



# St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

## Dates for the diary

### Month

**23<sup>rd</sup> January** Safer Internet Workshops – Sharon Girling OBE

**30<sup>th</sup> January** – Maths Workshop for parents and carers.

**9<sup>th</sup> February** – Break up for Half Term 3.15 finish

**19<sup>th</sup> February** – Return to school

**1<sup>st</sup> March** – Y1 Class Liturgy 9.00

**7<sup>th</sup> March** – World Book Day

**28<sup>th</sup> March** – Break up for Easter

## Mrs Grace

Dear parents and carers,

In our Gospel this week we heard how Andrew, who had been one of John the Baptist's followers, left John to follow Jesus. It was Andrew who then recruited his brother, Simon, renamed Peter (Rock) by Jesus, who in turn went on to found the Church on Earth. Andrew's positive response to the calling he felt to follow Jesus, therefore, proved to be crucial.

In Collective worship, we reflected on how we can be like Andrew ready to follow Jesus when he calls us. The children in our school always show that they are ready to act as true followers of Jesus as you will, no doubt, see in this week's newsletter.

There were many highlights this week. Thank you to Tom Holloway for leading an absolutely superb Stargazing event on a very clear, cold night on Monday. His fascinating tour of the night sky was absolutely wonderful and we all learnt so much. Clarinet lessons continue in Year 5 and this week the children learned how to assemble the instrument and play E to a rhythm. We learned about how our bodies function and how to stay healthy with Mark Fisher from the Life Space. Then the week was rounded off with a beautiful Liturgy with Father Rob and Year 2. It was really lovely to see so many Year 2 parents in attendance.

Have a great weekend everyone!

God bless!

Mrs Grace



## News at St Hughs

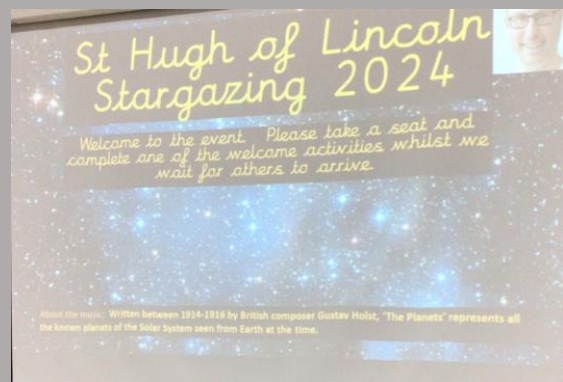
Mark Fisher from The Life Space helped us understand how our bodies work and how to make healthy choices. Thank you Mark for such an informative day.





