



## Community

### Framfield Church of England Primary School Newsletter

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

On our school website, we state that our vision is:

**'To raise the aspiration of all pupils to "Be the Very Best they can be", through providing an engaging and Christian environment alongside an exciting broad and balanced curriculum striving to develop the skills, attitudes and Christian values of the whole Federation Community to face the new challenges of the 21st century with confidence.'**

Every week, we strive to provide our pupils with a quality education and a broad range of experiences. We want every child to be excited about learning, to develop across all areas and find those talents and interests which they may want to pursue in later life.

#### **Technology at Framfield**

Last week, the children below were proud to receive certificates for their outstanding performances on their new learning platform 'Time Tables Rock Stars'. Already we have seen children in Puffins Class getting really excited about the games and their response time to times table questions are reducing. Through the games, the children can have fun acquiring points and adding features (hair styles, costumes and guitars) to their avatars. This is one of several learning platforms including 'Spelling Shed' that enhance our children's learning experiences and allow them to acquire skills that require lots of practise to become fluent. We are extremely grateful to our PTFA who funded the purchase of additional laptops last year.



#### **Uckfield College Indoor Athletics**

I was very proud of our KS2 children who competed in a really exciting athletics event this week. To ensure we had enough children to take part, some pupils competed against older pupils. There were a number of children who rarely represent their school but agreed to participate so that Framfield could put forward a team. The grit and determination on the children's faces was a joy to see and some children discovered unexpected talents. Overall, we came fourth out of eight schools.

(Saffy, Gus, Daisy, Ralph, Harry, Riley, Miller, Lorraine, Felix, Hugo, Miles, Austin, Otto, Sadie, Imogen, Sadie, Imogen, Elena, Matilda, Jude, Kayleigh)

### **Christmas Fair**

Please remember that the Christmas fair is in the evening this year. I know that the PTFA will have pulled out all the stops and this will be another delightful community event that will fill you with festive cheer. Please do come along on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November between 5 and 8pm.

### **Harvest Festival Donations**

Uckfield Foodbank were delighted with your generous contributions for the Uckfield Foodbank at Harvest Festival. I am pleased to tell you that you donated 111.28kgs of food, which will be used to feed those in need in our community. Uckfield Foodbank greatly appreciate your kindness.

### **Uckfield Christmas Shopping Event**

If you have not already signed up to sing at the late night shopping event in Uckfield on 6<sup>th</sup> December, please do; the more children we have to represent the school, the better. Once again, there will be a Thomas a Becket Federation tree in the Christmas Tree Festival at Holy Cross Church. Please use the sign-up sheet in the school reception area.

### **The Sun Books for Schools**

The Sun has teamed up with HarperCollins to provide primary schools across England, Wales and Northern Ireland a free pack of 106 books, worth more than £600! From early phonic development to fluent reading, Collins Big Cat is a whole-school reading programme that provides complete support for primary reading. The free books included within the packs cover a diverse range of subjects from fairy tales to football, from camping to crocodiles and from wild cats to worms - there is really something for all ages and abilities. Please collect the tokens so we are able to receive the free books and purchase more books through Book for Schools.



Tokens will be available in The Sun and The Sun on Sunday between Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November - Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January. Please collect and hand to the School Office. Many Thanks!!

### **Anti-Bullying week at Framfield.**

Every day last week, there were activities, assemblies and lessons about Anti Bullying week. The reason we host this is because we do not tolerate bullying at our school and want to make sure that it doesn't happen. As well as these activities two people came in from the 'East Sussex Inclusion Team' to talk about bullying in each of our classes. They did a different activity for each class depending on the age of the children. In Puffins and Eagles there was a role play where a scenario was given and children had to work out if it was 'banter' or 'bullying'. Everyone in the school also made a Mental Health promise saying what they could do to make themselves happy. We hope your child has shared their mental health promise with you. If they haven't - ask them about it! - Felix

### **Golden Table**

Well done to Table 7 and Table 3 who won the golden table!

I look forward to seeing you at some of the many Christmas Events over the next few weeks.

With kind regards

Lisa Pestell

Headteacher

<b>Tm 2/Week 4</b>		
Monday	25/11	Eagles Class Assembly, 9.10am, Village Hall Puffins (Year 4) Forest School Netball Club, 3-4pm Newspaper Club, 3-4pm
Tuesday	26/11	Peacocks Learning Journeys in Classroom, 9.10am - Parents Welcome Violin Lessons KS1 Multi Skills Event, Freedom Leisure, 3.45-5.15pm Tennis Club, 3-4pm Homework Club, 3-4pm
Wednesday	27/11	Year 6, Rugby Festival, Uckfield Rugby Club, 1-3pm
Thursday	28/11	Peacocks Forest School Eagles Archaeologist Visit at BlackBoys Chess Club, Lunchtime Session Puffins Recorder Lesson Ukulele Club, 3-4pm Guitar Club, afternoon sessions All Stars Football Club, 3-4pm Federation Football Club, 3-4pm at Blackboys
Friday	29/11	Flu Vaccination Visit PTFA Christmas Fair, 5-8pm
<b>Tm 2 /Week 5</b>		
Monday	02/12	Puffins Forest School Netball Club, 3-4pm Newspaper Club, 3-4pm
Tuesday	03/12	Violin Lessons Tennis Club, 3-4pm Homework Club, 3-4pm
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Thursday	05/12	Lions Roar Final, Wakehurst Place, 9-12.30pm Peacocks Forest School Chess Club, lunchtime session Guitar Club, afternoon sessions Puffins Class Recorder Lesson PTFA Book Fair, 3-4pm Ukulele Club, 3-4pm All Stars Football Club, 3-4pm Federation Football Club, 3-4pm at Blackboys Big Sing, Eastbourne 5.30pm
Friday	06/12	PTFA Book Fair, 3-4pm Late Night Christmas Shopping in Uckfield from 5 pm including Christmas Tree Festival and Singing. Please sign up for singing and arrive by 7.10 pm (numbers limited to 40)

### **Future Dates:**

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December inclusive, 3 pm - 4 pm - PTFA Book Fair in school**

**Wednesday 11th and Friday 13th December, 9.15am - School Nativity**

**Thursday 12th December - Polling Day, no hot lunches. Please ensure your child brings a packed lunch.**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm - Rainbow Theatre Christmas Pantomime - Dick Whittington**

**Tuesday 17th December 9.30am - Christmas Service at St Thomas a Becket Church, all parents welcome, children to come to school at the usual time.**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - School Christmas Lunch**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - INSET DAY**

### **SPRING TERM -**

**Friday 31st January, 7.00 pm, Framfield Memorial Hall - Quiz Night**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - Year 6 Trip to Houses of Parliament**

**Saturday 28th March, 8 - 11.30pm - Saturday Nights Alright! Elton John tribute and licenced bar - Framfield Village Hall - all proceeds go to School**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - INSET DAY**

### **SUMMER TERM -**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May - KS2 SATS**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May - Eagles Class Modern Foreign Languages Trip to France.**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 Bikeability Course**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - INSET DAY**