

Newsletter 12 01/03/2024

Dear Families,

We had a very productive INSET day on the first day back after the holidays. Ms Katona and Mr Beckwith worked hard on all things Health and Safety. We had a visit from Surrey and they were really impressed with how well looked after the school is. One of our school rules is: We respect our environment – it was really clear that this is followed through by our whole community.

The teachers are working hard on the annual reports and discussing the progress the children have made since the start of the school year.

It has been lovely to have Mrs Walker back in school these past 2 weeks. She has settled back in to the swing of school life.

It was International Mother Language day on 21st February. We are so lucky to have such a diverse community of families and staff. I enjoyed walking around school hearing children speaking in their home language. We have over 30 languages spoken within our community.



KS2 have been planting more in our raised beds with Cook, Grow and Enjoy. It is so interesting seeing some of our crops already growing and how we need to be very aware of the weather to make sure the crops thrive. Thanks, as always, to you the parents for



helping fund this lovely project.

It was World Thinking Day on 22nd February. This is a day where organisations recognise the value of friendship and empowerment. It was wonderful to see such a range of uniforms on display from the children – I enjoyed talking to the children about what they had to do to achieve the various badges they had been awarded.



Mr Batty presented to our governors last week on all the great work that is happening with our maths curriculum. Mr Batty is delivering lots of staff training and we are working really closely with the local maths hub. We are really hearing positive conversations from the children about their maths learning.



Our Year 2 children had a wonderful trip to the Watts Gallery on Wednesday this week. They impressed as art detectives and also as brilliant representatives of the school. Well done year 2.

We celebrated the work of the local Air Ambulance service this week by wearing red in February. It is lovely to be able to celebrate the great work that happens within our community. If you have local charities that you would like to suggest we support, please do let us know and we will talk to our year 6 house captains to get their input.

I'd like to say a huge thank you to our support staff team who are outside supporting the children to have positive playtimes, whatever the weather. We seem to have had all sorts of weather over the last few weeks and it is lovely to see the children being able to enjoy their playtimes come rain or shine.

Thank you to our Head Boy and Girl, with some help from the year 6 team, for organising our 'Big Debate'.

Congratulations to our acting company of Y5 children for your superb assembly this morning. You thoroughly entertained us and taught us some new things too. We know that you have had very little time to prepare, so we were really impressed.

We say farewell to Miss Valbuena at the end of this term and are looking forward to welcoming to Mr Oliver to our teaching team. He comes with a wealth of experience and expertise and is very excited to be joining us.

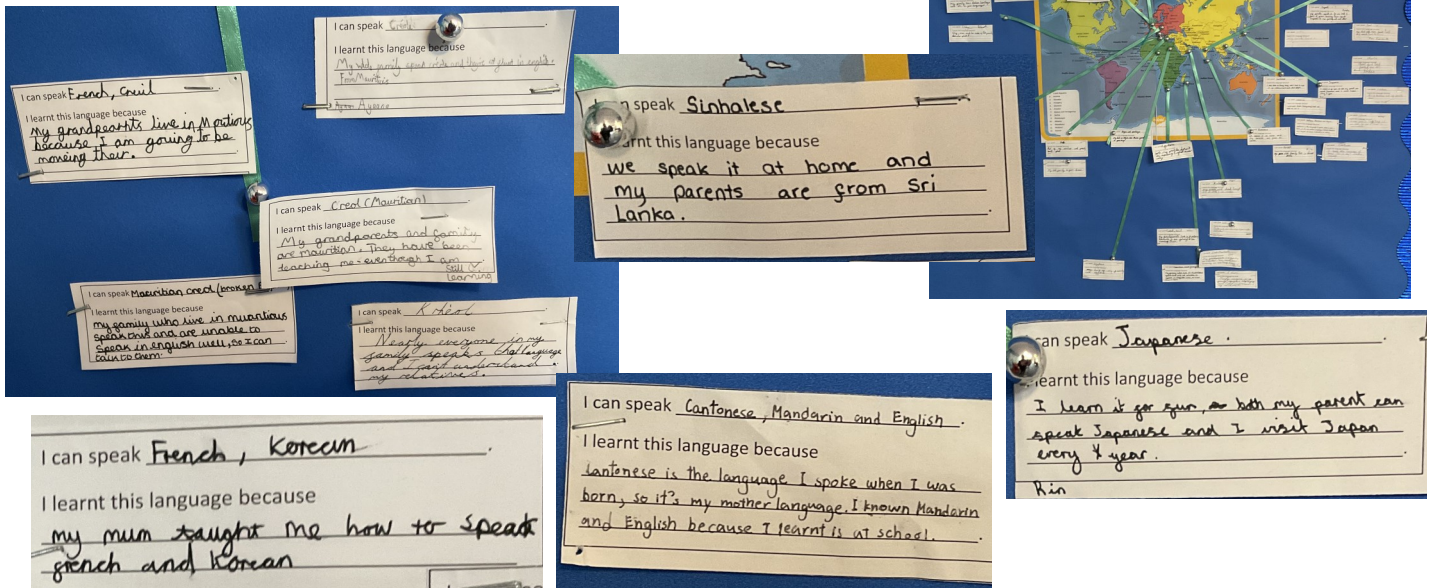
My apologies to families who thought we would be dressing up for World Book Day next week. I realise I had not made it explicit that we would not be dressing up this year in the communications. In future, I will add to dates whether it will be dressing up/or not alongside. We are very much looking forward to welcoming in the parents who have so kindly volunteered to talk to us about your fascinating jobs; we also are looking forward to unmasking our 'Masked reader' at the end of the week. Don't forget, you are invited to pop in and have a look at the classes 'Fairy Tale doors' on Friday (8th) and to take any left over books from the book swap to enjoy at home together. Please see the link which gives you some ideas as families how you can celebrate World Book day at home too. <https://wordsforlife.org.uk/themes/celebrate-world-book-day-at-home/>