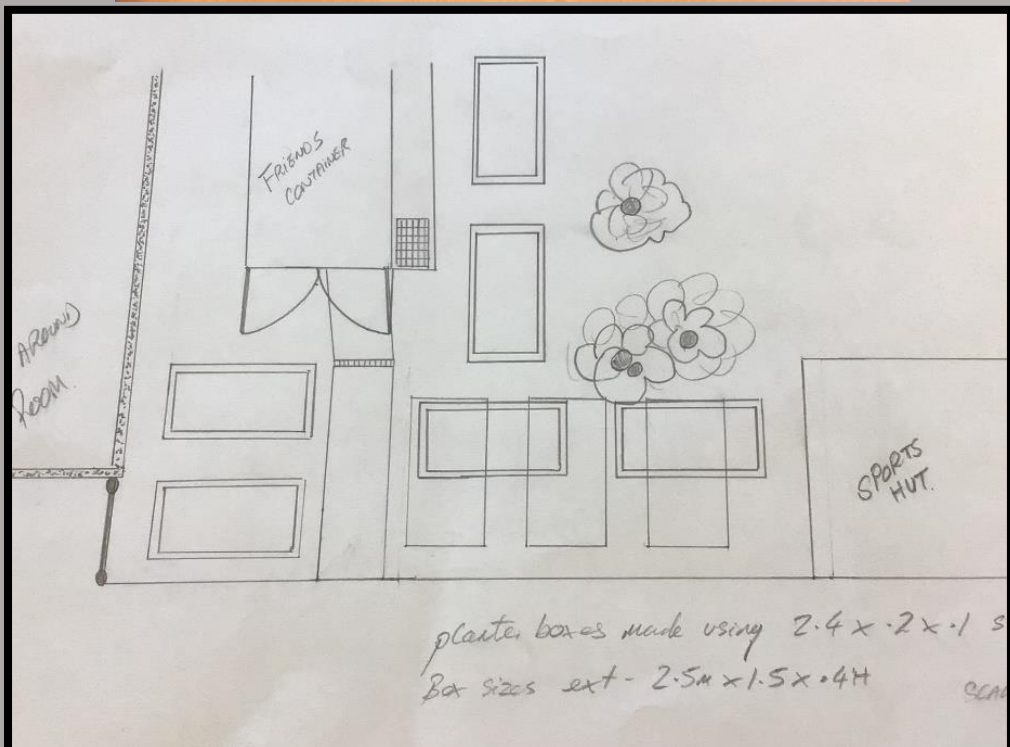
## News at St Hughs

Many of the year 5 and 6 children along with some other Key Stage 2 children enjoyed an evening of stargazing earlier in the week. They were blessed with clear skies, which allowed astronomer expert Tom Holloway to guide the children on the different constellations and planets that could be viewed in the night sky. Many of the children and adults were able to located many different types of constellations such as Orient's Belt and Ursa Minor. We were amazed also to be able to see clearly in the night sky the gas giant Jupiter. The evening ended with a rocket launch, where all the children used an alka seltzer and a photo canister to create a build up of pressure to launch the canister into the air.



## News at St Hughs

The School Council in action – sharing ideas and planning a new garden space with Mr Scalzo our caretaker.



## News at St Hughs

### School Library Audit

The Schools Library Service is conducting an audit in our school library on January 25<sup>th</sup> and as a result all library books need to be in school to be checked.

Could we ask for all library books to be returned to school on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January** in preparation - the children will be able to have the same book back following completion of the audit.

The school will be charged by the library service for missing books over our allotted allocation so please ensure any books you have at home are returned to school by the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

SLS provides not only a range of targeted reading texts for our children but topic books to support our curriculum and we are extremely lucky to have such fantastic resources in our library. Many thanks for your co-operation.



  
GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL

# CHORISTER EXPERIENCE Day

**Does your child love to sing?  
Are they aged 6-11?**

Come along to Guildford Cathedral for the afternoon to sing with our expert musicians and to explore parts of the building you won't normally see. This is the biggest space in Guildford to sing in and we have a fantastic pipe organ to help you and to sound out into the space. Meet our team, have fun with others, end your experience by the once in a lifetime opportunity to sing with the Cathedral choir and enjoy our chorister experience day - all are welcome!

- Explore the Cathedral
- Learn songs together
- Tea
- Sing a service with Guildford Cathedral Choir
- £8 per child

**GIRLS AND BOYS** aged 6-11  
Children must be accompanied by an adult

**SATURDAY**  
**20 JANUARY 2024**  
**2pm-6pm**

**BOX OFFICE AND REGISTER**  
[www.guildford-cathedral.org/events/boxoffice/709](http://www.guildford-cathedral.org/events/boxoffice/709)

**CONTACT**  
[liturgymusic@guildford-cathedral.org](mailto:liturgymusic@guildford-cathedral.org)

[www.guildford-cathedral.org](http://www.guildford-cathedral.org)



# Reception – Saint Bernadette

Reception have been continuing to learn about where the food we eat comes from and were amazed to see how simple it is to make delicious bread with so few ingredients! The children loved tasting the bread that they made. Thanks to Mrs Small for preparing us some additional loaves to enjoy! On Wednesday, the children and a wonderful team of parent and grandparent helpers supported the children to make their own pizzas! Thank you Pizza Express Woking and all our helpers for helping to provide such an enriching experience for our children. Reception were such fantastic ambassadors for our school with their impeccable behaviour! Well done children! We hope you enjoyed eating your pizzas!



**Read Write Inc.**  
**Phonics**

Blending Books Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/7xyXTYZB/s3SSWf16>

Ditty Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/CUqlrF6b/MyWfdyo7>

Red Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/RnZIG6NO/bFRRtQNv>





# Year 1 - Saint George

This week in our Geography lesson we focused heavily on learning geographical vocabulary associated with coastlines (groynes, cliffs, coastguard and buoys).

To support our learning, we listened to the Shirley Hughes story, "Lucy and Tom at the Seaside" and then we created models of the coastline that we labelled with the correct vocabulary



**Read Write Inc.**  
Phonics

## Phonics:

Pink Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/s1ryf0aZ/ywvhlbqv>

Yellow Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Gqce0znA/Km7L9Pzm>

Blue Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/6cKsZQ9h/3wmK1Hxv>





# Year 2 – Saint Francis

What a great week we had in Year 2! We have been writing a fact file about foxes, learning how to add different amounts of money in maths, learning about how Jesus is described by the Gospel writers in the Bible, exploring how some objects change when applying a force in science, creating new colour paints in art, and much more. We would like to share a special adventure we had last Friday during our local walk to the shops at St John's Village. We had so much fun investigating where our food comes from and discussing how many local products we have and how many of them are exported from different countries. We also completed a map of the main road, labelling all the shops we could see and the lovely Basingstoke canal. A huge thank you to the parents that could come as helpers. It was an unforgettable afternoon!



