

Weekly Newsletter

14 October 2022

Welcome

It was lovely to see so many Reception parents at the Information Evening this week. All the Information Evening Presentations have now been published on the school website. Please see attached information about a vacancy for a Parent Governor—if you have any questions or would like to discuss it further please email the school office. Many thanks for all of the kind harvest donations—everyone has been so generous. Finally, we look forward to seeing you all (virtually) at Parents' Evening next week. Michael Dillon - Headteacher

Governor Update for Parents

The governors have been working with Mr Dillon and the Senior Leadership Team of the school to ensure that we are all focused within our roles on the governing board providing support and good governance. The governing board is pleased with a positive start to this academic year and a recent Safeguarding review. The board is currently exploring the schools' options for the future, including the evaluation of becoming part of a multi academy trust. As always, the boards focus will be on the long-term benefits for the school and all stakeholders.

Please see attached details of the vacancy for a parent governor.

Year 6 News

Year 6 have had a great start to the new school year. We have been learning about debates, place value, the four operations, electricity and William Shakespeare. We have been working very hard rehearsing 'Macbeth' and 'Twelfth Night' in preparation for our performance at South Hill Park in November. Last Friday, we had a visit from an actor/director. Nick came into school to run a workshop with both casts. We are very excited to get on the stage and perform!

This term, we also had a visit from Aaron Martyn (a singer, songwriter, DJ and ex-footballer) who came in to visit Year 5 and 6. He performed some of his songs and spoke to us about mental health before signing a personalised photo for every single student (and teacher!)





Netball Tournament

We all had a great experience yesterday and we learnt a lot from the tournament. It was a stingers tournament, so we had to change positions after every game, this was challenging at first. However it was brilliant to practice different skills. Everyone in the team did fantastically and Miss Davis is proud of us all.

- Sienna and Rosie - 5D



Football Match

The match yesterday was mostly equal for both halves, with a score line of 1-2 to Harmans Water, The match could have gone either way.

With a fantastic top corner goal from the Luka Adams and unbelievable teamwork, Birch Hill were unlucky.

- Miles - 5D



Children's Achievements

Yasmin in Year 5 was awarded her Black Trousers to join Black belt academy at her **Berkshire Martial Arts** club. She is the youngest person to be invited and the lowest belt ever to be awarded such trouser. Her instructor said due to her determination, enthusiasm and skill he wanted to invite her to be apart of this special academy. She has been there for 1 year so we are very impressed.





Frimley Health
NHS Foundation Trust

It's not easy being wheezy!

Does your child suffer with wheeze when they have coughs and colds?

Have they been told they have Asthma?

Are you unsure what any of this means?

The Paediatric Respiratory Nursing Team from Frimley Health, along with your local School Nursing team, are offering parent/carer drop in mornings at your child's school and would like to invite you along to meet the team and other parents to learn more about your child's symptoms.

DATE: Tuesday 22nd November

After school drop off in the Studio

This will be an informal chat where we can answer any questions or concerns you may have

Please speak to the school office to confirm your space

Parent Consultation Evenings

Please remember to sign up for the parents' evening next week. The booking system will close at 4pm today and will re-open on Wednesday morning for bookings for Thursday.

School Photographs

Just a reminder that we have school photographs being taken next week, on Friday 21st October.

Some year groups have PE on a Friday, so for next week can we ask that your child wears a school sweatshirt or cardigan, a polo shirt/blouse with their PE kit on the bottom.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Parent Consultation Evening (virtual)	Tuesday 18th & Thursday 20th October - 4- 7pm
Year 6 Height and Weight Check	Wednesday 19th October
School Photographs	Friday 21st October
HALF TERM	MONDAY 24TH—FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER
INSET DAY	MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER
Year 6 Shakespeare Performance @ South Hill Park	Wednesday 9th November (evening)
End of Term	Friday 16th December

Attachments

- O Asthma School Coffee Morning Leaflet
- GEMS workshops Nov Dec 2022
- Library Activities
- Parent Gov Elections Letter Oct 22
- Volunteer for HSBF The heart of Home-Start