

Friday March 22nd 2019

Dear Families

Happy Holi to all our families who practice the Hindu faith. The Holi festival took place this week. Children learnt all about it in assembly. It is also known as the festival of spring. We have certainly been enjoying spring weather this week. It is quite amazing that we are nearly at the end of the spring term. On Monday, you will receive your child's interim report and parent evening appointment slot. We look forward to seeing you all at one of the parents' evenings.

Red Nose Day

Thank you so much for your support last Friday - in total we raised £208.30 (We also sold all of the 240 red noses) for comic relief. The children looked fantastic wearing red and there were lots of 'mad' hairstyles too!

Year 4 Hindu Temple Visit

Year 4 had a lovely trip to the Hindu Temple on Wednesday. The children's behaviour was exemplary - the guides commented on this to the teachers. What fantastic ambassadors they were for the school!

Cross Country results

The end of the cross country season came with another fine performance from team Polehampton. Our school became league champions, having had a tremendous season of running. League positions for teams were - yr 3/4 girls 2nd, yr 3/4 boys 1st, yr 5/6 girls 3rd and yr 5/6 boys 1st. Individual medals were awarded to Ryan, Rose and Guy for their league performances this year.

Our relay teams also did very well - our yr 3/4 girls A team gained gold medals, yr 3/4 boys A team also got gold. In the upper school our yr 5/6 girls A team was awarded bronze and our yr 5/6 boys A team also claimed gold. Our boys B teams were also placed highly (5/6 B team coming 4th). Another overall win. Thank you to all the parents who helped with the finish line yesterday.

I must say a huge thank you to Mr McGregor, who set out the course yesterday. Also thank you to Mrs Apps and Mrs Poole, who were scorers at the event and to Miss Cacutt for all her support during the season. Finally, I would like to say well done to our team - they are committed and have worked incredibly hard for much deserved success.

Mrs Stockdale

Lent collection

Thank you for all your donations for the homeless people in Reading. Our collection boxes are in reception and we still have until Friday March 29th, when the donations will be collected. Isla and Neve delivered a special 'homeless quiz' to the school in assembly on Monday. The children learnt some interesting facts about homelessness. The donations we are collecting are:

- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Baby wipes - for homeless people living on the streets to use to clean themselves.
- Mints
- Cereal bars
- Bottles of water
- New socks for adults
- New underwear for adults

The Big Pedal!

Next week, the school will be taking part in 'The Big Pedal.' We will be competing against other schools in Wokingham. The challenge is to walk, cycle or scooter to school every day next week. Taking one of these options to travel to school is healthy, good exercise. It is also good for the environment, as it means there will be less cars driving on the roads around schools. We hope all families are able to participate, to help us get those points! For more information, please see the link below:

<https://www.myjourneywokingham.com/events/the-big-pedal-25th-march-5th-april-2019/>

Lost property!

Once again the cupboard is filling up with lost belongings including the following un-named items: 27 water bottles, 2 pairs of school shoes, 20 jumpers/cardigans and numerous woolly hats/gloves etc Please could you/your child(ren) come and have a look to see if it's yours.

Gooddies Uniform Orders

Please note that the Gooddies website will be changing from this week the new link is www.gooddies.co.uk Please re-register to place future orders. Thank you.

Clubs

Clubs for the Summer term 2019

Day	Event	Date	Time	Where
Monday	Think Tank	April 29 th – July 15 th 11 wks	3.30- 4.30pm	Jubilee Class
Tuesday	Judo	April 30 th – July 9 th 10 wks	8.00- 8.45am	Hall
	Ninjas Cookery	April 30 th – July 9 th 10 wks	3.30- 4.30pm	Jubilee Class
Wednesday	Tennis	May 1 st – July 10 th 10 wks	8.00- 8.45am	Jubilee Class
	Sewing	May 1 st – July 10 th 10 wks	3.30 – 4.45pm	
	Archery	May 1 st – July 10 th 10 wks	3.30- 4.30pm	Playground
Thursday	Tennis	May 2 nd – July 11 th 10 wks	8.00- 8.45am	Jubilee Class
	Lego	May 2 nd – May 23 rd 4 wks (only for first half term)	3.30- 4.20pm	

Please note the following clubs finish next week:

Tuesday last Ninja's Cooking club &

Wednesday last sewing club, for this term.

All the other clubs will run for another week.

Please see the website for Summer Term Thinktank, Judo, Lego, Sewing and Tennis forms (with the newsletters) Please book online for all other clubs.