Lauren Clogg
Headteacher

Dates to look out for:

Thursday 7.03.24	World Book Day (school uniform) Book swap
Friday 8.03.24 End of school day until 3:45pm	Opportunity to look at the Fairy tale classroom doors
Mon 11.03.24 & Tue 12.03.24 P.M	Reception Parent Consultations
Fri 22.03.23 P.M	Easter Disco (arranged by the Friends)
Mon 25.03.24	Reports out to Y1-Y6 parents
Wed 27.03.24 After school – 5pm	Open Classroom and Report Response
Thur 28 th Mar 1:30pm	Break up for Easter (school closes at 1:30pm)

Celebrating languages from around the world



It's a thumbs up for the Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance Service



The Aunt of Abi, in Joshua, and Max, in Wilmot works for the London Air Ambulance Service. Although we are wearing red today to raise awareness of the Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance Service, and she works for London, she is super proud that we wanted to do this, and says THANK YOU for being aware!

Year 2 visit Watts Gallery



On Wednesday we were so excited because we were going to Watts art gallery! First we went on a coach it took 45 minutes and it was very bumpy! Next we put our bags away. Then half of us went to sketch paintings and the other half went to sketch sculptures. After that we swapped. Then it was lunchtime! In the afternoon we went to Lingerslease House and we saw George and Mary's studios and sketched some interesting ceiling tiles. Finally we went to a workshop to do printing with Styrofoam and printing ink before getting back on the coach. It was a very exciting but tiring day!

By Alice and Caden in Simmonds class



There were mixed reactions in Y6 today as they tried different fruit and vegetables from Africa. Have you tried dragon fruit, pomelo, avocado, sweet potato or lychees?



The children in Y1 have been learning an important skill this term: how to give and follow directions (left, right, forwards, backwards) including distance (number of steps), to help them find something. Geography is both useful and fun!





Celebrating with Guiding and Scouting boys and girls around the world

SHINE

Well done to the children who received a SHINE certificate:

Kinsella **Aishani, Evie and James**

Rashford

Ethan and Levi

Tuilagi **Sara and Zeki**

Joshua

Haajar and Liyana

Federer **Loreta and Sofia**

Simmonds

Andre and Ashton

Daley **Esias, Gracie and Seunghyun**

Wilmot

Armin and Samuel

Groves **Freddie and Roberts**

Kenny

Adhyut and Charlotte

Holland **Jayden and Tommy**

Peacock

Devashree and Anna

Hamilton **Drew and Frankie**

Anderson

Rin and Stacey

Phone: 01372 743104 (select option 1 for absences and option 2 for the office)

E-mail: info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk
Polly Sawyer After school club: 07921 147335

Football coach and Former Morden Little League and Raynes Park Vale player, David Vaughan, pens a new children's story book focusing on mental health.



