



Forward March!

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we will
live kindly,
love each other,
learn and
laugh together!*

September 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome all the children back to school this term; so many have grown over the summer! A big welcome to our new reception children who have all been in since day one and have settled so well making new friends all around the school.

We hope you had a fantastic break with your children and enjoyed some of the sunshine we managed to get! It has been great to see that the children are refreshed and ready for the new academic year. The building has been a hive of activity over the summer and it was wonderful to witness the excitement that each child had entering and settling into their new classes. The school feels alive again and I can assure you that the hard work has already begun.

We are all hoping for a complete year in school this year after 2 academic years of disruption. Thank you for all your support over this time it has much appreciated throughout the difficult pandemic for all.



Pastor Steve

It is with a very sad heart that I have to let you know that this week Pastor Steve from Arundel Baptist church passed away.

He was an integral part of our school, leading many worships both in school and throughout the whole of Covid on zoom. He taught RE lessons in many classes and always brought a smile where ever he was. We will all miss him lots and his wise words.

Our thought and prayers are with his family at this difficult time.





Nut free school

Can we remind all parents that The March is a nut free school as we have children here who, if they were to even come into contact with someone with nut oil on their hands, would be very ill indeed. Please make sure that no products containing nuts are brought into school in sandwich boxes etc.

Please check Inhalers are in date.

Even if your child hasn't had an asthma attack in a long time, please check that school has an inhaler which is in-date for your child.

Healthy Snacks at break times.

We encourage the children to eat healthy snacks at break times such as fruit, raw veg, or breadsticks, not chocolate or crisps . KS1 and EYFS have fruit provided for them each day as part of the National scheme. We will be reminding of this each week, please support us in doing the same and reminding them in the mornings. As a school we only have water in water bottle not squash. Please remind your children to bring these in each day.

Year R

What a wonderful start to school life for our fantastic new Reception class. The end of the first month already and all the children have settled well. It is an absolute delight to see them all running in, excited and eager to embrace the day, with barely a backward look .

The children really enjoyed their first few Forest School sessions, where they helped collect sticks and logs for the fire, made their own objects in the forest and helped make their lunch, which they devoured.

As you can see the children love the outdoor activities and are very good at being able to independently access them. Here's a few 'Fly on the wall' moments for you to see how independent they are.





Year 6

At the end of their second week in Year 6 the pupils had the wonderful opportunity to go to Goodwood Revival and entertain everyone with their singing! They were all dressed as 1940's school children and travelled on a vintage bus to the grounds. Their singing was mentioned by many people and Mrs Lee was proud of the enthusiasm they had for singing at every opportunity.

When they returned to school the school was filled with chatter with "that was amazing!" and "I'll never forget that!" on the next Monday!

Thank you to our Year 6 parents for making the children lovely lunches and packing them into the gas mask boxes we really appreciated the support early in the morning and for plaiting the girl's hair!

Well done Yr. 6 you did us proud and we are so glad you enjoyed the experience.

The rest of the school were all dressed in 1940's outfits including the teachers and enjoyed the volunteer re-enactment group. A wonderful day for all.





We are very excited to be able to take our school Choir to Young voices In Jan 2022 to the 02 in London

Children taking part in YV have the opportunity to perform in some of the world's greatest arenas alongside incredible artists. To achieve this with all their school friends around them for support, it helps their self-belief, self-motivation, confidence, and ability to communicate as part of a team - which is invaluable! Add to this the numerous health benefits of singing in rehearsals, including breathing exercises to focus the mind - it's no wonder that Young Voices is over-subscribed year after year!

We will be learning lots of new songs and can't wait to share these with you!

Well done to our Year 5 pupils who have been sketching Mayan artefacts this week! As artists you have developed your skills well for shade and tones.



Congratulations to our New School Prefects !!



As a primary school we are very keen to recognise the hard work and positive behaviour of our children and becoming a prefect is a perfect opportunity to recognise and celebrate these qualities. Successful candidates were presented with their badge in assembly today after which they start their job in earnest.

The Prefects at the March CE Primary School must lead by example at all times in their behaviour, the respect they show to others and their school uniform.

A prefect's role is varied and to be awarded a school prefect badge is considered to be a real privilege.

The prefects at the March CE Primary will take on many roles and have many responsibilities, such as:

- Working in the office at lunchtimes
- Checking the ICT suite and new laptops
- Helping in the new Enquiry centre
- Working with classes during wet break times
- Monitoring cloakrooms
- Energy savers, turning lights off at playtimes/dinner times
- Working alongside teachers to promote positive behaviour.
- Supporting the Buddy system in school

- Helping to set up the hall for assemblies
- Showing visitors around the school
- Helping the Headteacher with parent afternoons.
- Working with the school bursar to help raise funds for the school.
- Helping other children understand the school values and the importance of them

Mrs Metcalfe

Finally

If you would like to talk to me about anything, please do call the school, I am here to help and support you all.

Thanks for taking the time to read this newsletter. If you would like to discuss any items from the newsletter in more detail, please do not hesitate to call the school, my door is always 'Open'.

Mrs Nicky Metcalfe

Head Teacher