

ST PETER'S NEWSLETTER

February 2023



Dear Families,

Our children are such a credit to our school! Although we already knew this, yesterday we had an inspector looking at how well our school lives out our vision and values. She spoke to many children, observed lessons and class worship and she was totally impressed. She said that the staff and children made her day thoroughly enjoyable and we should all be very proud of the learning in our school. There will be a detailed report and grade with us all in a couple of weeks so we can share the successes in detail.

Book day today has been a huge success and thank you to all of you for supporting your children to have such wonderful costumes – we love the home made creative ones. The children were all keen to talk about their characters. Credit to the staff too for their creative costumes!

Wishing you a relaxing weekend.

SJ Dunning

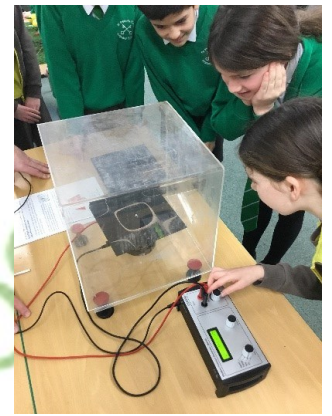
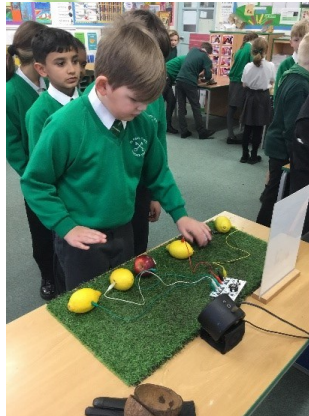
Sarah Dunning
Head Teacher

Y4 sound workshop



On Wednesday 22nd February, Dan Mayfield from the School of Noise gave a sound workshop to everyone in Y4. The children explored making sounds with unusual instruments such as a theremin, an omnichord and various fruit! A chladni plate showed them how varying the amplitude and frequency of sounds can create different patterns using sand. They also took turns to send and read messages using morse code.

To finish, the children became foley engineers, adding sound effects to a variety of short film clips. It was a great way for Y4 to extend their knowledge of sound. Dan was impressed and said "Both classes were lovely to work with and showed a great enthusiasm for learning and sharing their knowledge."



King Charles III coronation nature competition

Mrs Webzell is organising an exciting nature competition to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III in May, with different themes for different year groups. See poster for more details; we're looking forward to seeing the results all around the school in May.



French Club - Bon appétit!



Members of French Club (Y4, 5 and 6) made some delicious "Galettes de beurre" (butter biscuits) at the end of last term. We have some rising pastry chefs at St. Peter's! Teamwork, focus and confidence abounded. It will be very exciting to see their next creations this term.

Farnham and District Schools Swimming Gala



Just before half term, we took a team of 26 junior pupils to the district swimming gala. Every child put in their best and swam like a dolphin against fierce competition. There was a fantastic camaraderie with everyone supporting each other. The squadron relay was particularly exciting as eight children from Y3- Y6 swam front crawl to tremendous cheering inside Farnham Leisure Centre. Nathan Creamer was the fastest 25m back crawl swimmer in the Y3/Y4 boys event and we had several swimmers coming in 2nd and 3rd. There were nine teams in total and we finished in 7th place. We had fun but most importantly we are now in a good place to aim for the coveted 'progress' cup next year!

dropping off at morning BASE

It is imperative that parents walk their child to the BASE door to be received by a member of staff. We must do this for safeguarding reasons. If a parent continues drops their child off at the road entrance we will consider terminating their place.

diary dates

- 2nd March – SIAMS inspection
- 3rd March – world book day (dress up day)
- 6th March – Y1 Gilbert White Studies trip
- 17th March – PTFA Mother's Day raffle
- 20th March – Y6 Yvonne Arnaud theatre trip
- 21st March – EYFS Finkley Down Farm trip
- 21st March – Spring concert (6pm in school hall)
- 29th March – Easter Service at St Peter's Church
(KS1 @ 9.30, KS2 @10.30)
- 30th March – Y3 rainforest workshop
- 31st March – PTFA break the rules day
- 31st March – children break up for Easter holidays at 1.30 pm
- 17th April – back to school for summer term

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