Harry Heal the Friendly Footballer is a prose picture book for ages 4-8, which is based on some of the David Vaughan's own life and his football playing and coaching experiences from his childhood to modern day. The book has a football backdrop with an educational aspect, dealing with issues such as anxiety, community and friendship through football and geography.

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- Borrowing and credit
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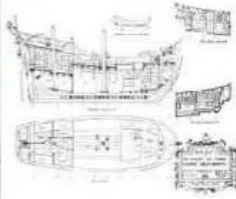
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The Worst Jobs at Sea

April 13 1pm to 2.30pm



Discover the worst jobs at sea, including the roles of the Scrubber, the Cook, the Powder Monkey and the Surgeon. Can you escape to become a Navigator? We look at the equipment they used, as well as the Boatswain and Carpenter. We have objects for each and willing volunteers can demonstrate each job. We go aboard the Nonsuch galleon. She was built by Queen Mary in 1555 as the *Philip and Mary*, renamed *Nonpareil* in 1584, and commanded by Sir Francis Drake in 1588. In June 1602 the English fleet with the *Nonpareil* defeated a Spanish galley fleet, taking a ship loaded with treasure valued at over a million ducats. In 1603 she was renamed *Nonsuch*, rebuilt as a great ship of 454 tons carrying 32 guns.

£5 per child . Contact: David Brooks,
Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell,
Surrey, KT17 1UF
Tel 020 8394 1734.
Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk

Bourne Hall Museum
Kids Club
bringing history alive

Epsom and Ewell history talk on WW2

Wednesday 3 April 11am to 12.30pm

The Borough suffered heavily in World War 2 and from 1940 to 1944, 890 alerts were sounded, 384 people were injured by enemy action and 33 killed. There were more than 200 incidents with 12,234 houses slightly damaged, 413 devastated and 192 destroyed, while thousands of incendiary and anti-personnel bombs were dropped with 440 high explosives, 64 oil and 30 flying bombs falling on the Borough.



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Easter walks and talks

Ewell History walks April 4 10am to 12pm
and April 10 1pm to 3pm

Peel back time and discover Ewell's hidden past and unseen history with a guided walk around the village. A settlement since pre-historic times, Ewell has a rich history concealed beneath the modern village.

Visit Bourne Hall's sacred lake where Bronze, Iron Age and Roman folk made offerings to ancient gods. Tread in the footsteps of the Romans on Stane Street and hear about their sacred shafts. Discover the village's Saxon cemetery and its lost church. Relive the terror of exploding gunpowder mills and hear the area's connections with Saxon Kings, Queen Elizabeth I and William IV. Meet at the entrance to Bourne Hall

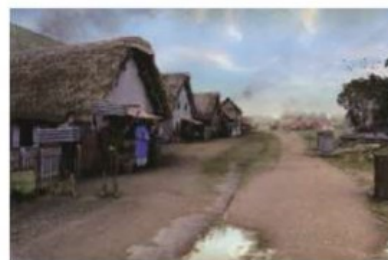


£5 per person. Limited to 20 persons
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Roman Ewell History talk

Thursday 11 April 2pm to 3.30pm

The Romans are coming, building that newfangled thing called a road through the area, and changing a way of life forever. Discover what life was like in Roman Ewell, find out. Discover how people learnt to live with Roman power as a small native village became a busy roadside town. Learn how the building of a road brought a new world of ideas, food, pottery, trade, and strangers to the area and gave locals a chance to see the world. Learn something of their beliefs. Hear tales of the Roman underworld, sacred springs and sacrifices sealing deep sacred shafts full of gifts to the gods. Learn about what was uncovered during a recent dig, even more strange than earlier discoveries!



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**Christ Church, Epsom Common,
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Wednesdays	No training	6.30-7.30pm	6.30-7.30pm	6.45-8pm	6.45-8pm
Sundays	Morning (various times)	9.30-10.30am (or Matches)	9.30-10.30am (or Matches)	10.30-11.30am (or Matches)	11.30-1pm (or Matches)

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U8	Friday	5.00-6.25pm
U9-11	Friday	6.35-8.00pm
U12-14	Thursday	6.30-8.00pm
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