each of us.

Year 5: To celebrate the joy of growing physically and spiritually.

Year 6: To show an understanding of how being made in the image and likeness of God informs decisions and actions when building relationships with others, including life-long relationships.

If you would like any further information about the lessons please ask your child’s class teacher.



Reception

Reception have been exploring the story of, *The Good Samaritan*. They have used 'small world' resources to retell and act out the story. They have even made some puppets of their own to represent the people from the story to help them with their own storytelling. The children have thought carefully about the message of the story and have thought of ways that they can show kindness and love towards others, particularly during this period of Lent. The children then wrote their own Lenten Promises to hang on the class prayer table.



Year 1

In Art this week, we have worked in groups of 4 to recreate Louis Bourgeois' 'Maman' spider sculpture. We have used our art skills to plan and create the legs and body of the spider. Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their afternoon visit to see the Science Fair entries. A big thank you to Mr Davies and the curriculum team.



Year 2

Year 2 have enjoyed making and decorating Mother's Day cards for their parents and family to celebrate the special day on Sunday. They loved using the colouring markers and choosing materials to make their cards 'sparkle'.



Year 3

This week, Year Three acted out the actions of the Communion Rite in their RE lesson. They then freeze framed and explained what was happening. They also thought about how they can share God's love with others:

"Be kind to others."

"Talk about the Gospel we have heard."

"Smile at people in the street."



*First, we pray the
Our Father.*



We share a sign of peace.



The Lamb of God

The Communion Rite



*We receive
Jesus.*



*We go
out.*

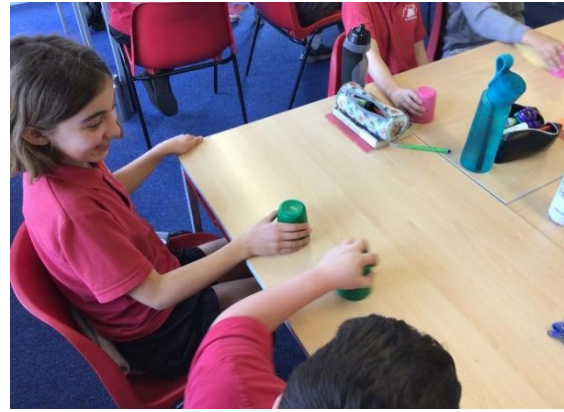
Year 5

Year 5 enjoyed using our lovely, new outdoor classroom for their Geography lesson. This term, in Geography Year 5 are studying the Alpine region. Last week, they learnt about how the Alps were formed. To help picture the process the children used playdough to represent the tectonic plates. Then they placed their plates on a thin layer of sand and pushed two plates together, observing how the layers crumple and fold, creating 'mountains'.



Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been learning how to find their internal pulse. We listened to different songs and found the pulse(heartbeat) of the song. We also created our own class cup song.



Science Fair

The St Hugh of Lincoln 2023 Science Fair has taken place this week. It was lovely to see some of the amazing work produced across the school. There were examples of detailed investigations that had taken place covering all areas of the science curriculum. There were also many research projects that centred on famous scientists and their discoveries. Children across the school were given the time to visit the fair and then later in the week parents, relatives and friends were invited in to see some of the great work produced. The Curriculum Team have worked hard to help judge some of the entries and produced posters to encourage parents to visit during the after school session. Well done team!

We look forward to taking some of the winning KS2 projects to the grand final at Royal Holloway University later this month when the children will have the opportunity to look at other projects produced by other schools and visit some of the exhibits that are run by people working in the field of science.



Swimming Lessons for Year 5 and 6

The national Curriculum states that:

All schools must provide swimming instruction either in key stage 1 or key stage 2. In particular, pupils should be taught to swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres. In line with this, we are delighted to be able to offer swimming instruction at school for years 5 and 6 during the summer term. There will be a charge for this however, the children will benefit from a whole week of swimming lessons in focussed groups on our site. All children will get this fantastic opportunity when they are in year 5 and Year 6. It will be made possible by having a temporary pool installed on site for a two week period. [Pools to Schools \(eliteswimming.co.uk\)](http://eliteswimming.co.uk) More details to follow!

Planet Soccer Link for bookings

Planet Soccer will be running a multisport camp during the Easter holidays. Please see the links below.

Easter holidays - <https://bookwhen.com/planetsoccercamps94>

Developing Language and Communication Workshop

Tuesday 28th March at 2. 30 pm

Good language and communication skills are essential to develop your child's learning.

On Tuesday 28th March at 2. 30 pm, we are running a workshop on how to develop your child's language and understanding. We will look at questions you could ask when hearing your child read and how to encourage and extend your child's vocabulary. All welcome and refreshments are provided. Please ask Mrs Pickard for more information.

For Home Learning Phonics/Early Reading Read Write Inc. - Virtual Classroom films

Please see below the links for each phonics group to complete at home. Please set aside 10 minutes to watch the film with your child at least three times a week. Please find a quiet space for your child to watch the film on a laptop or tablet. Please praise your child as he/she joins in with the lesson.

