

St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

14th March 2024

John 3:14-21

Dates for the diary

19th March – Parents Evening on School Cloud 3.30pm – 6.15pm 21st March – Parents Evening on School Cloud 3.30pm -6.15pm 28th March – Break up for Easter – finish at 1pm 15th April – Return to school 30th April – Return to school 30th April – Woking and Surrey Heath Music Festival for the school choir – details to follow



Do not forget to check out our twitter feed on X https://twitter.com/StHugh School.

Mrs Grace

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

Dear parents and carers,

We believe in the truth of the Gospel, the teachings of Christ has the power to save us. The ultimate goal, and the greatest prize is actually something we can barely comprehend, a glorious eternity with God in heaven. Offering the children in our care the opportunity to discover this truth, and attain this prize is one of the greatest gifts a Catholic education has to offer. We do this by encouraging open minds and open hearts, thus leaving the door to enlightenment at least ajar as they go out into the world.

With open minds to learning, our children continue to amaze us in everything they do. It was an enormous pleasure to accompany Year 4 to their choral performance at St Dunstan's Church alongside other catholic schools. What a sublime experience to hear them sing with such confidence. It is really wonderful when our children go out into the community and represent us in such a positive way exemplifying excellent behaviour and respect.

The Science Fair was another highlight this week. I'm certain that the standard of entry to the competition is rising. Thank you to everyone at home who has inspired the children to conduct their experiments with such enthusiasm. It was fantastic to talk with the children about their investigations and discoveries. Well done to all our talented Science Fair entrants! Thank you also Mr Davies for your hard work in making this happen once again.

Have a relaxing slightly longer weekend and I look forward to seeing you on the gate on Monday morning.

God bless. Mrs Grace





News at St Hughs

Science Fair – March 2024

The St Hugh of Lincoln 2024 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 ACS International school 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.





News at St Hughs

Lunchtime Chess Club



* Encourages thinking ahead *

* Proven to raise IQ *

* Increases problem solving skills *

* Improves concentration *

My name is Paul Welling and I teach in numerous local schools, including SJB, as well as chess clubs. I am looking forward to starting a chess club at St Hugh's, which will cater for beginners and children who can already play.

Once the children can all play to a certain standard, I will then organise inter school matches to give all pupils who want to, the opportunity to represent their school at chess.

For the last 4 years I have entered some students into the Delancey Chess Competition which is the biggest Junior event in the world! One of my players won the Surrey megafinal stage with 6 out of 6 wins in the Under 7 section and one of my Under 12s got through to the Challenger stage which is the top 1% of players in the country. I am a strong believer in the life skills chess brings.

This all sounds serious. I will of, course, start the chess club at your school from the beginning with the main emphasis being on having fun and let's see where the journey will take us!

Available to book now!!

Sessions will run between Monday 22nd April and Monday 15th July 2024 (11 weeks)

Time: Lunchtimes 12.45-1.15pm Price: £38.50 (£3.50 per session)

Contact Paul on 07973 551860 or pauldavewelling@gmail.com

Reception – Saint Bernadette

Reception are really enjoying exploring their class text, *Busy Spring: Nature Wakes Up.* Despite the rain, they found an opportunity to get out into our school grounds to be 'Nature Detectives' as they looked for signs of spring. They were so excited to see nature starting to wake up all around them as they spotted flowers blooming, new shoots emerging from the ground and new leaf buds starting to appear on bare bushes and trees. They enjoyed closing their eyes and appreciating the beautiful birdsong. We were even treated to an amazing aerial display of swooping and gliding from a pair of red kites! The children spotted a nest that has been made as birds prepare to lay their eggs and there were even some buzzy bees in the air! In our Creation Garden, the children took the opportunity to thank God for the wonderful gift of nature all around us with a quiet moment of prayer.







Ditty Group: <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/qsQwDrUz/2xlr8nnS</u> Red Group: <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/dm8sokuL/yJ3KiEoZ</u> Green Group: <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/fmLnJDWe/5qRokyfB</u>

Year I – Saint George

This week in History we have been learning about more significant explorers. We have been discussing the race to the south pole between Amundsen and Captain Scott. The children used their oracy skills of building and challenging to have a debate in groups of four. We had some children who believe Captain Scott was the best explorer because he was from England and he tried his best. While other children believed Amundsen was the better explorer because he had more equipment and he won the race.

Well done to the members of our class who entered the Science Fair. We felt very proud of our friends when we visited the Science Fair on Monday afternoon.



