



ST MARK AND ALL SAINTS C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL AND HEDGEHOGS NURSERY

'TOGETHER WE CARE, LEARN AND ACHIEVE'

FRIDAY 11TH OCT 2024

This week was a week of experiences, trips and events which carries on next week! This week we had our Music Roadshow (YR) and Winchester Science Museum(Y5) trip and next week it's time for Fishbourne Roman Palace(Y4) and Butser Ancient Farm(Y3).

At SMAS we invest in real-life experiences for every child because we know these are the experiences which set imaginations alight and embed learning back in the classroom. Please make sure you make payments for your child's trips on time so we can continue to deliver this wonderfully rich curriculum to all our classes. All trips are reduced by 50% for PP children - if you think you might be eligible please email or speak to the office.

Please bring a donation for the Food Bank at St Mark's this week to be displayed at our service

Harvest Service
9:15 Thursday 17th October
Year 1 and 2 lead the service for the whole school to attend

All families are very welcome

Our value this half term is Respect



THE GOOD
SHEPHERD TRUST

Hedgehogs Class Blog

It has been a great start to the Autumn Term in Hedgehogs and lovely to welcome lots of new faces to our setting.

The children have settled really quickly into their new routines and some lovely friendships are being formed and they are learning to share and be kind.



We have loved hearing your child discuss their special people and seeing their photographs.



Both classes have loved visiting Forest School where they have been worm hunting, tree climbing, puddle splashing and rope swinging!

Big Hedgehogs are enjoying their PE lessons in the school hall and we are very proud of their listening and participation. We have also been learning our model text for "We're going to find the monster" and have been retelling the story and making a story map.



We are now looking for signs of autumn and have been looking at the changing colour of the leaves and making our own hedgehogs.



Thank you for your engagement with Seesaw and we will continue to send you updates of your child's learning and development.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 14 Oct - Y3 Trip to Butser Farm
- 14 Oct - Y5 Workshop with the Arts Society *Group 1*
- 15 Oct - Y4 Trip to Fishbourne Palace
- 16 Oct - Y5 Workshop with the Arts Society *Group 2*
- 16 Oct - Parent Consultation Evening
- 17 Oct - Harvest Service at St Mark's Church 9:15 - 10 (led by Y1 & Y2)
- 22 Oct - Borrow-a-cycle Try Out Day for Y6
- 23 Oct - Parent Consultation Evening
- 24 Oct - YR Visit to St Mark's Church
- 25 Oct - INSET Day
- 28 Oct - 01 Nov - Half Term
- 04 Nov - INSET Day
- 05 Nov - Y6 Level 2 Cycle Training
- 06 Nov - Y6 Level 2 Cycle Training
- 07 Nov - Y6 Level 2 Cycle Training
- 07 Nov - Y2 Great Fire of London Workshop
- 08 Nov - Y6 Level 2 Cycle Training
- 11 Nov - 15 Nov - Y4 Swimming Lessons
- 11 Nov - Open Classrooms 2:45 - 3:15
- 12 Nov - YR Hedgehog Visit from Saint Francis Animal Rescue
- 12 Nov - Odd Socks Day
- 19 Nov - Y6 Trip to Down House
- 19 Nov - Y4 School of Noise Sound Workshop
- 22 Nov - Own Clothes Day for Bottle donations for the Christmas Fair

ATTENDANCE 2023-2024

Year to Date 94.6%

Week to Date 93.7%

Previous Week 95.2%

Inset Dates 2024-25

Friday 25th Oct

Monday 4th Nov

Monday 6th Jan

Monday 25th Feb

Friday 23rd May

Monday 2nd June

Stars of the Week

4 Oct 2024

Hazel -

Cherry - Hayden

Beech - Zohaán

Ash - Freddie

Willow - Rachel

Rowan - Rochelle

Hawthorn - RESIDENTIAL

11 Oct 2024

Hazel - Evie

Cherry - Rosie

Beech - Layla-Rose

Ash -

Willow - Cody

Rowan - On a Trip

Hawthorn - Frankie

Superstar Learners of the Week

4 Oct 2024

Hazel - Harley

Cherry - Jessica

Beech - Poppy

Ash - Lily

Willow - Thea

Rowan - Farisa

Hawthorn - RESIDENTIAL

11 Oct 2024

Hazel - Izabela

Cherry - George

Beech - Bella

Ash - Esme

Willow - Esmae

Rowan - On a Trip

Hawthorn - George

Attendance Matters

Holidays (Leave of absence)

