

# St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School In faith and love, we learn and grow



## Newsletter 9th June 2023

Dear Parents and carers,

As we returned this week to what has been a very busy and active week the children have really been living out our school mission. "Love in action" is a reality that is lived out in our school: the welcome we offer both to those we know and those joining or visiting us; the accompaniment and support we give to each other, the acceptance of each other and the forgiveness and mercy we show to those who make mistakes. God's love is very much present at St Hugh of Lincoln. Enjoy looking at the photos taken on the field at playtime today (when KS1 joined KS2) to see this on show.

We are all really looking forward to welcoming Bishop Richard Moth to the school next Friday. The children have been practising for their liturgy with him in Collective Worship today. If they have any words, to read please help them to practice at home. I have talked to all the children about how important it is for the Bishop to see us at our very best so they need to come to school dressed in smart school uniform. No trainers, or socks with logos should be worn.

God Bless Mrs Grace Head of School.

























## Reception

In Year R we have been working across the curriculum. We have been learning about under the sea in Literacy with Miss Scott. We created a textured water, made with bubble wrap and different shades of blue. We were mixing blue with white, it made the sea come to life. In RE Mrs Barker taught us about how St Peter walked on water because he believed and trusted in Jesus. The children recreated the story on their sea. Amazing work year R. Miss Scott and Mrs Barker are very proud of you.













### Year 1 Geography and PSHE

Year 1 were very lucky to receive a caterpillar kit which was kindly donated by Mrs Parker. Over the last few weeks, we have been doing some research about caterpillars and butterflies. We learnt that when a butterfly leaves their chrysalides, they release Meconium.

When we arrived back to school on Monday we noticed that the butterflies had emerged from their cocoons and were ready to be released. Before we released our butterflies in the creation garden, we all sent our prayers to Jesus asking him to protect and look after them.

Once again thank you for joining us for our class liturgy on Tuesday. Mrs Coe and I appreciate all the support you have given us this year and it was a joy to hear their beautiful singing.



This week in Year 2 we have started a new topic in our History learning called Local Heroes. The children have been learning about our local heroes and also learning about chronological order. They were able to discuss what makes a hero and identify qualities of people who are considered heroes. They had fun locating these people's lives on a timeline.







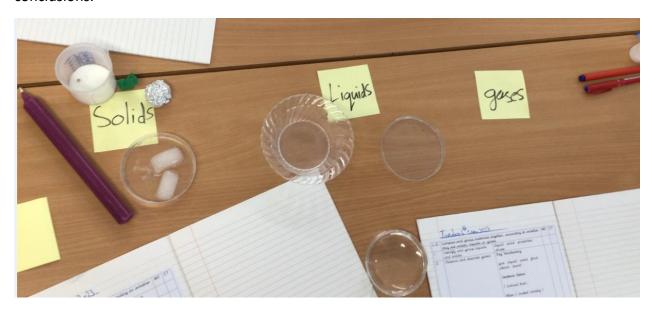
Our PSHE topic is Healthy Me. We started by setting ourselves a fitness challenge, these range from learning to do 4 keepie-uppies, to swimming a length or riding a bikes without stabilisers. This week we looked at healthier choices, we explored food packaging to see how it could help us make informed choices. We also worked as a team to work out how much sugar was in different types of processed foods — we were very surprised to find out the blueberry muffin contained more sugar than the chocolate biscuit.





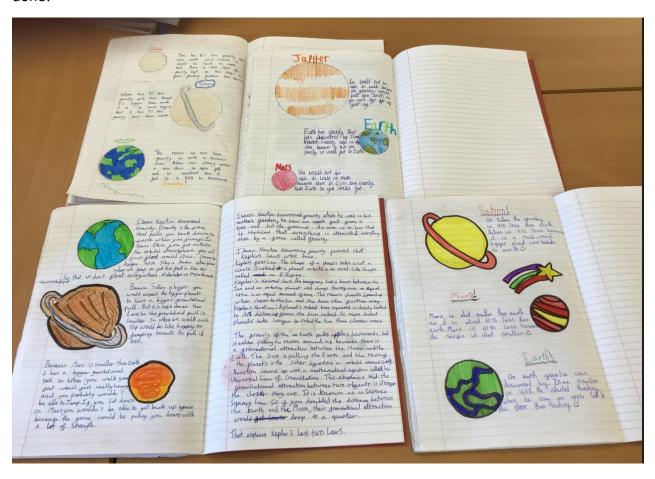


The year 4 children enjoyed exploring the three states of matter within their science learning this week. They sorted different types of objects and materials into solids and liquids. Many realised that the ice was changing state throughout the afternoon, so needed to move from the category of solid to liquid. They then predicted what would happen when a raisin was placed into fizzy water. In conclusion they found out that the carbon dioxide attaching to raisin was affecting the buoyancy of the raisin making it rise. As the raisin hit the surface, the bubbles leaving the raisin caused it to fall. This made them appear to be dancing. The children enjoyed this interactive learning and worked well together to evaluate their results and write some excellent conclusions.





