

St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

26th January 2024

Dates for the diary

Month

school

Easter

31st January – Maths Workshop for parents and carers 5pm

9th February – Break up for Half Term 3.15pm finish 19th February – Return to

1st March – Y1 Class Liturgy 9.00am

7th **March** – World Book Day **14**th **March** – Choral Day for year 4 with other schools at St Dunstan's Church and concert in the church for parents 3.45pm-4.15pm approx.

19th March – Parents Evenings on School Cloud 3.30pm – 6.15pm

21st March – Parents evening on School Cloud 3.30pm -6.15pm 28th March – Break up for

Mrs Grace

Dear parents and carers,

This week's Gospel passage offers a different account of the fishermen Andrew and Simon (Peter) being called to follow Jesus. This passage is memorable for Jesus' promise to make them "fishers of men", indicating their calling to become people who would save others through sharing the Good News.

The children in our care, at St Hugh of Lincoln, get one go at education, one chance for us to instil Gospel values, develop their faith and equip them with opportunities and qualifications that will enable them to live the full lives that God intends for them in the future. This is important and challenging work, but it is what God has called us to do. We believe that we can't afford to be anything less than 100% committed to God's call as every day we strive to provide the best education and pastoral support possible for all our children. We are always so grateful to you for your ongoing support for our mission.

May I draw your attention to the notices in the 'News at St Hugh's section of the newsletter about the structure of the school day and punctuality and Sharon Girling's visit. I hope you enjoy finding out about what your wonderful children have been up to this week at school.

Have a great weekend everyone! God bless! Mrs Grace







News at St Hughs



Thank you to our wonderful School Council who, over the last few weeks, have been thinking of how we can remember our school values more easily. They came up with the idea of using the word GOSPEL represent a letter from each value. We think it really works! Well done School Council!





News at St Hughs

Online Safety matters!

We were so lucky to be visited this week by Sharon Girling OBE.



Sharon GIRLING OBE is a former law enforcement officer with extensive experience in developing and initiating national and international entities responding to child abuse.

The children were reminded about the SMART rules when going on line on their devices and they were taught about how to stay safe remembering never to disclose any personal information about themselves. Our Digital Leaders had a meeting with Sharon and they plan to survey the children about their online habits and then later in the school year, they would like to invite parents in to school so they can present their findings to you. You will find top tips from Sharon on our website in the Online Safety section.

As soon as I receive her report of the visit, I will send it out to parents. In the meantime, we want to remind all parents and children who bring a phone onto school property not to take any photos.

Dear Mrs Grace,

Thank you very much for hosting me this week.

I just wanted to send you an email to say how amazingly well behaved and engaged the children were, it made teaching them a joy. Thanks to you and the staff as well for permitting the sessions to flow as they did and allowing me the extra time for some of them.

It was also fantastic to see Mr O'Donovan there in his role as Chair and his genuine interest in the children being safe online was great to see.

Finally, I really must compliment you on how clean and tidy the school is, it is hard to believe children are in there! Sharon Girling OBE Director Girling Hughes Associates



School Day

Please ensure that your child arrives in school on time. The gate must close at 8.45am but children can come in from 8.30am when they will have early morning activities to do from the moment they arrive. This helps them to deepen their knowledge and understanding of concepts and allows them to feel calm and ready for the day. If children arrive at 8.45 or later, they will miss out on this opportunity.

Our school day – an example of a typical day for KS1 upwards

- **8.30 am** gate opens. Early morning activities are available in class for children to complete to support and develop their learning in English and Maths
- 8.45 am registration and spelling
- 9.00am session 1 reading lesson or phonics
- 9.30am session 2 writing lesson
- 10.30am Collective Worship
- **10.45** am break
- 11.00am session 3 maths lesson
- **12.15am** lunch
- 1.15am session 4: foundation subject
- 2.15am session 5: foundation subject

Reception - Saint Bernadette

Reception have been thinking about food that grows in a different part of the world as they have explored and enjoyed the classic story of Handa's Surprise. We have thought about the rural part of Kenya where the story is set and how it compares to our environment here in St. John's, Woking. We all agreed that the weather, landscape, plant and animal life is all very different based on the clues in the story and what we have learnt from photos, videos, atlases, maps and globes! The children have engaged in lots of fantastic dialogue about the story and what they have learnt about this part of Kenya.





Blending Books Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Rqnv4INs/mhKOKa1I
Ditty Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/eyoH5RE9/H5p6BlcK
Red Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/fkCrxAMS/5DqbXh0T









Year I - Saint George

This week in In Design and Technology, we have been exploring different ways of joining fabrics before creating our own hand puppets. Throughout this topic year 1 have worked hard to develop their technical skills of sewing, cutting, gluing, stapling and pinning.

