Issue 06

# FRIMLEY TIMES The Prospect







Dear Parents,

Well the term keeps racing on but the learning and exciting opportunities keep coming at Frimley. Last week, Miss Cronin and I accompanied 40 of our Y4,5 and 6 choir members to an amazing Prospect Trust concert and a report about this can be found later in the newsletter. We also all took part in anti-bullying week, where there were lots of acts of kindness happening all around school, and we also raised money for Children In Need so life continues to be busy here!

Open Afternoon: Next Monday (27<sup>th</sup> November) you are all invited to our first Open Afternoon event of this academic year. Starting from 2.45 through until 4.00, you are welcome to visit your child's classroom where they can show you all of their books from this year and share with you all of their learning that they have been doing. Mrs Phillips and Mrs Djeneralovic (who lead our additional Phonics provision across the school) have also sent out communication to the parents of children who they are currently working with. These parents are welcome to join these teachers in the hall at 2.30 where they will be explaining how we teach phonics at Frimley to enable you to support your child more at home. We can't wait to see lots of you in school next week.

Christmas plans: We have lots going on in the lead up to Christmas. The dates for upcoming events were included in the previous newsletter and a letter about our next fundraising event (Breck Bauble Run) was emailed home last week too. Children are invited to wear Christmas jumpers from Friday 8th December right through until the end of term if they would like to, instead of their normal school jumper/cardigan (the rest of their uniform should be worn as normal please). Hopefully the children will enjoy these last few remaining weeks where there are lots of exciting Christmas events happening for them to enjoy:

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December: Y3 Christmas play 1.45 and 6.30 at St. Peters Church – a separate letter sent out last week about tickets

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December: sponsored Breck Bauble walk. Families and friends are welcome to join our children at 2.30 (subject to weather!)

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December: Carols and Christmas Fayre (after school): all children will be taking part in an Enterprise event leading up to this and then selling crafts at the fayre in their classrooms.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas lunch Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December: Term ends at 2.00

Just a reminder that our teacher-led clubs all finish next week. Complete Kids after-school care runs through to the end of term. We finish early at 2.00 on the last day of term (Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December)

Clare Wright

# Global Citizenship- Frimley Junior School is sponsoring a child

As a school we have decided to sponsor a child in a school in Kenya. We are sponsoring a child through the charity Education for Life <a href="https://educationforlife.net/">https://educationforlife.net/</a>. The money we have donated will go towards more computers and technology in Dwayne's school.

The boy we have been linked with is a boy called Dwayne who is 8 years old. When he is older he wants to be a soldier. His favourite colour is blue and he likes playing hide and seek and listening to rap songs.





We will be developing more links over this year with both Dwayne and others at his school in Kenya. Here is a link to a video showing what Dwayne's school is like. The children have watched this in Global Worship.

Over the course of the year the children will be learning more about Dwayne and his school and how we can be better global citizens.

Please ask Mrs Farage if you have any questions about this.

<u>Love brings change 2019</u> youtube.com



#### Thank you!

Thank you to everyone for taking part in our pyjama / cake sale for Children in Need last Friday.

We raised an amazing £585.87.



#### **Attendance Updates**

Our attendance rates at Frimley are consistently good and higher than national and Surrey averages, however, we still strive to achieve greater things. Our School Attendance Support Officer regularly visits the school, and we work closely with the service to help improve school attendance for those children whose attendance is a concern. Please could I remind parents of the following points in our Attendance Policy...

Parents must report their child's absence on the first day of non-attendance by 9am <u>and on all sub-sequent days</u>. In order to comply with safeguarding procedures and ensure the safety of all children on roll, we must have every day accounted for.

When reporting your child's absence (by phone, voicemail or email), please give as much detail as possible about any illnesses so we can help members of our school community with vulnerabilities to stay safe.

Please plan medical appointments outside of school hours where possible.

In the event of lateness, children who arrive after the 'close of registers' will have that session recorded as an unauthorised absence. 'Close of registers' is at 9.10am.

