

-Slindon CofE Primary School Newsletter



26th January 2024

Exploring Spirituality!

Dear Parents/Carers,

You may have seen that over the last couple of weeks we have had a prayer space set up in the school. This was a wonderful opportunity for us to celebrate 'Prayer week' and reflect on our spirituality and faith. Please see the report and pictures below.

We have also seen the start of our competitive sport, with some of the year 5/6 children taking part in a dodgeball competition, as part of our sports partnership with The Regis School. The children played well and had a lot of fun, while taking part.

I am also very thankful to the parents who turned up on a cold, wet Sunday to help to clear some of the grounds. Over the last year we have done a lot of work on the grounds, but we are always in need of support. On this Sunday, we saw the fruit cage chopped back, the orchard trimmed and the start of clearing out our yard area.

Finally, we are delighted to be working with Thought-full, to support mental health awareness in our school. A letter was emailed out to invite parents to anxiety, fear and worry workshops, which I hope you will be able to attend. You do not have to attend all of the workshops, just one will allow you to ask questions and gain support.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Laura Webb
Headteacher

Dates

6/2	Yr 3/4 Football Tournament
7/2	Yr 5/6 Netball Tournament
9/2	Intra school hockey
9/2	Yr 5/6 Football tournament
19/2	Inset day
22/2	Yr 5/6 Parliament trip
26/2- 1/3	Bikeability training
27/02	Bronze Ambassador (Yr 5)
7/3	World Book Day
8/3- 15/3	British Science Week

This half term we are learning about trust, linked to faithfulness.

We have moved on to how trust looks different, to different people. The children have been coming up with some interesting ideas.

What's happening in school?

Prayer Space

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been celebrating 'Prayer Week' which runs from the 18th – 24th January.

We decided to create a prayer space in the school library and were lucky enough to have support from St Mary's Church and some wonderful volunteers.

All of the classes visited the prayer space twice. The first time they were guided around the activities, and each was explained to them. The second time they were able to independently take part in the activities.

The whole experience was to give the children a sense of spirituality, prayer and reflection. The space celebrated a variety of religions, and enabled the children to ask questions of their own belief and faith.



Maths fact

Roman numerals

- There is no Roman numeral for zero.
- Roman numerals can be written for 3 times. For example, XXX is 30, but XXXX is not 40; it will be XL.

English fact!

Semi-colon

The most common way to use a semi-colon is to join two main clauses without using conjunctions like 'and', 'but' or 'so'. Here are two main clauses: My grandmother gave me a kiss on the cheek. Her whiskers were very ticklish.

Standard School Year 2023/2024

Recommended school term and holiday dates for the academic year 2023/2024 for West Sussex

The School Year





	2023			
	September	October	November	December
Monday	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Tuesday	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26
Wednesday	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Thursday	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Friday	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Saturday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30
Sunday	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
	2024			
	January	February	March	April
Monday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Tuesday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Wednesday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
Thursday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Friday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Saturday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Sunday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
	May	June	July	August
Monday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Tuesday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Wednesday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
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Bank and Public Holidays 2023/2024

Christmas Holiday	25th December 2023	May Day	6th May 2024
Boxing Day	26th December 2023	Spring Bank Holiday	27th May 2024
New Year Day Holiday	1st January 2024	Summer Bank Holiday	26th August 2024
Good Friday	29th March 2024		
Easter Monday	1st April 2024		

Useful Information

Term Lengths (days)

School holidays		September to October half term	36 days
		October to December	35 days
Bank holidays and national holidays		January to February half term	29 days
		February to April	29 days
Start of Term		April to May half term	29 days
		June to July	37 days
End of Term		Total	195 days

Please note that the first day of the autumn term in September 2024 will not be determined until the 2024/25 timetable has been consulted upon and approved.

Safeguarding at Slindon

What is safeguarding?

Visitors coming on to school premises, including the playground, have a duty of care towards the welfare and safety of the children and adults in the school. This is called safeguarding.