Cookery www.nutritionalninjas.co.uk

Archery www.facevents.com

F.A.C.E. – Mr V will be running our new club, Archery after Easter. Please see attached.

Chattabox

Good Friday 'chattabox' morning: Friday 19th April, 10:30 at St Mary's Church

Join us at 10:30 for a short all-age service before hot cross buns, Easter crafts and the famous egg-rolling competition down the aisle! There is no charge or registration for this event but we do ask parents to stay and supervise their children. If your children enjoyed the 'Chattabox' church holiday club, they will love this event too.

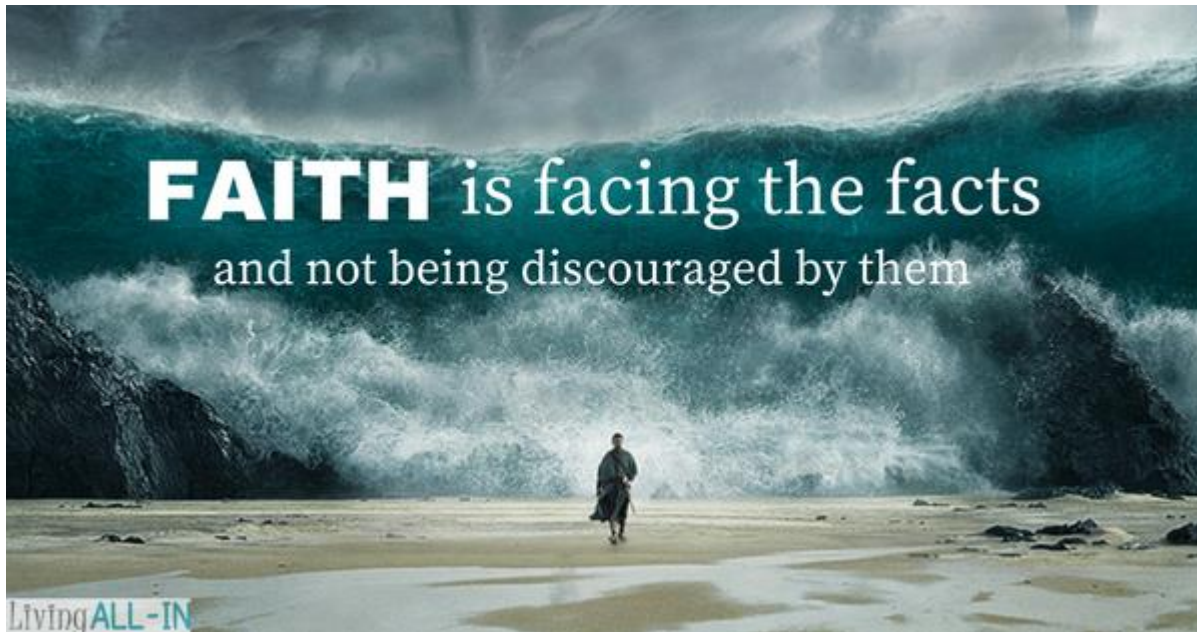
Godparents Sunday: 5th May, 10:30 at St Mary's Church

At our monthly family service in May, we're celebrating Godparents and their Godchildren – so if you were baptised in the village or further afield, we'd love you to come along to this service and invite your Godparents along too! Tea and toast is served from 09:30 and the service begins at 10:30. Everyone is welcome, whether or not you are a Godparent or Godchild!

Gymnastics Club

At the Denefield School during the Easter holidays. Please see attached.

Value for the Term – Faith



With best wishes

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Dates

M 25		Interim reports out ALL WEEK – The Big Pedal – walk, cycle or scooter to school
T 26	p.m.	Netball at Crosfields Yr 4
Th 28	16.00-19.00	Parents' evening
F 29	09.00	Mothers' Day assembly
S 31		WASMA concert
APRIL		
M 1	Day	Year 3 visit to Windsor Castle
T 2	08.00 09.30 p.m.	Last Judo Club Easter service at St. Mary's with Infants School House Cross Country Competition
W 3	16.00-19.00	Parents' evening
F 5	14.00	END OF TERM
Easter holidays Monday April 8th until Tuesday April 23rd		
T 23	08.50	Back to school
W 24	17.30	Woodrow meeting – Year 5 parents
F 26	15.30	Year 3 cake sale
MAY 2019		
M 6	Day	Bank holiday
M 13	Week	Year 6 SAT tests
T 14		Swimming lessons start in school tbc
F 17		PTA Quiz TBC
T 21	a.m. 17.00	Group photos – Tempest Hayling Island – Year 6 parents