Attendance Ladder How close is your child to 100%?		
	100%	Perfection
ff	99%	Excellent
ff [	97%	Good
off	95%	Slight Concern
off	90%	Concerned
off	85%	Very Concerned

If you wish to discuss your child's attendance further please contact Sally Williams, Pastoral Deputy Headteacher, via the school office.

#### Winter weather

As the weather now feels very wintery, please ensure that your child brings a coat to school each day. We know how important it is for children to get out in the fresh air so we do try and get them out for play times as often as we can, even if there is a bit of rain in the air!

Also, our fields are now very muddy. Therefore, when your child has their PE day and is doing outside sport (ie football), please can you send them with a spare pair of shoes/trainers to put on after their outdoor PE session to avoid walking quite so much mud all through the school!

# **Frimley Green Preschool**

On Thursday 9th November, we were delighted to be visited by a group of children from Frimley Green Preschool. Our Community Crew met them in the library, and they all settled down to read stories together. Some of our Community Crew members actually attended Frimley Green Preschool, and they were recognised by their staff members! We hope to see the preschool children again soon as part of our ongoing community work.









#### **School Meal Price Increase**

Earlier this term the catering company increased the cost of a school meal. Therefore with effect from 2nd January the price of a school lunch will increase to £2.70. We appreciate that this will not be welcome news but unfortunately is out of our control. May we politely remind parents that lunches should be paid for in advance.

Thank you



#### **Blue Peter Book Club**

The Blue Peter Book Club is all about sharing the joy of reading! Each month you can talk about a different book from the list below. There are also lots of fun activities, quizzes and cool challenges to try. Next month the Book Club choice is 'The Christmas Carrolls' by Mel Taylor-Bessent who we were very lucky to have a visit from last year.

To get involved, go to the Blue Peter Book Club website.

If you are looking for a new book to read, the books below are all previous Book Club picks and are highly recommended.





#### **Blue Peter Book Badge**

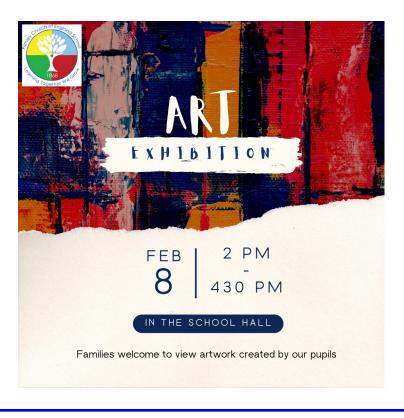
Blue Peter have a new 'Book Badge'!

To receive a Blue Peter Book Badge you must:

Apply for your Book badge online using the uploader form on the Blue Peter website.

Tell them about a book you have read and what you think about it.

Upload an illustration of a character or a scene from the story. This could be a drawing, painting or even digital artwork.





Thank you to those who have already sponsored Frimley's Big Breck Bauble Walk on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December starting at 2.30pm. If you are yet to do so, please click on the below link or scan the QR code to make a donation. Every donation made will support the Breck Foundation's mission in educating children across the UK to keep themselves safe when online.

https://thebreckfoundation.enthuse.com/pf/ frimleycofejuniorschool

So what are you waiting for? Decorate your Christmas jumper with Christmas baubles and come and support this very worthy cause!



of target reached!

Making good progress, Frimley Church of England Junior School has reached 25% of the target!

Share this and help to raise more







Our Head Pupils, Jasper, Seb and Lacey visited the Year 2 children at Sandringham and Cross Farm recently to answer their questions about what it is like to be a pupil at Frimley Church of England Junior School. The Year 2 children asked some tough questions which our Head Pupils answered confidently and articulately. They were fantastic advocates for our school. We hope to see many of the Year 2 children on tours around our school over the next coming months. Thank you Jasper, Seb and Lacey.



A huge congratulations to our Digital Leaders in Years 4, 5 and 6 who have worked extremely hard to complete their Apple Teacher qualification. They had to take a test on each of the Apple apps (iPad, Numbers, Pages, Keynote, GarageBand and iMovie) and get a score of 4 out 5 or above to pass. A big thank you to our Digital Champions from Tomlinscote School who came along just before half term to help to support them with completing their remaining badges. Our digital Leaders now hold the same qualification as staff and will be on hand in lessons to help support staff and other children in their classes.