**Read Write Inc.**  
Phonics

**Read Write Inc.**  
Spelling

Mrs Avery's group:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/2mg7w6E8/wUZrT5vA>

**This week's spelling rule: If a word ends in –e, drop the e before adding -ing. For example, battle-battling, rule-ruling.**

Orange/red words: be, should, do, no, once, here.

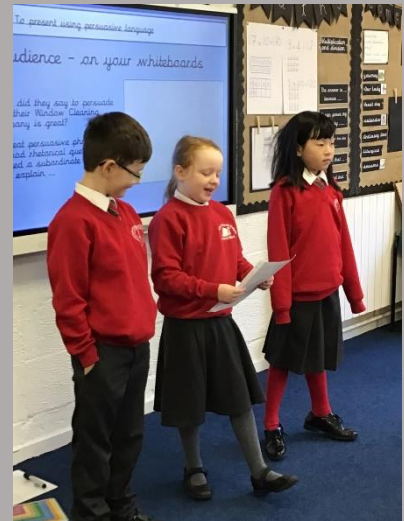




# Year 3 – Saint Veronica

This term, Year 3 have been reading 'The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me' by Roald Dahl. We have been using our knowledge of persuasive language to write and perform radio or TV adverts for our own ladderless window cleaning companies.

We had so much fun presenting our adverts to the rest of the class, and thought carefully about our posture, voice projection and talking speed during our performance.



**Read Write Inc.**  
Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is words is adding the suffix –es: We swap the y for an i before adding es eg body – bodies, reply – replies

Our orange words are: **brother, buy, by Circle, complete, certain**

# Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

This week in Science, the Year 4 children have thoroughly enjoyed developing their learning on the Human Digestive System.

For the main activity, children were put into groups and were tasked with creating and digesting a banana and chocolate sandwich. Throughout the different stages of the activity, children were asked to identify which process of digestion was being carried out. It was great to see all the children being able to confidently describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. Well done Year 4!



**Our spelling rule this week is: adding the suffix – es**  
e.g. replies, fries, carries.



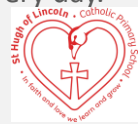
**Orange words: guard, forwards, experiment, extreme, fruit, guide.**





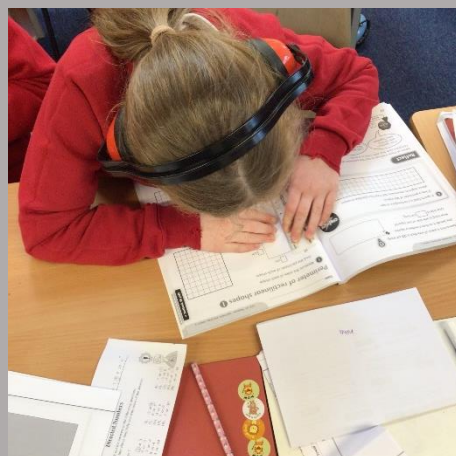
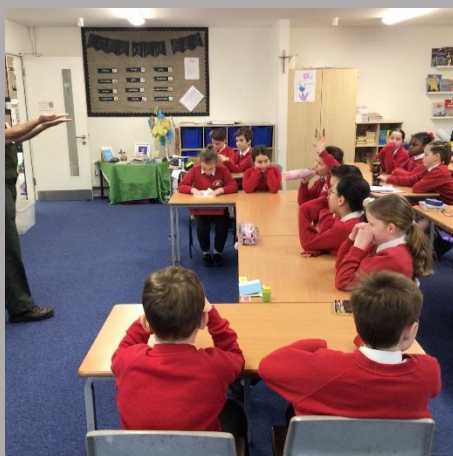
# Year 5 – Saint Raphael

The children have enjoyed their first two weeks back at school! We have most certainly been very busy this week. On Monday, we had our star gazing event which was very successful and on Wednesday, we had the Life Bus event to learn how to keep ourselves safe. In English, we wrote a persuasive letter to Rosie to convince her to let Jim stay with her and the children have produced an excellent piece of work! They enjoyed maths, as they had to take measurements of rectilinear shapes to work out the perimeter. In science we had a very messy afternoon separating mixtures! We have also written gratitude messages on leaves and bees cards and decorated them for Blue Monday and they are currently hanging on our class tree, so that we can be reminded of what we are grateful for every day. They are also thoroughly enjoying their music lessons.