Safeguarding means that:

- children are protected from maltreatment
- a child's health or development is protected
- children grow up with safe and effective care
- action is taken to ensure the best outcomes for all children

Safeguarding is the action we take to promote the welfare of children in our care to protect them from harm. **We take this responsibility very seriously** and we work in close partnership with parents and professionals to protect all of our children. The school will take any reasonable action to ensure the welfare and safety of its pupils is maintained.

Our staff and governors have been trained on safeguarding in line with the KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN EDUCATION document and have taken part in 'PREVENT'.

If you worried about a child's safety you can contact IFD (Integrated Front Door) directly on [01403 229900](tel:01403229900)

Who to contact in our school

If in doubt, talk to someone... Designated Safeguarding Lead

Miss Laura Webb, Headteacher

Designated Safeguarding Deputies

Mrs Hazel Flower, School Business Manager

Mrs Karen Cooper, School Secretary

Safeguarding Governor

Mrs Katy Horner

Or you can email: dsl@slindonprimary.co.uk


REMEMBER, KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TOO!

Headlice

Over the last few months, we have seen an increase in the number of headlice cases in the school. Please ensure you are checking your child's hair regularly and treating any lice found.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Please remember that we are now strictly a 'no nut' school. Please ensure that the food you send into school for your child has no traces of nut products.



Children's Holiday Activity Club

4-12 year olds

Established in 2005
with the view of offering both sports and creative activities throughout the day. Starting with just one venue in Chichester we have built on our reputation and now have six venues around West Sussex.




01798 873077

only £32 per day

* Bulk booking discounts available

Venues

- 1 St Joseph's CE Junior School, Chichester
- 2 Shoreham College, Shoreham
- 3 Steyning Grammar School, Upper Beeding
- 4 Leechpool Primary School, Horsham
- 5 St Francis Catholic Primary School, Caterham

Our Locations



Ample free parking at all sites

Operating Dates

FEB HALF TERM: Sites 1, 2, 3, 5
EASTER: Sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
MAY HALF TERM: Sites 1, 2, 4, 5
OCTOBER HALF TERM: Sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
CHRISTMAS: n/a

SPORTING ACTIVITIES

- Football
- Cricket/Kwick Cricket
- Tennis/Short Tennis
- Basketball
- Rounders
- Mini Sports
- Team Games
- Adventure Playground
- Field Activities
- Mini Olympics
- Dodge Ball
- Tag Rugby

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

- Cooking
- Face Painting
- Painting & Sticky Stuff
- Play Dough Modelling
- Story Telling
- Arts and Crafts
- Dance and Drama
- Treasure Hunts
- Themed Days
- Picnics
- Easter Egg Hunts
- Board Games

Active Fun!

TIMES & PRICES

Day Activities
9am - 4.45pm (per day) £32.00

EXTRAS

Early Birds
8.15am - 9.00am (per day) £4.50

Late Leavers
4.45pm - 5.45pm (per day) £4.50

Tuck
£1.00 (per day)

Sickness & Flexibility Insurance
£2.00 (per day)

We are certified




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MAKERSPACE
CREATIVE INDUSTRY

See what's going on at the **Makerspace!**



Cookery on a Budget

Practice a wide variety of cooking skills, learn new recipes and enjoy sharing ideas with a friendly group in our welcoming training kitchen.

Best of all, take home what you've made!

Tuesdays | 10am - 1pm

Carpentry & DIY

Perfect opportunity for beginners or improvers to learn how to use carpentry tools safely and gain the skills to work on your own DIY projects at home.

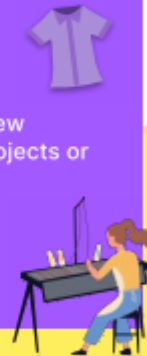
Fridays | 10am - 1pm



Fabric Workshop

Come and join a friendly fabric workshop where you can try new skills, get help with existing projects or learn new techniques.

Mondays | 9:30am - 1:30pm



Free for adults

All courses are free for adults looking to improve their maths skills. Visit bognormake.co.uk to find out more or contact us to get involved!

- * 01243 345239
- * learn@makingtheatre.co.uk

The Bognor Makerspace
58-60 Longford Road, Bognor Regis, PO21 1AG

