

Newsletter 39 14/07/2017

Dear Parents,

We now have just one more week to go before the end of another fantastic year at Southfield Park and as always we have completed the year with a number of memorable events.

Since the rehearsals began after Easter, everyone has been eagerly anticipating the Phase 3 performance of *Beauty and the Beast*, and those of you that were lucky to secure tickets for the 'sell out' performances, on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, will I am sure agree it was a performance not to be missed! The quality of the acting and singing was truly amazing and inspirational for everyone in the audience. The children really did 'Shine' and everybody, from those who were lucky enough to have starring roles. to those who helped back stage, contributed to making it the huge success it was. Miss David organised and led the production and really excelled herself to create an absolutely superb show. She was lucky to have a great team of teachers, teaching assistants and many parent volunteers behind her who gave up their time over the summer term to help the children master the dancing, singing and acting as well as make the wonderful props and costumes. It really was a whole community effort and one that we should all be extremely proud of. Miss David is already thinking ahead to what she will organise for next year! Huge thanks also to the Friends for organising the interval drinks, giving the show that West End professional feel!

Year 3 had a sensational finish to the topic on the Ancients Greeks with a *Greek Day* this week. The children all came to school in Greek costumes and had a fantastic time consolidating all their learning, including tasting some Greek delicacies! Watch out later in the newsletter for some reports about the day.

As part of their learning about the Jewish faith, Year 1 visited the synagogue in Sutton on Tuesday morning. They travelled by train, which was itself a great adventure, and then had a tour of the synagogue. They were shown all the important parts of the synagogue learning why each is important and also saw the sacred Torah Scrolls. At a time when it is so vital that children develop an awareness and respect for other faiths, we were extremely lucky to have received such a warm welcome from the community at the synagogue and the children found it absolutely fascinating. Thank you to all the parents who came along to help on the morning, I know they really enjoyed the trip too.



Our year 5 Children were invited to Blenheim School on Wednesday morning to take part in science Fair as part of their 'Stemfest'. This gave them opportunities to learn about all the branches of science from specialist science teachers and experience practical 'hands on learning' with resources and equipment they would not have access to in primary School. They relished the opportunity and hopefully we have inspired some scientists of the future! We are very grateful to the science department at Blenheim for the wonderful experience which I know the children loved.

We value feedback from parents about how well we are doing and what we can improve and so ask parents and so at this time of the year, as we draw the academic year to an end, we ask members of the school community to complete a questionnaire. The children have all completed questionnaires in school over the last few weeks, and a letter came home last week which included a link for parents to follow to complete a short online survey. To date, we haven't received many responses so if you have not already done so please follow the link below and spare just five minutes to give us your views. Please click here to complete the survey: [Parent Survey 2017](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/YHKCZ56) or type in <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/YHKCZ56>

The chicks in Reception have started to hatch and everyone is extremely excited! The children in EYFS have been watching the eggs in the incubator carefully for cracks and have been predicting which eggs would hatch first. As I write we now have 2 gorgeous baby chicks. The children are very proud of their new 'babies' and are enjoying finding out how to care for them and watching the chicks grow (which they are doing very quickly!)

Next week is our final week of the year and we still have the Phase 2 Summer Celebration performances to look forward to, as well as our Leaver's events, so the action continues. I hope everyone has a relaxing weekend and is looking forward to a well-earned summer break.

Kind Regards

Kate Gee

Attendance this week



Sparky says "well done!" to **Lowry Class**, who had the best attendance this week with **100%**, and to **Britten, Goldsworthy, Faraday, Nightingale, Holmes, Darwin, Newton, Victoria and Attenborough Classes**, who also had high attendance this week!

Attendance for Monday 10th - Friday 14th July



Day trip to Ancient Greece

On Tuesday, Year 3 took part in a Greek day to finish off their Groovy Greek topic. We really enjoyed seeing the children all dressed up as various Greek Gods and Goddesses, soldiers and Kings. The children had the opportunity to taste some traditional Greek foods. It was very impressive to see them all trying things which they have never eaten before, especially the olives. Throughout the day, both classes took part in a Greek workshop where they all got together in their formations to perform different battles. They also enjoyed performing the different Greek myths which we have been learning in class. Finally, the children have created some excellent Greek pots using clay. All in all a brilliant day!