#### **Camberley Athletic Club Team**

Well done to these Frimley pupils who made up some of the Camberley Athletic club team that were entered for a Sports Hall event at Guildford spectrum on Sunday 12th November.

They took part in lots of different activities, such as speed bounce, vertical jump, target throw, relay hurdles, and relay to name a few.

There were children from other Surrey clubs there and it was great afternoon full of cheering, team work and also many snacks to keep energy levels up. We all had lots of fun.

If you are in Y5 or Y6 and like all sorts of PE activities such as running, jumping, throwing, balancing and would like to join please contact the club about coming along on a Tuesday or Thursday evening. The girls team especially really need some more members. If you are in Y4 you can put put your name on the waiting list ready for September. Hope to see you at the next event!



#### Individual successes to celebrate

We really do have some talented children at Frimley!

Aston in Year 6 has successfully been given the part of Michael in Peter Pan at the pantomime at Woking Theatre this year. This is a huge achievement and we know he will be amazing in this role. If you have tickets for the Woking panto, look out for him!

Declan, also in Year 6, has continued to have more gymnastics success.

He recently competed in the national grades finals and came 9th out of 43 competitors and only 3 marks behind the winner. He also scored a 'perfect 10' on vault! I've watched the video of his performances and he is so talented!



# Not only is it Christmas time, but it is also bookfair time!!!!

This year's bookfair has hundreds of half price children's books.

Date: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December to Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Time: 3.30pm to 4pm

Place: The Hub

There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, with prices

starting from £2.99, there is sure to be a book for everyone.

As well as books, we have stationary including pens, pencils, and keys rings to purchase, some half price too!

If you are unable to make it to our book fair, you can purchase gift vouchers, which are available at <a href="https://www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents">www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents</a>

Don't forget that every book you buy can help to provide FREE BOOKS for your school library.

# **Privacy Notice**

We are requested to periodically remind you that our parent/pupil privacy notice can be found on our website under the 'school information' - 'policies' tab.

### **Disney Concert**

Last Friday evening, I had the absolute pleasure of joining Miss Cronin and members of our school choir at the very first Trust Concert that was held at The 6<sup>th</sup> Form College in The Prospect Theatre. Our choir sang beautifully and we also got to watch some amazing performances from Tomlinscote and The College students. Hege thanks to Miss Cronin for all her hard work practicing with the choir.... and for giving up her Friday evening to join them!! We have received some lovely comments from staff across the Trust who attended the concert:

Thank you for your help and support for the concert last Friday at the College - it was an incredible evening and such a feelgood factor around the performances! A special mention to the soloists.... Valentina singing Reflection from Mulan - wow, wow, wow!

Stuart McSweeney (curriculum Manager for A level Music at the College)

It was an absolute pleasure to be part of such a fantastic event, with so many special moments, not least the heart-stopping Frimley solo performance which, I think, brought a tear to everyone's eye. A lot of hard work from everyone involved, which really shone through on the night.

Zoe Smallman (Principal at the College)

What a wonderful evening of music in the Prospect Theatre celebrating 100 years of Disney. It was hugely enjoyed and brilliant to see the talent of so many young students whose enjoyment in taking part in this production was clearly evident. It was a real tribute to the great work of the teachers and support staff involved.

William Bagnell (Trustee of The Prospect Trust)

# **Raising Funds**

Some girls in Year 6 over the past few lunch times have been doing a nono tape sale and have raised £166 for the school and Breck Foundation.

Thank you for all your donations.

We hope to do one again if your child didn't get to buy anything.

Date 2023	Event Open afternoon	
November 27th		
December 6th	Yr 3 Christmas play 1.45pm and 6.30pm	
December 8th	Sponsored Christmas Run	
December 11th	Christmas Fair and Carols around the tree	
December 13th	Christmas Lunch	
December 15th 2pm	Finish for Christmas Holidays	