



## Framfield Church of England Primary School Newsletter

### Courage

15<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Dear Parents,

I am a firm believer that there is a sport for everybody and that now, more than ever, sport must be a core subject in every school. Sport can develop key life skills such as team work and leadership, support mental and physical health, improve academic progress and self-esteem.

Here at Framfield, we try to offer a diverse range of sporting activities and the chance for many children to play competitively. We are fortunate to have such a proactive sports leader in Mrs Kent who organises outside coaching and offsite sporting events for us. We have had some real triumphs this year already.

#### **Netball**

Miss Barnes runs our really popular after school netball club and this will continue in Term 4. On 22<sup>nd</sup> January, a team of eight year 5 and 6 pupils competed at Uckfield College and Framfield came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall. The team played very well together and it was great to see an ex pupil taking on the role of sport leader at the event.

Then seven Year 3 and 4 children represented us on 29<sup>th</sup> January. Three of the players had never played netball competitively before but they showed courage and took part anyway. Eight schools were represented and Framfield won two games and lost one to go through to the semi-finals, where we played well but lost to our Federation partners Blackboys. We then played third place play-off and took third place bronze.

#### **Swimming**

On 31<sup>st</sup> January, a team of 13 children took part in the swimming gala at the leisure centre in Uckfield, swimming against eleven other schools. Mrs Kent described some amazing performances and again some of our competitors had never taken part in a swimming event before. She was particularly impressed with how supportive the seasoned swimmers were towards the new-comers. Overall, Framfield won bronze, one pupil gained a gold for his individual race (50m freestyle) and two boys gained bronze for their individual races.

#### **Dance**

Zara Breeze has been working with Kingfisher class on a choreographing and performing a 'chocolate dance' which links with their topic this term. We hope to see it performed at the FAB Festival next month (28<sup>th</sup> March).

#### **Cricket**

Hamish Russell, who works for the Cricket Association, has been working with Year 5 and 6, developing their cricket skills. Mrs Kent is hoping to engage him as a coach in terms 5 and 6 with possibly an after school club too.

## Ian Dove

Ian is our regular sports coach who works with all classes across the school to provide high quality sports lessons covering a range of skills.

### Comments from our pupils

Year 5 /6 netball tournament

I think it was a great experience; lots of fun. We all cheered each other on. It was such a lovely thing to take part in. We all shook hands at the end.

Ian's Lessons

'I really enjoy them; it's nice to do something different.

'They are really, really active.'

Puffins Class

Swimming Gala

I liked the way it was organised. You could cheer and help your friends. The people there are really nice.

'I like the games he (Ian) plays. He doesn't do the same things each week; he changes the rules.'

Pupil in Eagles Class

Hamish teaches really well. He plays lots of games that everyone likes; even people who don't like sports enjoy it.

### 'Beat The Street' Money

We have used half of the 'Beat The Street' award on purchasing netballs, footballs, ball pumps, storage bags and a balance bike.

## World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March (second week after half term). We have a number of activities planned which we will give more details of when we come back to school. We would like the children to have the chance to dress up as a book character or they may prefer to bring in a number of clues to a character in a book that they enjoy (e.g. a wand, broomstick, book of spells, and a toy cat for 'The Worst Witch').

## Spring Fair Saturday 18th May, 12pm-2.30pm at the school

Please put the date of the Spring Fair on your calendars. I know the PTFA will provide a really enjoyable community event and again raise money for resources and experiences which enrich our life here at Framfield.

Wishing you all a very happy half term break.

Lisa Pestell

Headteacher

Tm 4 /Week 1		
Monday	25/02	INSET DAY
Tuesday	26/02	Chess Club- Mr Stockholm Tennis club - Le Tennis Homework Club (Mrs Vernon)
Wednesday	27/02	
Thursday	28/02	Ukulele FAB football (Blackboys) Football Club, R and KS1-All Star SATS Club-Mrs Tsapparelli
Friday	01/03	
Tm 4/Week 2		
Monday	04/03	Netball Club - Mrs Kent Houses of Parliament Trip Year 6
Tuesday	05/03	Chess Club- Mr Stockholm Tennis club- Le Tennis Homework Club (Mrs Vernon) TAG Rugby Uckfield College year 3 and 4, 3.45 p.m. -Mrs Kent
Wednesday	06/03	Southern Water talk- Eagles Class
Thursday	07/03	World Book Day Ukulele FAB football (Blackboys) Football Club, R and KS1-All Star SATS Club-Mrs Tsapparelli
Friday	08/03	

**Forthcoming Events:**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March – Kingfishers Visit to Eastbourne Towner Gallery

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March Yr 5 and 6 TAG Rugby UCTC 3.45 pm

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March Yr 3 and 4 TAG Rugby tournament UCTC 3.45 pm

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March Yr 5 and 6 TAG Rugby tournament UCTC 3.45 pm

Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> March – FAB Fest

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Service, St Thomas A Becket Church, 9.30 am

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Spring Fair, 12.00 pm-2.30pm at the school

**Inset Days:**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019