Mrs Parry-Finneran and Miss Brown

“I loved making the Greek pottery out of clay” - Jessica Morrison-Holmes

“I liked the Greek workshop so much. I felt like I had gone back in time as we re-enacted the Greek battles the myths.”- James Arnold- Redgrave



Police Interrogation

On Tuesday afternoon, Churchill class had a visit from Sergeant Wiltshire (Lucy Wiltshire's dad). He came in to speak to us about his career in the Police Force and answered LOTS of our questions! We learnt what qualifications and experience you need to become a policeman, what you need to wear (and how heavy it all is) and how to deal with very tricky situations. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Wiltshire for giving up his time and coming in to talk to us. We found your stories very interesting and think you are very brave!



Chicks make their appearance in Reception

There has been excitement in Britten and Elgar this week as some of the eggs hatch! The chicks came out of their shells a little damp, but soon turned fluffy under the heat lamp!



Exploring Science

On Tuesday, Shakespeare and Victoria classes travelled to Blenheim High School for the Stem Fest science experience. We started the day with a range of exciting experiments to conduct and then had an 'interview' with astronaut Tim Peak, learning all about what it takes to live in space.

Luke Moore "it was interesting and I learnt a lot of new things"

Ellie McCormack "The activities were great - but the animal heart was creepy!"

Eden Mander "Some of the activities were gruesome, like the digestive system of an animal!"

Isaac "Utterly mind-blowing - I loved the air zookers!"



Sutton Synagogue

On Tuesday morning Year 1 excitedly walked to the train station and boarded the train to Sutton. When we arrived at Sutton we had a short walk to the synagogue where we were greeted by two lovely ladies. As we walked in the boys were given a kippuh which they put on their heads. Inside the synagogue the ladies talked to us about the important features and showed us the amazing torah scrolls which were kept in a special ark. We were then able to eat special plaited bread called challah which is eaten during special Jewish occasions. We also looked and learnt about different Jewish books and toys. We had an amazing morning and are very grateful to Sutton synagogue for having us.

This is what the children thought.....

‘I enjoyed tasting the food’ Sofia

‘I enjoyed using the pointer to read the torah’ Kiara

‘I enjoyed seeing all of the torahs behind the curtain’ Ollie



School Dinners from September 2017

Lunch Patterns for the half term beginning Tuesday 5th September, 2017

Child's Name:

New Class:

Please say for EVERY DAY whether your child will be having a packed lunch (P/L) or school dinner (M)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

Please return this slip for every child, by Friday 21st July, 2017



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Library Renovation

Our library project is coming along well. Our wonderful artist Sarah Hubert, has finished this week and she has done a truly fantastic job. Here's a couple of her designs to give you a sneak preview....



Thank You

As this is our last newsletter of the year it is an opportunity for me to say thank you to all those that have helped to make this year a success. A big heart felt thank you to our PTA Team, [Emma Kirk](#) my Joint Chair, [Gail Dean](#) our Treasurer, [Sam Lynch](#) our Secretary, [Marie O'Farrell](#) our Vice Chair, [Diana Coen](#), [Katia Mirampita](#), [Monika Heritage](#), [Amiee Howard-Tuck](#), [Catherine Neary](#), [Sarah Foulger](#), [Rachel Nicolaou](#), [Taryn Williams](#), [Katharina Lins](#), [Helene Lebas](#), [Louize Khan](#), [Nicola Wells](#), [Suniti Makhecha](#), [Rayan Arnaout](#), [Camilla Ray](#) and [Jacqueline Mayston](#). It has been a pleasure to work with such a great group of ladies - those late nights and all the millions of WhatsApp messages have paid off!

