



Perseverance, Thankfulness, Fellowship, Respect, Courage, Wisdom

Our Value for the term is Courage

Framfield Church of England Primary School Newsletter

10.02.2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been excellent to see so many of you take the opportunity to meet with class teachers in Parent Consultation Meetings this week. It brings a busy term 3 to a close in such a positive way.

Term 4 begins on Monday 20th February and will be a really exciting term. Reasons for that are: World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March; a school council planned Red Nose Day event on Friday 17th March; and every Thursday on term 3 we will be working with Project Touchline. More information can be found inside this newsletter.

Message from Chair of Governors Mr Tim Murray regarding Headteacher Recruitment

Dear Parents/Carers,

I wrote to you in Term 1 to inform you that the Governors, in collaboration with Mr Sullivan, had decided to continue the interim leadership arrangements for the remainder of this Academic Year.

I write to inform you that, as planned, we will be restarting the recruitment process for a permanent, full-time Headteacher at Framfield with the position to be advertised this month. As before, we will work in collaboration with the Diocese and the Local Authority. We aim to have a new Headteacher recruited for September 2023.

The Governors thank Mr Sullivan, Mrs Kent, Mrs Sullivan and the teaching and support staff across the Federation for the fantastic team approach and collaboration in both schools during this interim period. This close working relationship will continue to be a focus when Framfield's new Headteacher is in post. We also thank parents and carers for your continued support.

If you have any questions for Governors, please contact me either through the school office or via email chair@stbchurchofenglandfed.co.uk

Yours sincerely

Mr Tim Murray

Chair of Governors.

Puffins Staff Update

We write to update you about the members of staff teaching and working with Puffins Class after the Easter Break.

As you will know, Mrs Cranston and Mrs Ford were contracted to cover Miss Black's maternity leave. With Miss Black returning to teach Kingfishers Class, we are pleased that Mrs Cranston has agreed to continue teaching Puffin Class on a Monday and Tuesday until the end of the academic year. She will job share the class with Mrs Pepper, who will teach the class on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Mrs Pepper is an experienced class teacher, having taught in a range of year groups over her career and the children will have got to know her since Christmas. Mrs Neal will continue as Teaching Assistant on Mondays and Tuesdays. Mrs West will continue as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Both provide excellent learning support to the class.

We thank and acknowledge the work of Mrs Ford who has been a positive influence on Puffins Class and we wish her well with future plans and endeavours.

Project Touchline

We are looking forward to welcoming Chris Andrews from Project Touchline to Framfield school every Thursday in term 4. Chris is a UKCC Rugby and Cricket coach and a C of E Reader, Minister and Archbishops' Evangelist. His work with Project Touchline is to combine Sport with Faith and Values.



Each Thursday during Term 4, Chris will start the day with an assembly based on two of our school values, Respect and Fellowship. Then each class will have a sports coaching session with Chris. The main theme of Chris's work is relationships and respect, teaching the children how to play sports in a positive, friendly way. It sounds like an exciting term and we hope that it will have a really positive impact on the children.

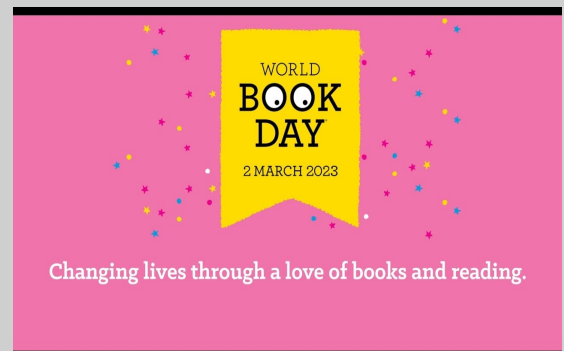
Chris will also work with the children on some creative artwork and produce a video of his time at Framfield School, which we will use on our school website to promote the school. The office are distributing Parent Consent forms for this, so please keep a look out.

World Book Day- Thursday 2nd March 2023

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day this year. On Thursday 2nd March, we will be offering pupils the opportunity to come to school dressed as a book character. This is an optional activity and one which we wouldn't want to involve a huge amount of expense. Simple, fun costumes are ideal, and the main purpose is to stimulate talk about characters and books in the classroom.

Like last year, we will run the very popular Masked Reader competition, to see if you can identify the disguised members of staff reading their favourite books.

