

# Forward March!

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## July Newsletter 2019.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another successful year draws to a close. It is amazing how much has been achieved by the children, staff, parents and governors in one year. The achievements extend from the academic, to the sporting and the creative arts and to the numerous fun and fundraising of our Family Events team. We achieve so much because we work together as a team and this is one of the greatest strengths of The March CE Primary School. It is difficult to identify the highlights because there are genuinely so many. Personally, I have thoroughly enjoyed all of the fabulous achievements this year of individual pupils, with a special mention going out to our year 6 leavers, who are leaving us this term, we are extremely proud of you all!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff for their hard work, commitment and time given to all aspects of the job and beyond. this year. It has been a year of changes and they have embraced this with goodwill and continued to provide the best education for the children at all times.

I would like to say a special well done to all of the children in Year R who have now completed their first year of formal education and have been a real credit to the school and their parents. They have settled in brilliantly and are following the routines of the school really well with a positive attitude and positive behaviour.

I would also like to thank all parents and carers for their support this year. A great deal of what we do in school cannot be achieved without you and your co-operation and backing. As the Year 6 children parents and move on to their next adventure we would like to say a big thank you to all of them for their never ending support over the years. Many of them have been on the PTA, helped with sports events, baked numerous cakes and run the Pimms tent. Thank you for making such a huge difference to the school

Finally, I would like to wish all children who are leaving us at the end of this academic year all the very best on their journey. I know that they have all had a great start here at The March and that they will go on to achieve great things in the future.

Have a wonderful summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you all again on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September!**

Mrs Metcalfe  
Head Teacher



## Summer Fayre 2019

The sun was shining for our summer Fayre this year! A fantastic time was had by all with the old favourites teddy tombola, jolly jars and bottle tombola. It was exciting to see some new stalls: the bouncy castles were great addition to the Fayre; the all new food stall offered pitta pizzas, fruit kebabs and popcorn; a special thanks to Amanda YR for her fantastic pick and pull stall and the new ice-cream stall was a big hit! The tunes blasting out from KT-Roo boots added to the event as children bounced around on their blade boots! A big thank you to Chunky Chairs for the amazing flamingo giant deck-chair! A huge thanks goes out to those individuals who gave up so much time and effort to organise and run stalls. We couldn't have had such a successful event without you!

**We are really pleased to have raised £2230!!!**

### Hoodwinked Performance Year 5 and Year 6

Year 5 and 6 have been busy rehearsing for their production Hoodwinked, which they are performing this week. They have all enjoyed the build-up adding extra lines and jokes as well as learning all of the songs to really enhance the show. Year 6 have worked hard on their costumes and props and have the main acting parts, Year 5 will be supporting as the choir.



The performances this week were superb, the comedy made our faces ache from laughing and smiling so much. We were entertained with beautiful singing, dancing monks, friars and villagers, supported by year 5 as the chorus. A huge well done to Year 6 you are amazing and a delight to see on the stage.

### **Rolls Royce/Greenpower collaboration 2019**

We are lucky enough to work with Rolls Royce again this year for our Greenpower entry for not one, but two cars.

They have kindly funded a brand new car so that we are able to enter two teams at the event this coming Sunday at Goodwood Motor Circuit.

Children from both Year 5 and 6 will compete in a series of driving challenges, culminating in the Lap of Champions where they are timed for a full 2 mile lap of the track against the 80 other schools. Apprentices from Rolls Royce have worked with the children to turn their

amalgamated designs into reality. One being an underwater themed design and the other a very sleek, airbrushed shark.

Children attended the visitors room at Rolls Royce for the grand reveal for both cars this week and enjoyed a presentation from Helen Cordell who has been co-coordinating the project.

Good luck to all drivers on Sunday- let's hope we win something this year! We look forward to seeing the pictures in the first newsletter back for the Autumn term 2019!!



Thank you to everyone who came to support the children in sports day. As always, it was a boiling day but the children still managed to do an amazing job. It was so lovely to see our Year 5 and 6 children taking such great care of the younger children in their house team. We were all very proud of the way the children competed and what great sportsmanship they showed. Well done to Red House on their win!





**Year 1 and 2 took part in an inter house athletics** event on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June. They got to take part in running, jumping and throwing activities. All their points were totalled to give overall scores for each house team.