**Our spelling rule this week is: words ending in *shus* spelt *cious***

**Our 6 orange words are:** community, existence, leisure, neighbour, define, embarrass



# Year 6 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

The year 6 children have enjoyed creating their own Visio Divina in their final RE lesson this week. The children created their own Visio Divina on Microsoft Powerpoint including images, questions and statements to help the listener reflect with deeper spiritual understanding of the images. Recently we have been looking at John within the bible and reflecting on what John tells us about Jesus through his writing on the miracles Jesus performed. The children have enjoyed learning about these miracles and thinking more deeply about what this means to them. We have been impressed with the fantastic effort they have shown throughout this unit of work. Well done Year 6!



## Read Write Inc. Spelling

**Our spelling rule this week is:** Other ways of making the tion sound.

**Our 6 orange words are:** develop, neighbour, community, embarrass, sacrifice, recognise





## YMCA EAST SURREY

# Community Wellbeing Team Parent/Carer Workshops

YMCA East Surrey's Community Wellbeing Team invites you to attend our free online workshops for parents/carers:

- ▶ Talking to your child and supporting them to cope with worries
- ▶ Understanding, expressing and managing emotions

These workshops are suitable for parents/carers with children aged 8+. Our Community Wellbeing team will provide you with information and key strategies to support your child. There will also be time for you to ask any questions that you have via the online chat function.

For dates and times and to book your place, please visit our website:

[www.ymcaeastsurrey.org.uk/parent-workshops/](http://www.ymcaeastsurrey.org.uk/parent-workshops/)

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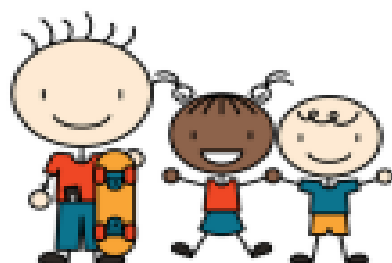


# YMCA

Here for young people  
Here for communities  
Here for you



**FAMILY  
LEARNING**



## **First Steps to Understanding and Responding to my Child: Self-harm Course**

**This FREE three-week ( 2 hour per week) online course will provide parents and carers with an understanding of self-harm among young people, as well as strategies for support and self-care.**

### **What will I learn?**

- **Understand self-harm:** Explore behaviours; why young people may turn to self-harm
- **Cycle of self-harm:** Gain an understanding of its repetitive nature and potential triggers
- **Learn to recognise the signs and behaviours in young people**

**For course dates, more information and to book your place please click on [this link](#) or scan the QR code**





## Information Board

### Safeguarding

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](mailto:dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk) as soon as possible the same day.



## Breakfast and Afterschool Club

### Wraparound – Afterschool Care

Following the success of activity Fridays, we have decided to continue offering shorter sessions on Fridays. The session will run from 3.15pm to 4.30pm and will be available for the price of £7.00. This price includes the usual afterschool snack and lots of fun.

Bookings can be made the usual way through Scopay. Please select the required Friday and use the code H. This code is not valid for any other day but Friday. If you are new to our Afterschool Club, please contact the office for a Registration Form.



## Friends News

**A massive thank you for all the support we received for Bears at Bedtime. Particular thanks go to the parents that gave up their time and helped on the evening, the children had a fabulous time and it ran so smoothly.**

**Many thanks**

**Mrs Barker**

### **HIGHLIGHTS & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.**

- 24th Jan: Happy bags

- 26th Jan: Year 3 Bake sale please remember to bring your own containers.

- 30th Jan: Friends meeting online, all welcome: <https://bit.ly/Friends300124> or QR code



- 1st March: Mothering Day Pop up shop (tickets will be on sale soon, on Classlist)

- CHANGE OF DATE:

- 3rd March: 3- 6pm

KS1 and SEND: 3-4pm Disco in the Parish Hall with lower light and sound.

KS2 4:30-6pm

Tickets will be on sale soon and will be a pre-sale only (no door admission). Classes will receive their stall allocation soon so they can organise rotas. There are a couple of remaining discounted tickets for children of people who can volunteer to help on the evening.

### **We are looking for volunteers for the following positions.**

If you think you could help please ask one of the committee.

**Second hand Uniform Manager**

**Meeting Volunteer** to oversee the children ( different volunteer every meet is fine)