We will also be holding a Bedtime at Framfield event on World Book Day. Children from both schools will be invited to Framfield between 6-7pm for a bedtime story or two in their year groups. Please see the letter attached regarding this.



Pupil Leadership Meeting and Logo Competition

Our Federation Pupil Leadership Team met this week and are excited to announce a super competition for the half term break. They are looking for a logo/design for our St Thomas à Becket Federation. Something that can go on our letterheaded paper and websites for example. A separate letter with entry details will be distributed alongside this newsletter.





Year 3 Personal Best Challenge

Some representatives from Year 3 visited Uckfield College on Tuesday to challenge themselves with some sporting activities. The group worked very hard, setting themselves some tough personal best challenges and impressed the accompanying Mrs Neal with their support of each other. Well done.

Safer Internet Day

Miss Reis, a teacher at Blackboys School and Federation Computing Lead visited Framfield on Tuesday to run a Safer Internet Day assembly with our pupils. Miss Reis carefully explored the positives and negatives of being online and the children left with strategies and tips to keep themselves safer.



'Overcoming Overwhelm' at School: A session to support families. Friday 17th March 1.30-3pm

We would like to invite all parents/carers to this one-off course run by Emma Connor from Your Space Therapies. Please contact the School Office to book your free space.

This course explains what happens to children's brains and bodies when they experience extreme overwhelm. We explore ways to support parents manage their own anxieties in order to help their children and creative ways to listen and communicate well with children who are struggling with big feelings. Examples of therapeutic games, activities and strategies that will help calm, soothe and overcome anxiety are provided for children age 2-11.

School Disco, Friday 17th March

Parents from our Year 6 class are running a school disco to help towards the Year 6 PGL trip this year. The disco will run in the same way as the PTFA discos. Tickets will be available via Parentpay from today.

Peacocks and Kingfishers class 3-4:30pm

Puffins and Eagles 4:45-6pm

£5 per child including sweets, crisps and drink.



One of our parents is running the Brighton marathon in April for Autism Awareness and is hoping to raise some money for a charity that is very close to his heart.

"My son, Austin, was recently diagnosed as Autistic and if we can raise some money to help any other families (as we know first hand it isn't always easy) or just further raise awareness, then it's a no brainer!

Race day falls on World Autism Awareness Day, so we have no better day to do it! Any donations would be very much appreciated."

If you like to donate please click on the link to Harry's Justgiving page -

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/harry-knight13?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=harry-knight13&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=a09dab01eeee4309b7dde9e77bc25c0d&fbclid=IwAR1rJrITqkTNaEhe9kp9ssI2J6hTUsLQ8WIwecWYS-KTUO2ItToBr2dspWA



Work over the half term break.

As previously mentioned, over half term our oak tree in the school grounds is being cut down for Health and Safety purposes, following an ESCC Tree Survey. We aim to plant a replacement tree in the spring.

We are also seeing the beginning of our long awaited shed renovation project in the school playground.

*** Well done to Ash House who had the most house points this term. Pupils from Ash House will be able to wear their own clothes on MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY ***

PTFA News

Second Hand Uniform: Although it is February, spring is in the air!! Maybe you are having a Spring sort out? Do you have any outgrown uniform that you could donate to the PTFA? Donating uniform is great for the environment and supports the PTFA raising funds for our children's school. Please leave donations (in a waterproof bag!) in the drop off box at school.

Yes Please: All Framfield logo uniform including jumpers, cardigans, tee-shirts, book bags and PE bags trousers/ dresses/skirts & Summer uniform

No Thank you: Socks and tights. White non logo tee-shirts

*** * * * PTFA Summer Fair: Date for your diaries! Saturday 24th June 12-3pm! * * ***

Celebrating Success



Week 1

Puffins

Thomas

Harry. P

Sofia

Eagles

Violet and Mollie

Jasmine

Oscar

Week 2

Puffins

Sofia

Jacob

Tom. P

Eagles

Mollie

Jasmine

Oscar

STARS OF THE WEEK!

Peacocks - Joshua

Kingfishers - Bowen and Max

Puffins - Quinn and Luca

Eagles - Cordelia and Piper

Peacocks - Oscar

Kingfishers - Kai and Nata

Puffins - All of Puffins!