The team totals were:

1<sup>st</sup> place 446 points Yellow House

2<sup>nd</sup> place 437 points Red House

3<sup>rd</sup> place 421 Green House

4<sup>th</sup> place 408 Blue House





As the Summer term is drawing to the end, I find it hard to believe my wonderful Reception class will soon be leaving me to enter Year1.



They have grown so much in confidence, particularly at Forest School during team building activities when they had to build a bridge so they could get across the 'river' without being eaten by the Troll!



This terms Topic 'Why is Water Wet?' has inspired many activities, which the children took into the forest- some of the children wanted to build a lighthouse and some of them wanted to create a 'mermaid of the forest' and of course we had to have a boat big enough to get everyone in. We also have our own class mermaid 'Rosie on the Rocks' which the children helped create.



Their confidence and maturity shows they are developing into interesting characters and they are always eager to try out new things. We have had so much fun this term and I am

delighted with the fantastic year we have had together. Well done Class R and good luck in Year 1.

**On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June Year 2** went to Chichester Cathedral. They learnt about St Richard and took part in a drama workshop about his life. They got to look at the stained glass windows in the Cathedral and then design and made their own.



As it was a beautiful day, they ate lunch in Bishop Palace Gardens. In the afternoon they had a tour of the Cathedral and took part in a picture trail to identify different parts of the Cathedral and the artifacts. They behaved so well and were an absolute credit to the school.

### **March Mile**

On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June years 2-6 took part in a cross country using the March Mile track. The children competed as House Teams and every lap completed was worth 1 point. All the children did an amazing job it was fantastic to see how their stamina has increased over the year.



**A total of 1,170 laps were run which totalled 130 miles.**

	2	3	4	5	6	House Total
Red	44	69	70	62	77	322
Blue	49	57	76	62	43	284
Yellow	48	55	43	54	65	265
Green	67	46	66	57	60	303
Class Total	208	227	255	235	245	

The winning house was red house with a total of 322 miles run. The trophy was collected by house captains Lilie and Noah.



## Year 3

What wonderful story tellers Year 3 are! Last Friday we all shared in a fun filled afternoon creating and making boxes to go with a myth the children had written based on the story of Pandora's Box.

It was wonderful to see their creative ideas come to life as they worked with their friends and family on their boxes. The variety and standard of design was really high, but the real treat was hearing and reading their stories. There was everything from magic houses, whose doors open to fill the world with hope to evil creatures that spread dark grey dust everywhere and make everyone ill.

The Fantastic Finish was the culmination of hard work learning about Greek Myths/ Gods/ Temples and History. A wonderful topic and much enjoyed by everyone.

## KS1 Summer Sports Festival

A huge congratulation to all children who took part in the KS1 Summer Sports Festival. The children had an opportunity to experience golf, cricket, football, hockey, fencing, dodgeball and boccia to name a few. The children represented the school beautifully and displayed great enthusiasm and team spirit throughout. Well done to: Lily, Dakota, Niamh, Emily, Maci, Molly, George, Eli, Riley, Edward, Willow, Levi, Isabel, Isabelle and Joshua



## Year 6 Residential Fairthorne

What an amazing time we all had at Fairthorne Manor this year!

Although it was not very sunny during the week – we were! Adventurous and active, we showed our team skills by collaborating and throwing ourselves into activities: canoeing down the River Hamble; kayaking and raft building on the lake; abseiling, zip wiring, low ropes and many other activities. We camped, ate, cleaned, sang and had great fun together learning vital new skills and being independent. We met all the other school children and sang around a campfire with them and the instructors. It was a superb week – one to always remember!







### **Bikeability**

The following week when we got back to school, we started learning how to ride our bikes safely on the roads through West Sussex Bikeability. It was about gaining practical cycle skills, understanding how to cycle on roads and giving us the skills and confidence for all kinds of cycling. We had two very good instructors who took us around the area of Staine Street and Claypit Road in three small groups each day over the week teaching us about turning at junctions, overtaking stationary cars and being aware of all types of traffic. It built up our confidence. We learned a lot, not just safety and practical skills, but about our wellbeing and having a healthy lifestyle. It was yet another interesting week learning new skills!