Reception- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/PoYMWyUu/dOlqLSdF> and <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/PD5QUiPX/HTnacSGh>

Reception Ditty Group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/qtCsVgEk/e38V00ks>

Reception Red Group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/BEa1HG60/AFMWZpYP>

Pink Group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/kMDUfhT9/Dkjhnprt>

Yellow Group-

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/b4jTt8CC/qWzmQKPk> and <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/g4Oo0QNX/c6vU25Jh>

Blue

Group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/cp1q9TPX/eabSPy9s> and <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/iR7w37fq/3Ny5pUP4>

Grey

Group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/kNJT7j34/qMnjA2M7> and <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/pABJzALm/djCmpHY1>

Transitioning to Secondary school

Here is a link to a parent webinar which offers advice and support on how to help your child with their transition to secondary school. We think you will find the webinar really helpful and hope you can attend.

Who is Eikon? Eikon is an award-winning charity that has been working in local Surrey communities for over two decades. We provide long-term support to some of the county's most vulnerable young people. Our vision is to develop happy, thriving, and resilient young adults who make a positive contribution to society.

[Supporting your Child with the Transition to Secondary School](#)

Thursday 23rd March 19.00-20.00 [register here](#)

SEND Update

Woking family centre are running a support group for parents of children with SEND. Please see details in the newsletters below.

SEND GROUP FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Special, Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)



Free support group for parents and carers with children aged 0-16 with pre or diagnosed SEND.

The course will cover topics like:

- Back to school and discussions around EHCP's
- Boundaries and useful parenting tools
- Accessing useful websites and other support networks
- Support on applying for DLA and other funding options.



For further information, visit
www.woking.gov.uk/familysupport
Register your interest with us on email
familysupport@woking.gov.uk or call
01483 743 812



PLAY & LEARN PLUS FOR PARENTS & CARERS*



Free sensory play and learning sessions for children (0-5 years) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), pre and post diagnosis. Siblings welcome.

Sessions are all year round and will provide:

- Interactive and specialist play opportunities
- Access to professional advice from Woking Family Centres, Homestart and partners
- Signposting to further Woking Family Centres Services
- Safe space to meet other parents and carers of SEND children.



* Priority will be given to families living in Woking borough.



For more information, visit
www.woking.gov.uk/familysupport
Register your interest with us on email
familysupport@woking.gov.uk or call
01483 743 812



Medical Advice – Frimley health Authority

Frimley Healthier Together has asked us to share the following information.

They would like to support parents and carers in feeling more confident to provide self-care for unwell babies, children, and young people, alongside knowing when and where to seek further medical help based upon symptoms, NHS Frimley are hosting an online event with local GP's, Dr Alex Streeter de Diego and Dr Sabina Shaik.

Together, they will guide parents, carers, and professionals through the Frimley Healthier Together website and App, demonstrating:

- How to find NHS traffic light guidance on symptoms like fever or cold.
- How to find local support services for children and young people e.g., mental health support.
- Symptoms that mean a child can go about their usual daily routine, and those that mean they should stay home to recover.
- Content within the Healthier Together App, and how to download it.
- Plus, they will be hosting a Q&A session.

Expected to last around 45 minutes, the session will run at **13:00 on Tuesday 21st March**, online.

Sign up here - bit.ly/FHTMar23

They welcome parents, carers and professionals who are working with children and young people, to join us.

Further sessions will be scheduled for later in the year.



Looking for medical advice about an unwell child?

Parents and carers often ask us what to do, and when to be worried by a child's symptoms. In response, we created the Frimley Healthier Together website and App, meaning you have access to a mini doctor on your device.

Be ready for the next time a child you care for is unwell. Join local GP's, Dr Alex Streeter de Diego and Dr Sabina Shaik as they show you Frimley Healthier Together, demonstrating:

- How to find NHS traffic light guidance on symptoms like fever or cold
- Signposting to local support services for children and young people
- Symptoms meaning a child can go about their usual routine, or should stay home
- The App, and how to download it
- Plus a Q&A session.

Tue 21st March from 1 – 1:45 via Teams
Sign up today - bit.ly/FHTMar23

NHS

Healthier Together
Improving the health of babies, children and young people throughout Frimley



Dates for your Diary

March

21st and 23rd March - Parent Consultation Meetings – on School Cloud 3.30pm-6.00pm

Year 5 Parent Consultations 21st and 28th March – on School Cloud 3.30pm-6.00pm

Friday 31st March – End of Spring Term MUFTI day in support of our Lenten charity– The Catholic Children's Society. Early finish 1.00pm

Reception Learn and Share sessions: Please arrive at 2.45 via the main entrance (by the office) where you can collect your child from their YR classroom to share their learning with you in the school hall. The session will finish by 3.15. The next session will be on Friday 26th May 2023

April

17th April – Return to School

25th April – Friends Meeting at the School

May

8th May – Bank holiday – King's Coronation

9th-12th May – Sats Week

15th May Year 6 Swimming lessons

22nd May Year 5 Swimming lessons

Class Masses

We are delighted to announce that Class Masses are well underway this term. They will be celebrated by either Fr Rob or Fr Nick and parents of the children in the class are invited to attend. Here are the dates:

Y3 Mass Thurs 23rd Mar @9.00am in hall

Y2 Liturgy Thurs 27th Apr @9.00am in hall

Y1 Liturgy Thurs 25th May @9.00am in hall

YR Liturgy Thurs 22nd June @9.00am in hall

Safeguarding contact reminder

We seek to provide a safe and happy environment for all children. This means that we have a Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy and procedures in place. If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard, and report to Mrs Grace, Mrs Pickard or Mr Davies or dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk as soon as possible the same day.