Eagles - Violet and Jasmine

Spelling Shed

1st place

Week 1 Yr 5

Week 2 Yr 5

2nd place

Week 1 Yr 6

Week 2 Yr 6

3rd Place

Week 1 Yr 6

Week 2 Yr 4

Mathletics



Gold

Week 1

Week 2



Silver

Week 1

Gregory Hall

Week 2

Future Dates:

INSET DAYS

Friday 31st March

Friday 21st July

SPRING TERM

Friday 24th February

Thursday 2nd March

Tuesday 7th March

Friday 17th March 1.30-3pm

Friday 17th March

Wednesday 22nd March

Monday 27th March

Year 6 Houses of Parliament Trip

World Book Day

Kingfishers Trip to Drusillas

'Overcoming Overwhelm' at School. A course to support families.

School Disco

Peacocks Trip to Blackberry Farm

Puffins Hands on History Workshop at Blackboys

SUMMER TERM

Wednesday 24th May

Friday 24th June

12th/13th/14th July

Year 6 French Trip

PTFA Summer Fair

Year 6 PGL Trip

Tm 4/Week 1		
Monday	20/02	Red Butler Music Lessons KS2 Gym Club 3-4pm KS2 Computing Club, 3-4pm Federation Football, 3.15-4.15 at Blackboys
Tuesday	21/02	Reading Café Club, 12-12.45pm Red Butler Music Lessons Le Tennis Club, 3-4pm Art Club, 3-4pm All Stars Football Club, 3-4pm
Wednesday	22/02	Open the Book Assembly Peacocks Forest School Year 5 Forest School
Thursday	23/02	Puffins Recorder Lessons Project Touchline
Friday	24/02	Year 6 Houses of Parliament Trip
Tm 4/Week 2		
Monday	27/02	Red Butler Music Lessons KS2 Gym Club 3-4pm KS2 Computing Club, 3-4pm Federation Football, 3.15-4.15 at Blackboys
Tuesday	28/02	Reading Café Club, 12-12.45pm Red Butler Music Lessons Le Tennis Club, 3-4pm Art Club, 3-4pm All Stars Football Club, 3-4pm Year3/4 Tag Rugby coaching, UCTC, 3.45-5pm
Wednesday	01/03	Open the Book Assembly Peacocks Forest School Year 5 Forest School
Thursday	02/03	Puffins Recorder Lesson Project Touchline
Friday	03/03	



Thursday 2nd March 6:00pm – 7:00pm
Framfield School

Bedtime at Framfield

To celebrate World Book Day, on Thursday 2nd March from 6:00pm – 7:00pm we are offering the children, from both Framfield and Blackboys School, the opportunity to come together to listen to bedtime stories.

This evening event will take place at Framfield School. Parents will be able to drop off and staff will be there from both schools to look after them for the hour. So enjoy the time off. For tonight, we've got the story time taken care of!

We welcome all of the children to come wearing their pyjamas, bringing their cuddly toys and a pillow for comfort. The staff will also be taking part in this!

Children will be read stories in their different age groups. Staff from the different year groups will be bringing their favorite bedtime stories, so there will be something for everyone!

Hot chocolate and a biscuit will be available too, for that authentic bedtime story experience.

We hope to see as many of the children there as possible.

Kind regards,

Miss Norvell
Federation English Leader

St Thomas á Becket Church of England Federation

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Interim Head of School:
Mrs H Sullivan

Interim Deputy Headteacher:
Mrs N Kent

Interim Executive Headteacher:
Mr G Sullivan

Friday 10th February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

I met recently with our Pupil Leadership team and they rightly pointed out that our Federation letterhead is missing a St Thomas á Becket Church of England Federation logo. I agreed with them and we decided to therefore create a competition to take place over the half term break.

We would love pupils to get creative and to design an emblem/logo for our Federation. This is not to replace our individual School identities, but to enhance our Federation's.

On the reverse of this letter is an entry form. If your child would like to enter, please use the box space to create their vision, returning alongside a 50p entry fee to the School Office by 9.00am Tuesday 21st February 2023.