On Tuesday we learnt about the four top tips of staying safe on the internet. 1. People we don't know are strangers. 2. Be kind and nice to people on our devices. 3. Keep our information safe. 4. If we get a 'funny tummy' feeling you should tell a grown-up we trust.



Read Write Inc. Phonics

Phonics:

Pink Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/8MoGB3O8/pQZYsluJ Yellow Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/jGFpxM43/umUE7nba



Year 2 - Saint Francis

What a great week we had in Year 2! We have been writing a poster to inform Woking residents how to keep foxes away from their gardens, inspired by the book The Fox and the Star that we read. We were also deepen our learning about money in maths making different amounts with pound and pence, exploring the flexibility of some objects in science, we visited our school kitchen to talk to Mrs Small about what types of food we make from scratch in school and what food we get delivered, and in Art we made different textures using objects and paint. In RE we have been learning about the Baptism of Jesus and the different part of a mass, explaining in detail the part where the priest reads the Gospel. We role-played as we were priests and altar boys and girls and learned our responses to the Gospel reading.





Mrs Avery's group:

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/9K1QMTLT/nmcJvFu1

This week's spelling rule: There are a few verbs that end in -ie such as: *lie, die, tie.* We have to swap the -ie for a -y before adding -ing. For example: lie - lying

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









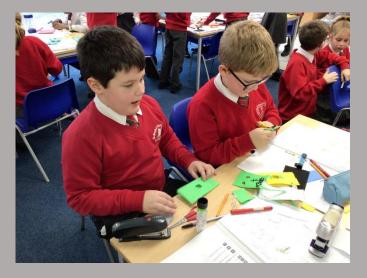
Year 3 - Saint Veronica

This half term in DT we are learning about the digital revolution and making echarms. We used a template to create a foam pouch. Next week, we will be programming a flashing Led panel on a micro; bit - to go in our pouches.











Read Write Inc. Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is words is adding the prefixes dis and in: We do not have to change the root word and both prefixes mean not or opposite eg incomplete, independent, dishonest, disapprove

Our orange words are: caught, child, children, continue, decide, describe

Year 4 - Saint Teresa of Calcutta

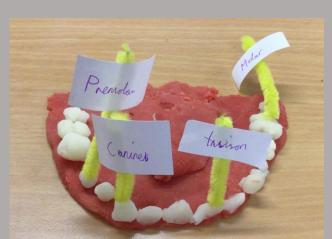
This week in Science, the Year 4 children have been identifying different types of teeth in humans and their functions. Children enjoyed using mirrors to take a closer look at their teeth and were able to recognise the different types of teeth in their mouths. Following on, children were tasked with the activity of creating their own set of teeth using playdoh and identified with labels which teeth were 'incisors', 'canines', 'pre molars' and 'molars'.



Our spelling rule this week is: Recapping words ending in 'el' and words ending in 'le'.

Orange words: material, often, possession, favourite, famous, special.











Year 5 - Saint Raphael

We have been very busy this week. We had an ex police officer in to come and talk to us about our online safety and how to stay safe online and think about how we use the internet and communicate with our friends. We also had our trip to the Planetarium and that was a lot of fun! In English, we wrote a suspenseful piece of writing where Jim is trying to escape! Again, they are also thoroughly enjoying their music lessons. In PE, we are learning how to stretch our bodies as we are doing gymnastics, please see photos attached and ask them about it. It must be their favourite lesson of all!



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



Our 6 orange words are: individual, criticise, dictionary, equipment, frequently, familiar



















Year 6 - Saint Maximilian Kolbe

The year 6 children had fun within their investigation this week as they looked at what conditions might make bread develop mould more quickly. Each group needed to select the equipment they needed to independently within a team plan out a variable to change within their investigation. Some have planned to add moisture to one of their bread samples, whilst keeping the other one dry, others have decided to change another variable like the temperature of where the slices are placed. Many groups had great ideas as to how to ensure the was kept fair and we look forward to concluding our results next week. Some great science learning, well done year 6!



Our spelling rule this week is: Other ways of making the tion sound. Our 6 orange words are: develop, neighbour, community, embarrass, sacrifice, recognise





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 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 to those that donated to happy bags. We are pleased to announce that we raised £190. The next collection is on 19th April. Thank you!

HIGHLIGHTS & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

- **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



Did you know you can raise money for St Hugh's while

booking your holiday? <u>Easy Fundraising</u> and <u>Give as you Live</u> are two sites where you can earn a percentage donation to St Hugh's when you book your holiday. Below are just some of the holiday companies where you can earn cash back for the school – please do sign up before you book. Search for **the Friends of St Hugh's** on both sites to

sign up and start earning.





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)