This week, year 5 have started their new Science topic: Forces. We learnt about gravity, how Isaac Newton discovered it and how gravity is different on different planets. We discovered that on smaller planets the gravitational force is less than Earth so we would find it very easy to move. Whereas on some larger planets the gravitational force is greater the Earth so it would be very hard for us to even lift our head up. The class produced fantastically presented work - well done!



On Friday, Year 6 visited Brookwood Cemetery as part of our History topic this half term. We are looking at how the war has impacted our locality. We have learnt so much about our local area and the part Brookwood played in the war. Thank you Mr Davey for driving everyone there in the school minibus.







#### **Notices and Announcements**

## Online Safety - Whatsapp

We are aware that children in some year groups are using Whatsapp to chat to each other in groups. Please bear in mind that Whatsapp has an age rating of 16+. Therefore, it is not appropriate for children under this age to be using it. The NSPCC give some helpful guidance and an outline of the risks.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-01-12-is-whatsapp-safe-for-my-child/#

#### **PE Uniform from September**

Following feedback at our parent forum meeting in March and with the agreement of our Governors, from September our PE uniform will be as follows:

- Red uniform polo shirt or red polo shirt
- Black shorts
- Plain black jogging bottoms/black base layer leggings
- Red uniform sweatshirt or red uniform cardigan
- Trainers

We are hoping that this will reduce the number of different items of school uniform that you need to purchase as well as being a smarter look with consistency in colour of items worn.

#### St Hugh of Lincoln Music Evening

Further to the email sent by the school office on 9th May, we are delighted to write further regarding the Music concert to be held at St Hugh's on Thursday 6th July at 5pm, which we anticipate will be finished around 6pm. This concert will give those children that are receiving instrumental or vocal lessons the opportunity to perform in front of an audience. Performing can be a great confidence booster for children and it gives them a target to aim for. This concert is open to absolutely all abilities and will be an informal, relaxed and friendly affair. If your child is receiving lessons outside of school and would like to participate in the concert, please can you contact Mrs Evans (marie.evans@btinternet.com) to inform her of your interest.

#### SEND at St Hugh



### **Neurodiversity Coffee Afternoon**

## Thursday 15th June at 2.15pm-3.15pm

One in five children have some sort of neurodiversity.

Neurodiversity covers a range of neurological conditions such as but not limited to Autism Spectrum, Dyslexia, Dyspraxia, ADHD, Tourette's and social anxiety. Liz Calver, who is our Surrey link Specialist Teacher for Inclusion will be running a workshop for parents about Neurodiversity.

We hope you can join us. Refreshments will be provided.

#### **Celebrating other Cultures**

We would like to dedicate a section of our school library to the different languages which are spoken by our St Hugh community. If you have any picture books which are written in different languages, please could you donate them to our school library, so that the children can share the languages which they speak at home with their peers.



### After school Club – Activity Fridays – Summer Term Deal

Each Friday for the rest of this term, we will be holding special activity sessions during After School Club at a reduced price of £6.50 for collection at 4.30pm to include a snack.

16<sup>th</sup> June – Rice Krispy bunnies – make and decorate

23<sup>rd</sup> June – Cardboard model making and painting

30<sup>th</sup> June – Clay pot making

7<sup>th</sup> July - Puppet making

14th July – Biscuit and cake decorating

#### **Soft Toy Donations for the Summer Fair**

The Friends will be collecting preloved soft toys at drop of on Wednesday 14th June. These are for the Soft Toy Tombola and do not need to be brand new.

Thank you for your kind donations.

### **Dates for your Diary**

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13<sup>th</sup> June – Rabbi Zvi Solomons visit to KS2
16<sup>th</sup> June- Bishop Richard Moth visit
26<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day KS1 Track Events – parents invited (Morning: 9am)
29<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day KS2 track Events – parents invited (Morning: 9am)

July
1<sup>st</sup> July – School/Parish Summer Fete at St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School
3<sup>rd</sup> July – Sports Day KS1 Track Events (Wet Weather alternative date) – parents invited
6<sup>th</sup> July – St Hugh of Lincoln Music Evening
10<sup>th</sup> July - Sports Day KS1 Track Events (Wet Weather alternative date) – parents invited
18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers' Mass 2pm
19<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 BBQ 3.30-5pm
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Last day of school: Friday 21st July 2023 (school day ends at 1pm)

## **Class Masses and Liturgies**

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:

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.