Read Write Inc. Phonics

Phonics:

Orange Group: <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/OIfQWBRT/diHpZSGS</u> Yellow Group: <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/YjGuY8m0/f2b26A84</u> Blue Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/T3MDK64g/qHx3qy9W



Year 2 – Saint Francis

We had a great week full of learning in Year 2. In English we were focusing on Grammar and the difference in between a noun and an adjective. We explored nouns into more details and we classified nouns into proper/common and name of a person/object/thing/place. In maths we finished our Multiplication and Division unit and now we started Length and Measure. We used our rulers to measure objects in our tables in centimetres and we made sure the object was lined up with the first line of the ruler. In DT we are on the final stages of our fairground wheel projects, next week we will make the final touches and test if they spin. In RE we learned about Palm Sunday and how people felt when Jesus entered Jerusalem. The highlight of our week was Science: last week we planted some seeds (beans, coriander, sunflower) and this week we learned that some plants can also grow from bulbs. We planted a daffodil bulb each and we were delighted to see that they all grew and bloom in only a few days! Plants are fascinating!





Mrs Avery's group: <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/9ltyKIJS/BF46nqHS</u>



This week's spelling rule: If a word ends in -y, swap the y for an i before adding -ed. For example: try \rightarrow tr<u>ied</u>, copy \rightarrow cop<u>ied</u>

Recap these red words: friend, people, because, would, could



Year 3 – Saint Veronica

We have become cartographers in Year 3. This week we tried to turn our globes into maps. We had to flatten them which presented us with a number of problems. We have thought about the issues map makers have representing a sphere on a 2D piece of paper. We have discussed how we can over come some of these problems and are now creating our own beautiful maps with continents, ocean and lines of longitude and latitude.





Read Write Inc. Spelling

Our spelling rule this week ending in -ture: The ending sounds like chuh but can be spelt –ture eg adventure, mixture, picture, furniture, temperature

Our orange words are: everybody, eye, fast, experiment, extreme, famous

Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Today Year 4 took part in the Choral Day at St Dunstan's Church. We hope you all enjoyed the performance. Please check our twitter feed as pictures will be uploaded shortly - https://twitter.com/StHughSchool.





Year 5 – Saint Raphael

Even though, this week we were writing our termly tests, the children have shown great resilience towards Maths. We continued our unit on decimals and used manipulatives to demonstrate our knowledge on place value. Well done Year 5, you should all be extremely proud of yourselves. You have worked really hard this week. I am beyond proud of you!

Our 6 orange words are: relevant, average, government, environment, bargain, accompany





Year 6 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

This week the year 6 children have enjoyed viewing an Enact performance as part of their PSHE learning. Enact is a healthy relationships project funded by the Home Office, which this year has covered the role of the NHS in peoples lives and the benefits of it since its foundation. The performance started with a time portal opening and a flashback to Florence Nightingale and her work with hospitals prior to the foundation of the NHS shortly after t he second world war. It culminated with a physiotherapist answering the children's questions about what it is like to work within her role within the NHS. The children loved the performances of the theatre crew and spoke of how much they learned from the experience.



Read Wri

Our spelling rule this week is: Spellings ei and ie

Our 6 orange words are: accompany, achieve, amateur, apparent, attached, average





Information Board

Free activity sessions

For 11-16 year olds Local to you, after Easter Sign-up from 1st March onwards

Book your place - scan the code - Join with friends!

- Street Basketball, Judo, Girls Touch Rugby, Boxing, Boccia, Row/Bike/Run
- Friendly, supportive coaches
- Everyone's a beginner
- Make new mates local to you



"It's fun, its free and there's loads and loads of activities you can do" - Lara "We were blown away with the games and what was available" - Parent









Information Board



Skips

www.skipssafetynet.org



Friends News

March events: All our events are updated now on the Friends Calender. Calendar 2024 (sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk)

18th March Friends meeting open for all in the Parish church hall with popcorn and film/activities for children, drinks and nibbles for adults. We are looking for volunteers to help with the crafts and film with the children. Please let Anna Larkham, Ingrid Stevens or Gosia Milbank know if you would be willing to support us.

22nd March Y5 Bake sale

Saturday 23rd March 10am-12pm Easter Egg treasure hunt hosted by The Friends and Woking Lions Charity (see poster)for all families and their friends.

Tickets are on sale on class list. A fabulous prize for everyone who cracks the clue and treats along the way too! Plus the Easter Bunny will be visiting too! Parents are to stay with children as this is a weekend and a family event.

Arrive whenever you want between 10-12

If we don't get enough uptake from ticket sales then sadly we will have to cancel this event.

