



## **Governor Newsletter Autumn 2024 (Issue 9)**

### **Message from Mike O'Donovan (Chairman)**

As we come to the end of the first term of 2024-25 school year, it has been a pleasure to enjoy the KS1 Nativity and the KS2 Advent Reflection. The standard of singing across the whole school has been a joy to witness and also proof of the value of the Diocese School Singing programme, which the Governors Fund was able to support. A big thank you to Fraser Ellison for all his efforts.

It was lovely to attend the Wintersall Nativity Crib with Year 1 & 2, held at St Dunstons school, the children were clearly engaged by the Wintersall players and their livestock!

As the term ends, I would like to wish all staff, children and their families a very Merry and Holy Christmas and a Happy New Year!

God Bless

Mike O'Donovan

### **Governor Curriculum Crossword**

This term Youichi Iisaka (Deputy Chair) has created a science-based crossword challenge for all KS2 children. The aim of it is to be a fun way to embed what the children have been learning in class and also for them to learn even more!

The children can use their Science Knowledge Organisers to assist them:

<https://www.sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Science+Knowledge+Organisers&pid=142>

To date 6 entries have been received and all participants have received a certificate for their effort. A copy of the crossword can be found at the bottom of the newsletter, and once completed should be returned Mr Davies.





## The School Development Fund – managed by the governors

We want to say a massive thank you to all the parents and carers who have contributed to our School Development Fund. The fund is imperative in maintaining our amazing school and your donations have helped the school fund areas which contributed to our Outstanding Ofsted grading. Parents' generosity is crucial if we are to continue to provide the best education and opportunity for your children. Among other things, the fund pays for the maintenance of our creation garden and our school mini bus plus essential IT equipment such as the interactive whiteboards in classrooms, the diocesan singing programme and our gardening project.

If you don't already make a donation to the fund, it is really easy to make a regular donation or one off payment with the Governors CAF Donate account, details of which can be found here:

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/24548#!/DonationDetails>

or use the QR code below.



We are able to claim gift aid for donations from UK taxpayers, increasing the value of your contribution at no cost to yourself.

Any donation, however small, is welcomed but if you are unable to pay we understand. All gifts are confidentially handled.

## Parent Engagement

Governors welcome your feedback and comment, if you have any comments or feedback please email them to Mike O'Donovan  
[modonovan@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:modonovan@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk)

## Safeguarding

As part of his role as Safeguarding and Child Protection Governor Mike meets with Mrs Grace, the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead to undertake a termly review meeting of the school's safeguarding process. Mike O'Donovan can be contacted on the following email  
[modonovan@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:modonovan@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk)

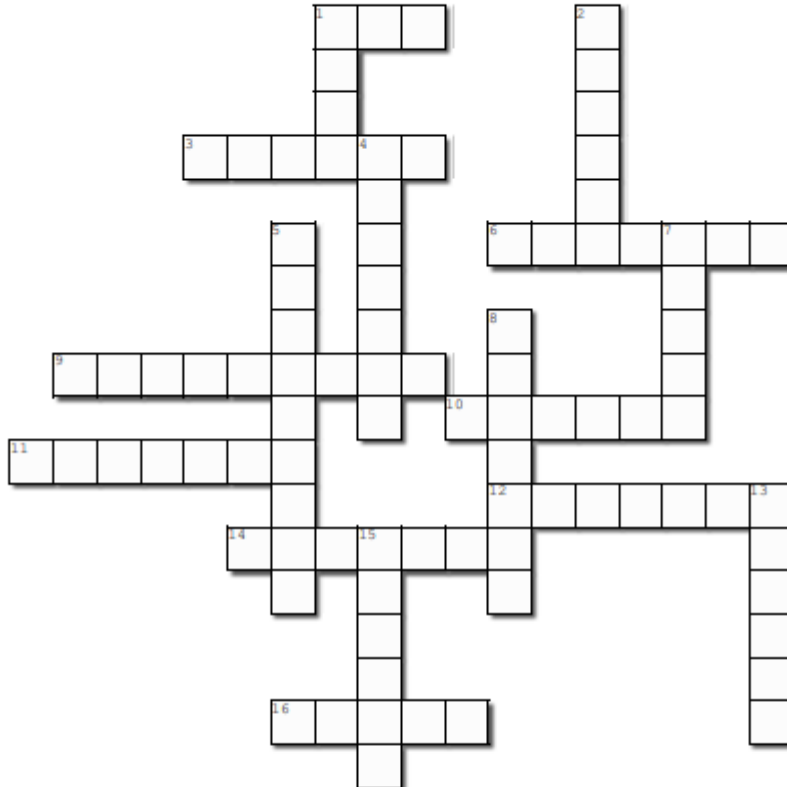


## Governor Curriculum Crossword

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### St Hugh of Lincoln KS2 Crossword Challenge

Using your Science Knowledge Organiser, can you rise to the challenge of completing this crossword and earning yourself a certificate in the process? Once completed, please hand it to Mr. Davies and let him know if you are happy to share what words you have learnt or found interesting in Assembly. Good luck!



Created using the Crossword Maker on TheTeachersCorner.net

#### Across

1. A huge star that Earth and the other planets in our Solar system orbit around.
3. Strength to be able to move and grow.
6. Soft tissues in the body that contract and relax to cause movement.
9. When a liquid is heated and turned into a gas or vapour.
10. A material or object that produces a magnetic force that pulls certain objects towards it.
11. The top layer of something. It may be rough or smooth.
12. Cords that join muscles to bones.
14. An organ inside your body where food is digested before it moves into the intestines.
16. an organ which constantly pumps blood around the circulatory system.

#### Down

1. A giant ball of gas held together by its own gravity.
2. Areas where two or more bones are fitted together.
4. The force that pulls things to the centre of the earth. The force of gravity keeps all the planets in orbit around the sun.
5. Substances that living things need to stay alive and healthy.
7. A form of energy that travels in a wave from a source.
8. In a good physical and mental condition.
13. An area of darkness where light has been blocked.
15. An animal that has hair or fur. They give birth to live young rather than laying eggs.