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FRIMLEY TIMES



Welcome back to the Summer Term. I hope you all enjoyed a relaxing Easter break and managed to enjoy some of the lovely weather that we had. I always try and be positive so, in the hope that this summer sees some warm weather, please can I remind you to make sure your child brings a water bottle to school every day. We do have several water coolers around the school so there is plenty of opportunity to fill them up throughout the day too.

Year 2 links: At the end of last term, we welcomed the Year 2 children from Sandringham and Cross Farm up to spend an afternoon with us. Mrs Reehal organised an activity outdoors so the children could work alongside our Year 3 children to explore our amazing grounds. Mrs Whiting and her lovely Librarians then invited the children into our new Learning Resource Centre (LRC) where they explored the books that we have here at Frimley. We will be organising other events this term where we hope to work closely with the Year 2 children to aid with their transition to Junior school.

Ukraine fundraising: A huge thank you from everyone here at Frimley for your extreme generosity in our fundraising for Ukraine, we raised an incredible £1,154. Our children really did show such compassion and empathy and we had so many children volunteering to raise extra money: we saw our MUFTI day; book sales and the after school cake sale; as well as several children being enterprising and creative and making things to sell. A special thank you to Mr Geldsetzer (a Year 4 parent) who bought, decorated and donated wooden spoons which were then sold. They sold out very quickly and he has offered to make more. If anyone would like one, please do let the office know.

School Values: The focus value for this half-term is Responsibility and in assembly on Tuesday I related this to the Story of: 'Jonah and the whale'. We talk regularly in school about the importance of taking responsibility for our own actions, behaviour, learning, equipment etc so please do talk to your child about this at home and praise them when you see them taking responsibility.

Technology Showcase: With COVID restrictions lifting, I am so pleased to be able to invite you to come into school on Thursday 5th May between 3.30-5.00 to our Technology Showcase. It's been so long since we've invited families in and I am delighted that on this occasion you will be able to come in with your child to see the amazing work that our children are doing using the iPads. Please see invitation for further details.

Dates for this term: With the lifting of more COVID restrictions (and we're keeping everything crossed that it stays that way!), please find some dates for events later in this newsletter. More details will be sent out closer to some of these events but I thought you would find it useful to know the dates in advance.

Clare Wright

Year 2s Visit: We were really lucky to be joined by the Year 2s from Sandringham and Cross Farm just before the Easter holidays. For the first part of the afternoon, Mrs Whiting and our Year 5 and 6 librarians carried out a Library detectives book hunt with the children before reading them the book 'You Can' by the author Alexandra Strick. Next our Year 3s helped them to use the iPads to carry out various tasks around the school grounds like recording a piece of music in the science garden and timing themselves to run a lap of our running track. Thank you to our year 3s for being fantastic role models to all of the children. We look forward to seeing the Year 2s again soon to carry out some different PE activities with us.



Bank of America Community Volunteer Day

We had another successful day during the Easter break welcoming a volunteer group from Bank of America organised by one of our parents, Paul Boyle.

We had ten helpers throughout the day who worked really hard on improving our school grounds; clearing the two borders around the hall and year 4 playground ready for re-planting, weeding the railings in our front car park and clearing the moss from our LSA car park. They also painted benches in the science garden, planted some hedging along the pathway leading to the top field, and dismantled broken fruit planters which they then replanted with raspberries.

It was really amazing to see the progress that such a dedicated hard working team can make in such a short time. Do take some time to have a look round the grounds next time you're in school to see what a difference they have made.

All of this would not be possible without the direction and guidance of Trish Everett, who works tirelessly keeping our gardens fresh and tidy, also working with our children in gardening club each week.

A very big thank you to everyone involved.



If your employer runs a community volunteer outreach scheme and you would like to offer Frimley some support do get in touch – we will be delighted to hear from you!

Sporting congratulations: Well done to Daniel in Year 6 who was invited to join the Surrey Under 13's boys team at the UK National finals on April 10th in Colchester after winning a gold medal for Surrey Under 11's at the Sportshall Regional Finals back in February. They competed against Norfolk, Berkshire, Herefordshire, Nottinghamshire and Gloucestershire. Daniel participated in 3 events; Speed bounce, 4x1 relay and the 8 lap Paarlauf. His team came 4th in the Paarlauf and picked up a silver medal in the relay. Overall the Surrey team got Bronze. Well done Daniel, a fantastic achievement!

Attendance

Absence requests: Can I please remind parents to try, wherever possible, to avoid making appointments for their child during the school day as this can be extremely disruptive to their learning. Also, just a reminder that we do not, except in special circumstances, authorise term time absence requests; full details can be found in the attendance policy (which is on the school website). If an absence is not authorised then a Penalty Notice from Surrey County Council may apply to each parent for each child in the family who is absent – see letter dated 15th September 2021 on our website for more details

Frimley Editorial Team

On Thursday 31st March the Frimley Editorial Team had a meeting via Zoom with Alexandra Strick the author of "You Can". Alex will be using our ideas in her new book. There are six of us altogether, three from Year 6 and three from Year 5. We agreed on the layout and general themes of each of the 14 spreads for example kindness and equality.

We are looking forward to expanding our ideas in the next Zoom meeting and making it a successful book.
Aniela, Cara and Faith



Date	Event
Wed 27th April	Class Photos
Mon 2nd May	Bank Holiday
Thurs 5th May 3.30-5.00pm	Technology showcase (letter sent home previously for details—please register in advance)
9th—12th May	Year 6 SATs
Fri 20th May	Enrichment Day (House coloured t-shirts to be worn)
Thurs 26th May 3.30 onwards	Jubilee celebration
Fri 27th May	INSET day
30th May—3rd June	Half term
Mon 6th June	INSET day
Tues 14th June 8.50am	Parent Forum
Mon 20th June	Y6 Leavers Service at Guildford Cathedral
Wed 29th June	Transition Day (meet new teacher)
Fri 1st July	Fun Day (sports day)
Mon 4th July 2.30-4.00pm	Open Afternoon (come and look around the school and see your child's work)
6th & 7th July	Y6 Leavers Play
11th—15th July	End of Year school reports sent home during this week)
11th—15th July	Y6 Residential trip to Kingswood
Thurs 21st July	Y6 Leavers party
Fri 22nd July 9.00am	Y6 Leavers Assembly (parents invited)
Fri 22nd July 2.00pm	Term ends

Bring your parents along!

We are excited to invite parents and prospective parents to Frimley Church of England Junior School on Thursday 5th May from 3:30 - 5pm. Our children would like to showcase some of the learning that has taken place throughout this academic year using the iPad. You will have the opportunity to talk to our Digital Leaders about how they have used the iPad to bring their learning to life and have a go in creating your own learning experiences using the iPad.

Our vision as part of The Prospect Trust is to use technology to support and enhance the children's learning. Our aim over the next four years is for every child at Frimley to have their own iPad.



Bringing Learning to Life
Thursday 5th May 3:30 - 5pm
Frimley Church of England
Junior School

Click here to book a ticket

The Prospect Trust

Please click on the link to sign up to the event or scan the QR code to get your tickets from Eventbrite. Book early to avoid disappointment!

<https://bit.ly/FrimleyBLT>

