



Dear Parents,

This half-term is racing away with us and the children are continuing to demonstrate positive attitudes towards their learning as I walk around school. We have been focussing a lot on our focus value of "Respect" and our children really do display this towards staff and each other.

Working with parents: Earlier this week, I attended the FPTA AGM along with a small group of parents; some of whom came into school in person while some joined re-

motely. I really do appreciate the time and effort put in by parents to create fun opportunities for all of the children while at the same time raising funds to further enhance what we can offer at Frimley. We do only have a small group of volunteers though and it is impossible for them to fill all the roles that are needed in order for us to maximise our fundraising opportunities. Liz Toft (Chair of the FPTA) will outline some of these roles in her next newsletter so please do consider volunteering if you are able to. We talked at the meeting about how we can enhance feedback from parents to the school and one suggestion is to ask for a Class Rep from each class: a team of 12 parents who would be led by a "Lead Rep". This group could then gather ideas from other parents in their class and meet termly with me to discuss further ways to improve our school. If you are interested in becoming a Class Rep, please could you contact me via the office and hopefully we can move forwards with this proposal. In the meantime, the planned Parent Forum that is scheduled for next Monday (10<sup>th</sup> October at 9.15am) will go ahead and you are all invited.

Safeguarding audit: As part of our ongoing self-improvement process, Prospect Trust organised for us to have a whole school Safeguarding Audit. This was on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September and was a really rigorous process involving: a review of the website; meeting with the Designated Safeguarding Leaders; meeting the Trust HR leads; meeting with the Safeguarding Governor; discussions around Online Safety, educational visits, attendance etc; meeting staff members; a meeting with some Y6 pupils and a tour of the site. We have recently received the feedback from this audit and were really pleased with the outcomes:

*The DSL & team of DDSL's work very closely together. Their knowledge and practice are strong, and it is clear pupils are safeguarded to a high standard.*

*Governance of the school is strong in regard to safeguarding with clear evidence of strategic oversight and input from the AQC governing board which has enhanced the safeguarding provision at the school (for example with the extension of the safeguarding team).*

*Pupils at Frimley Church of England School feel safe, supported, and understood. All pupils spoken to were extremely positive about their experience at the School. There is a range of opportunities for their voice to be heard and they feel that their perspectives valued. All pupils know how to report concerns about themselves, and their peers, and are confident they will be listened to and taken seriously.*

*Safeguarding is a key element within the curriculum provision of the School, the safeguarding topics are delivered effectively, CPD provided to staff to ensure they are confident and trained and the curriculum is well mapped.*

*It's clear that this is a school that prioritises the safeguarding and protection of children and a whole school approach to safeguarding was clearly evident throughout the visit*

Clare Wright

### **Year 3 gate entrance:**

Please be aware that this entrance is used for vehicle access by staff until 8.20am. If you arrive on foot before this time, please do not enter the car park until 8.20am. Please could we also ask parents to ensure their children and younger siblings are not riding on bikes and scooters between or near the cars which are parked there.

Many thanks

### **Prospective families**

Last Thursday, we held our Open Evening for new families and Noah and Jasmyn (Head boy and Head girl) spoke passionately about why Frimley is the best choice of school! I was very proud of how they both spoke with real enthusiasm and confidence. If you know any families who have a child currently in Year 2, please do encourage them to book onto one of our school tours (which are taking place over the next few weeks) and being led by our Year 6 Ambassadors team.

### **Enrichment Day**

A reminder that our first Enrichment Day of this year will take place on Friday 14th October. The children will spend the whole day working across the key stage mixed with other year groups who are in their House team. They will be doing a range of creative and fun activities focussing on the theme of "belonging". On this day, children should come to school wearing a T-shirt in the colour of their House instead of their normal white shirt, tie and jumper. They should continue to wear normal grey skirt/trousers and school shoes.

### **Parent volunteers**

A letter was sent home last week explaining that we are looking for parent volunteers to come back into school. If you are interested, please do contact Mrs Wright who would love to hear from you!

### **Parent consultation meetings**

Hopefully you have all been able to book an appointment to meet remotely with your child's class teacher at one of our sessions next week to talk about how they have settled and how their learning is going so far etc. If you have not been able to book, please call the office who will be able to help you. A letter confirming the joining instructions is being sent home today.

## Skipathon

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022, all children will participate in a Skipathon which will be a non-stop, collaborative event where all year groups come together. The children will be continuously skipping (for 30 minutes) either individually or will jump into a long rope which will be held by adults.



Alongside raising money for our chosen charity, Chloe's and Sophie's Special Ears fund (CSSEF), this event will provide a boost of mental and physical wellbeing. We would really appreciate your support with this event and any donations will be welcomed. There will be cash collection tubs in each classroom. This event will take place during the school day and will be staffed by teachers.

## **Our School Charity this year is...**



They are a local charity who support Deaf children growing up in a hearing world, providing practical and emotional support for Deaf children and their families. They help children overcome barriers that prevent them from accessing the same opportunities as everybody else.

You may have seen or even visited their shop, Just4Kids, on the A30 in Camberley.

Each year group will be hosting a charity event this year to raise funds for CSSEF; see above for our first event .... a Skipathon!

We will also be visiting Just4Kids after half term with some of our children to help sort through donations and arrange stock in the shop.

## England Game Mascot



On Monday the 26th September I had the privilege of being a mascot at the amazing Wembley Stadium for the England game versus Germany,

The highlight was meeting the players as they came out of the coach. There were 78,000 spectators at the stadium on the day. I feel really lucky to have had such an amazing experience.

Seb Year 5





## Dates for your diary

Date	Event
6th October 9.00am—11.45am	Prospective Parent's Morning
10th October 9.15am	Parent's Forum
11th October 5.30pm—8.00pm	Parent's Evening
13th October 3.40pm—6.50pm	Parent's Evening
14th October	Enrichment Day
18th October 9.00am— 11.45am	Prospective Parent's Morning
20th October	FPTA Disco
21st October	School finishes normal time for half term

## European Languages Day

On Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September, we celebrated European Languages Day. We started with a special assembly where we found out about the benefits of learning another language, exciting language facts and the activities that we would be experiencing throughout the morning. We created posters to promote language and diversity and the winning entries will go on display in the LRC. We had Language Taster Lessons in Spanish and German from Mrs Whiting and Miss Mills, which we thoroughly enjoyed! Good fun was had by everybody involved.