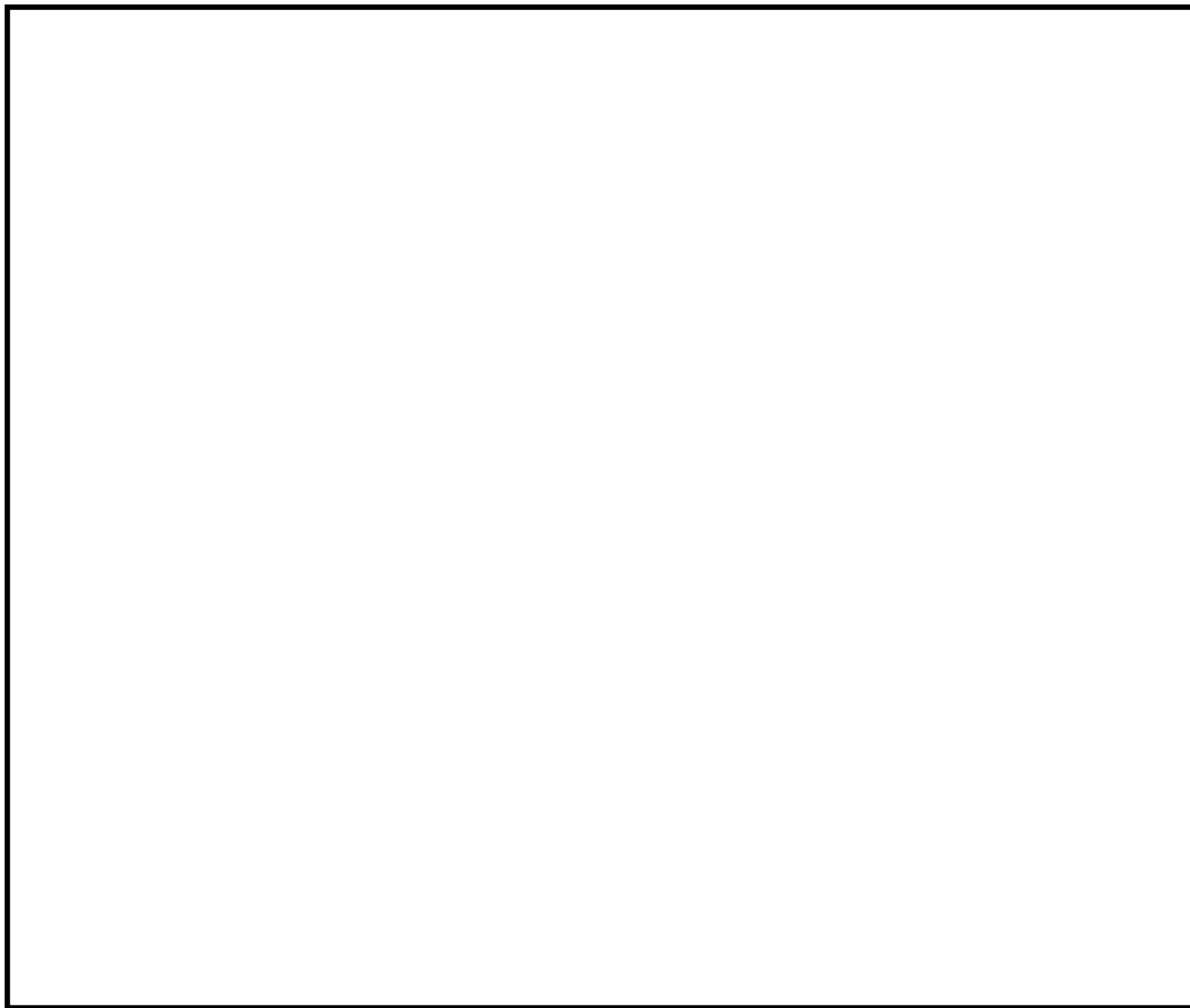
We will have a range of prizes to award chosen entries and the overall winner will have the pleasure of seeing their design become reality. Entries will be shortlisted by myself and the Federation pupil leadership team. The overall winner will then be chosen by Federation staff and governors.

Yours sincerely

Mr G Sullivan and the Pupil Leadership Team, Blackboys and Framfield CEP Schools
Interim Executive Headteacher

Logo Top Tips!

- Your logo needs to have a border, be it square, circular or even 'shield' shaped.
- You may wish to combine the two badges of Blackboys and Framfield School, focus on St Thomas á Becket Church, think of a design to recognise the bond between our two villages or an idea of your choice.
- Your logo needs to be initially black/white, so you can get creative with shading!



Name:

Year Group:

School:

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I enclose 50p (cash) entry fee.

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES TO BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY TUESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY,
9AM**