### **Class 4**

Yeeha everyone! We've been on one amazing road trip across the USA this half term including visitors from Boston, Massachusetts and Forth Worth, Texas. We also had a brilliant American themed bake sale. Thank you everyone for your support. During the half term we have learned about the American flag, the fifty states and the geographical features of the USA. We have also completed work on iconic Americans and about Native American tribes. We have all had the best time learning about the US. As part of Art Week we created design and decorated houses in the style of Matisse. We used the 'cut outs' as our inspiration. We are really looking forward to seeing all the year groups houses together to make our March Street.

### **Sanctuary in Chichester Visit**

As part of our RE learning and National Refugee Week, Class 4 hosted three visitors from Sanctuary in Chichester. Sanctuary in Chichester is a registered charity that has a network of around 150 people in West Sussex. The charity is committed to making our area a welcoming place for refugees and asylum seekers. The visitors joined Class 4 to share their stories - why they left their homes, their journey to England and their new lives here in West Sussex. Miss Coyne has had the opportunity to complete some volunteer work with Sanctuary and has met the organisers as well as some of the refugees. Many of the families have children who attend local schools here in Chichester. During the session the children learned about what it means to be a refugee and how we can welcome new members to our Chichester community.



### Year 1

This half term Year One's topic has been 'Memory Box'. We were very excited as we got to go on our first proper trip, to visit the Brighton Toy Museum. Not only was it exciting going on a coach but we also went through a tunnel!

At the museum we learnt all about old toys – what they were made from, how they worked and who would have played with them. We got to play with some of these toys, and were introduced to the oldest toy in the museum, a doll called Alice. We loved the trains, teddy bears and puppets but some of the dolls scared us! One of our favourite activities was a hunt to find specific toys around the museum.

When we got back, we decided to make our own non-fiction book on old toys. We worked in pairs, each producing a page for the book. We have also been busy making our own puppets, which we designed ourselves and are now sewing together.

It's been a fantastic year but we are now very excited about moving up to Year Two.



Finally, if you would like to talk to me about anything, please do stop and chat or make an appointment if you would like more privacy or a longer length of time. I am here to help and support you all.

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

**I look forward to seeing you all after the summer holidays,  
taller, relaxed and ready for an adventure next year!**

**Mrs Nicky Metcalfe  
Head Teacher**

**INSET DAYS**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

# National Day for Play 2019

come and join in - FREE activities

activities include: Willow Weaving, Crafts from Weald & Downland, Circus Skills, Seed Planting, Everyone Active Balance Bikes, a book corner, pre school age activities with Chichester Family Centre - bring a picnic..

**Florence Park, Chichester**

**Wednesday 7th August**

Organised by:  
**FLORENCE PARK  
COMMUNITY GROUP**

With support from  
**CLARION  
FUTURES**

1-4pm

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This summer, discover  
what you can do

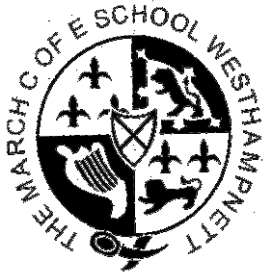


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House  
Gallery

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Choose from printmaking, painting,  
sculpture, digital drawing and  
architecture in our creative workshops



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## Holiday Workshops



(6+ yrs)

### Digital Drawing

Wed 24 July, 10.30am – 3.30pm, €35

Using iPads and your fingertips, experiment with colour, texture and collage to create your own Hitchens-inspired digital landscapes.

### Painting

Wed 7 August, 10.30am – 3.30pm, €35

Start your own sketchbook and play with ink, collage and paint to fill it with landscape-inspired creations.

### Sculpture

Wed 14 August, 10.30am – 3.30pm, €35

Ever tried plaster casting? Mould and cast your own plaster relief tile before decorating it in your own style.

### Printmaking

Wed 21 August, 10.30am – 3.30pm, €35

Have a go at screenprinting and transform an old T-shirt with a bold new design.

### Architecture

Wed 28 August, 10.30am – 3.30pm, €35

Rip, cut and stack, experimenting with pop-up techniques to construct your own architectural sculpture.

### Free Range Saturdays

27 July and 10 August 10am – 1pm Free

Our Free Range Saturdays are a chance to let your children take the lead and explore the Gallery their own way – slowly or quickly, quietly or loudly.

There will be a warm welcome and plenty of art and nature activities to get stuck into, all inspired by our Ivon Hitchens exhibition.