Taking holidays in term time will have a detrimental effect on your child's progress, as they miss chunks of their learning.

In line with St Mark & All Saints Attendance policy, we will not authorise any holiday in term time apart from in very specific circumstances and you must see Mrs Mallett to request leave of absence.



Punctuality Matters too!

As a school, we are aware that lateness can severely affect achievement. We monitor punctuality closely and have strategies in place to address lateness.

Penalty Notices

A penalty notice will be issued if your child has been marked unauthorised for 10 sessions (5 days) within a 10 week period from the first session missed.

Please refer to St Mark & All Saints Attendance policy, section 5 for more detailed information.

The school gates are open from 8:45 am and close at 8:55 am, any child arriving after this point must report to the school office with their adult, as this is the time that registers close.

Any child who arrives after 9:30 am will be given an unauthorised absence for the morning. If you have 10 unauthorised sessions within a 10 week period you will be issued a penalty notice.

Please remember it is your responsibility to call the school office (01483 422924) to report all absences before 9am or email info@stmarkallsaints.uk

HALLOWEEN CODING TASTER SESSION

Code your own game

In Scratch 

Thursday

31st October

Time

2.30pm - 4pm

Ages

7-10

Email 

Godalming.Library@surreycc.gov.uk

or talk to us to Book

Donations Welcome



ESRC Festival of Social Science 19th October to 9th November 2024




The Heat-Cool Programme: Teaching Young People How Climate Change Impacts Our Homes


Are you interested in learning how everyday objects around your home and garden contribute to climate change?

Do you want to learn how you can play your part in reducing heat emissions, through interactive thermal imaging technology and the latest research findings?

FREE Half Term Workshops
Tuesday 29th October
10-12pm / 1-3pm
Zero Carbon Guildford

 Join the University of Surrey's Heat-Cool Programme workshops this half term at Zero Carbon Guildford.

 Use thermal imaging cameras to learn about heat transfer and enter a photo competition to win a prize!

 Take away information and resources to learn more about climate science at home and at school.



Scan the QR code for more information →
Discover the Festival at www.festivalofsocialscience.com



The children and young people's emotional wellbeing and mental health service



Barnardo's Surrey Neurodevelopmental Services

Are you a parent or carer in Surrey of a young person who presents with ADHD behaviours?

Pre or post diagnosed

Our helpline is here to support you, no referral needed.

0300 222 5755

Free to call, press option 4

5pm-11pm 365 days

Our trained helpline practitioners are able to support with a variety of concerns.

- Sleep Concerns**
- School Anxiety**
- Diet Concerns**
- Screen-time Limits**
- Freindsips and Bullying**
- Connections with Family or**
- Dopamine Seeking Behaviours**
- Siblings**
- Routines**
- Risky Behaviours**

WARNING: Review water beads product safety alert

The Office for Product Safety and Standards (OPSS) has issued a Product Safety Alert to warn of the risks that water beads pose to children and vulnerable adults.

The alert advises that water beads should be kept away from children under five, and only used with older children or vulnerable adults under close supervision. They are marketed for various purposes, including for use as toys and in crafting. Water beads can expand up to 400 times when exposed to liquid.

When swallowed, they expand and can block the gastrointestinal passage, potentially requiring surgery. They can also cause choking and have harmed children in the UK, with reports linking them to deaths overseas.

If it is suspected that a water bead has been swallowed, medical help should be sought immediately.