Thank you to [Mrs Gee](#) and [Mrs Crawford](#) who have supported us, agreeing to our crazy plans, shutting up the school late and supporting our events. Thank you to [Mrs Hutton](#) and [Mrs Pereira](#) who support us behind the scenes and an extra thank you to Mrs Pereira for being the only person brave enough to take to the stocks. Thank you to [Mr Kirkland](#) who has supported and hosted many of our events over the years. Good luck with the future Mr K and keep in touch, we'll miss you!

Thank you to [Mr Beckworth](#), our caretaker, for putting up with us and for helping to paint and sort the new library. Thank you to all the [teachers](#) that have come along and supported or helped at our events. Oh, and not forgetting our PTA families, who have been "volunteered" to help with a variety of chores!

Most of all thank you to [all of you](#). Without your on going support and donations we wouldn't have so much success. We appreciate it and are proud to be part of such a great school. I wish you all a wonderful summer and look forward to more fun next year.

Angela Howarth, Joint Chair

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Dates for Your Diary

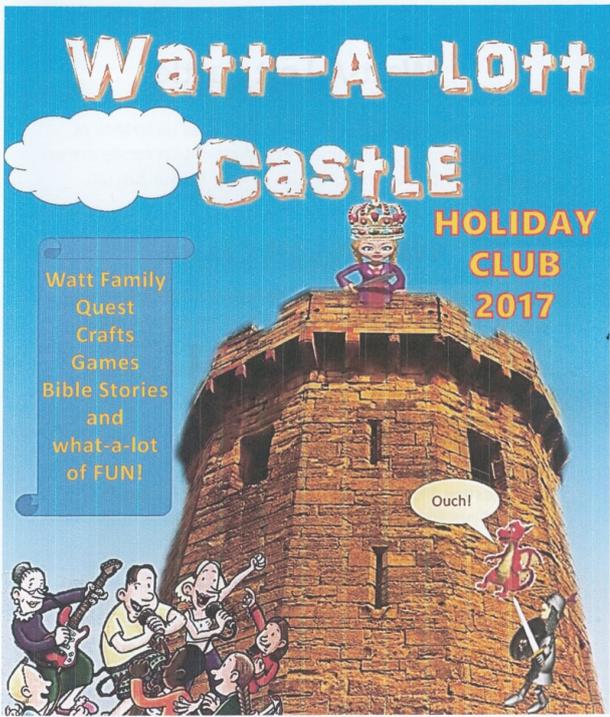
Wed, 20th Sept

First Open Meeting of New School Year- Venue TBC

Sat, 2nd December

Christmas Fair

More dates will be released in September



**For children in years R to year 6
1st, 2nd & 3rd August 2017
10a.m - 12.30 p.m.
Christ Church Ewell
Cheam Road, Ewell, Surrey KT17 1AD**

Watt-A-Lott Castle

'Watt-A-Lott Castle' holiday club encourages us to look at God's Kingdom and His values. The Watt-A-Lott family are on a quest to help save the kingdom of King Arthur Biscuit.

Watt-A-Lott Castle

Is being organised by Christ Church Ewell on the mornings It is for children currently in Reception through to Year 6.

It will be a fun and action packed programme of games, challenges, craft, drama and music. Each day will focus on an aspect of teaching from the Bible.

The sessions on
Tuesday 1st, Wednesday 2nd Thursday 3rd August
will run from
10.00am-12.30pm

The cost is £4 a session per child for the Holiday Club.

To book a place for your child please complete the application form and return it with the money to:-

**Ann Barnes
16 Mount Pleasant
Epsom
KT17 1XE**

**If you have any registration queries, please contact
Ann on 020 8393 6414
email : annbarnes 456@btinternet.com**

**ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE PROCESSES
ON MONDAY 17TH JULY**

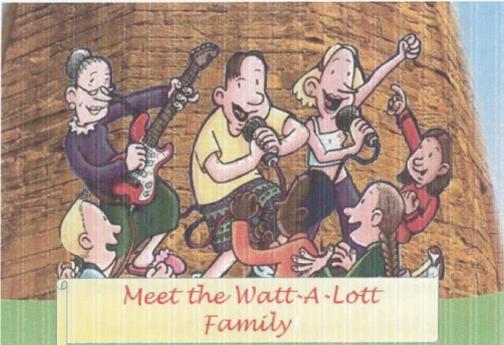
We expect to accommodate all children whose application is received on time.

However for safety, comfort and practical reasons numbers will be limited.

So book early to avoid disappointment!

If the number of applications is greater than the places available, priority will be given to local children attending local schools.

Please fill in the Application Form on the back



Application Form for Watt-A-Lott Castle

Please return this section only to Ann Barnes,
16 Mount Pleasant, Epsom, Surrey KT17 1XE
by Monday 17th July 2017

NOTE: ONE FORM PER CHILD & PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Full name(Boy/Girl)

Will be attending: 1st Aug 2nd Aug 3rd Aug

Address

Post Code

Telephone Number:

Email:

Emergency contact number:

Date of birth: School Year:

School :

Details of any known medical conditions, allergies or special needs:

If you have a friend that is coming, please give us their name:

Signature of Parent/ Guardian:

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian:

I have enclosed £

Tick if you **do not want** your details retained for future events

Payment (preferably cheque) payable to **Christ Church Ewell**

Christ Church Ewell
Cheam Road, Ewell, Surrey KT17 1AD

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CHILDRENS' HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

The summer holidays are coming! If you're wondering how to keep the children occupied during those weeks then check out our Children's Holiday Activities workshops.

Tuesday 25 July	Age 7-11	Sewing Workshop
Thursday 27 July	Age 12-16	Sewing Workshop – The Metre Challenge
Tuesday 1 August	Age 12-16	Restyle a Garment Sewing Workshop
Thursday 3 August	Age 7-11	Craft Workshop
Tuesday 8 August	Age 7-11	Sewing Workshop
Thursday 10 August	Age 12-16	Sewing Workshop – Make a Shoulder Bag
Tuesday 15 August	Age 12-16	Sewing Workshop – The Metre Challenge
Thursday 17 August	Age 7-11	Craft Workshop
Tuesday 22 August	Age 7-11	Sewing Workshop
Thursday 24 August	Age 12-16	Restyle a Garment Sewing Workshop
Tuesday 29 August	Age 12-16	Sewing Workshop – Make a Shopper/School Bag
Thursday 31 August	Age 7-11	Craft Workshop

All workshops are 2.5 hours long, run from 10am-12.30pm and cost £20 per workshop.

Age 7-11 Sewing Workshop
Designed to inspire your child to get sewing. They will learn a range of sewing techniques from threading a needle, cutting, pinning, hand and machine sewing and embroidery. These techniques will be used to make a variety of items.

Age 7-11 Craft Workshop
Designed to inspire them to learn the love for all things crafty. Your child will engage in a range of different crafts including papercraft, felt, beads, collage – the list is endless!

Age 12-16 Sewing Workshop – The Metre Challenge
The challenge is to take one metre of fabric and make something - anything! A top, a skirt, a bag, a cushion - what will they choose? Your child should think about their design prior to the class and bring along any other items they require. However, they must remember they can only use one metre of fabric! Machine and hand sewing techniques will be used.

Age 12-16 Restyle a Garment Sewing Workshop
For children who are keen to learn and utilise their design skills. They bring a garment of their choice - such as a top, a skirt, a pair of trousers, and customise and restyle it to their own design. Customisation and embellishments can be machine or hand sewn, and embroidery and applique can be applied to the garment.

Age 12-16 Sewing Workshop – Make a Bag
For children who would like to make a bag. One workshop will make a Shoulder bag, and the other workshop will make a Shopper/School bag. Machine and hand sewing techniques will be used.

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or email hello@thestitchmouse.co.uk

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7pm Act 1
'Cavalleria Rusticana'

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'Pagliacci'

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