



WEEKLY FOCUS

Friday 21st May 2021



Dear Parents:

'When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent rushing wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them.' Acts 2:1-4

Pentecost is an important time in the Christian calendar and is particularly important for the Guildford Diocese, as the Cathedral is the only English Cathedral dedicated to the Holy Spirit. Emblems of doves and flames are visible throughout the cathedral and the Dove is our school emblem, so it has particular significance for our school community. The children will be reflecting on the meaning of Pentecost in our Collective Worship on Monday. This will be posted on our website, so please do take a look.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday morning.

Best wishes,
Mrs Wand



Year 4—Tudor Events

Monday 24th May: Tudor Portraits

Please send your children with any old materials suitable for making a collage. Examples of resources children might like to bring in are: Newspapers, off cuts of material, glitter, string/wool, ribbon, foil, kitchen roll tubes, cotton wool, beads or buttons.

Friday 28th May: Tudor Day

We are inviting year 4 children to come to school in Tudor Style dress, if they do not wish to do this they can wear their uniform as normal.

On this day we would appreciate it if each child could bring in the following to help them complete the tasks:

- 1x orange (preferably large size)
- Painting shirt/ apron to protect their outfits

Congratulations

Year 6 Girls Cricket Team!

On Wednesday 19th May a team of Year 6 girls took part in our first competitive sporting event since the UK first went into lockdown over a year ago.

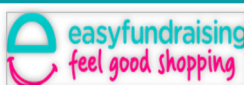


The team won all four of their games on Wednesday afternoon to secure a place at the county finals next month.

It was great to be back playing competitions again!



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Composer of the Month:
Benjamin Britten (November 1913—December 1976)

Benjamin Britten was an expert in three different musical fields - conducting, composing and playing the piano. Britten was born in Lowestoft, a town on the English seacoast. (His birthday, November 22nd, happens to be the saint day of the patron saint of music, St. Cecilia.) Benjamin's father was a dentist; his mother loved to sing, and regularly held concerts in their home.

From the moment he started playing the piano, Britten knew he wanted to earn his living as a composer. His first paying job was writing music for films.

Britten was a pacifist - he didn't believe in fighting wars. So when it became obvious that England would go to war with Germany in 1939, Britten left for America. But it was impossible to take the "Brit" out of Britten. In the middle of World War II, he sailed back to his native country.

When the war was over, the biggest opera company in England held a gala reopening, and commissioned Britten to write a new opera for the occasion. Britten was also asked to compose an opera when Elizabeth II was crowned Queen of England.

You can listen to his Simple Symphony, 2 Playful Pizzicato [here](#).

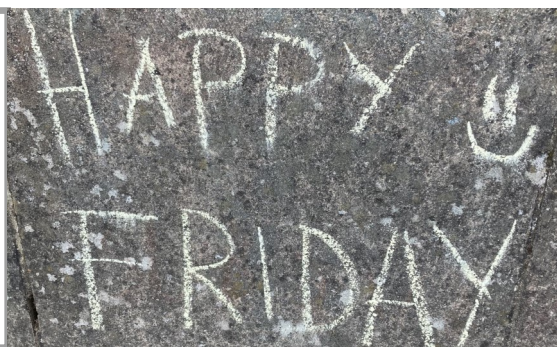
Booster Groups

Many of our children attend booster groups after school on Tuesday evenings. For children attending a booster group, next week is the final week of your group. Boosters resume on 22nd June for four weeks and children will be informed by letter if they have been selected to join a booster group after half term.

Pick up times

We have noticed that several children in Year 5 are being picked up early. Year 5 children should leave school at 3 20pm. Our children have missed a lot of learning and every moment in the classroom is precious! Please remember that, if you have siblings in different year groups, you should pick up at the later time. Please check with your child's class teacher or ask a member of staff on the gate if you are unsure of what to do at the end of the day.

This positive message was found in our playground last week.

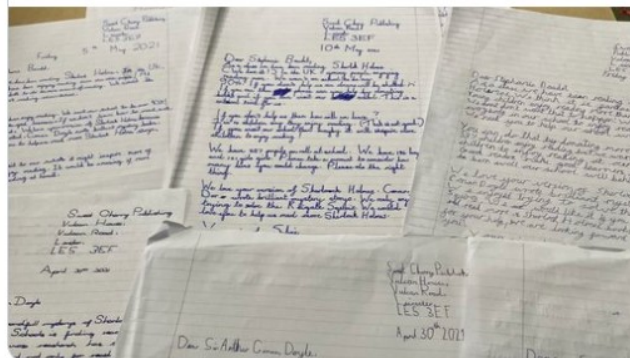


Jane Considine @janeconsidine · 18 May

I need to write a few letters to some companies...can they come round my house and help me out?

Horsell Junior @HorsellJunior · 18 May

@janeconsidine Our Y3's really enjoyed writing persuasive letters to a publishing house. @SweetCherryPub #intheptost



This week, year 3 enjoyed writing persuasive letters to a publishing house. Author and leading English practitioner, Jane Considine, was clearly impressed and commented on our tweet.

Follow @HorsellJunior for more up to date news.

24/7 mental health crisis line for children, young people, and families

A new 24/7 mental health crisis line for children, young people and their families and carers in Surrey has launched.

The freephone number - 0800 9154644 – is available for children and young people up to the age of 18, including those with Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND).

The new crisis line provides emotional wellbeing support, advice, and signposting to a range of community services for children, young people and their families and carers who are in a mental health crisis. The number is available to those who are already receiving mental health services, and also for those who are not. No referral is needed.

The crisis line is staffed by a team of experienced, trained call handlers and mental health nurses. A key aim of the crisis line is to help support young people, carers and families within their own homes and in the community and, whenever possible, help avoid the need for children and young people to go to hospital in a crisis.

For more information, please visit <https://www.sabp.nhs.uk/our-services/advice-guidance/getting-help-crisis>



Horsell Lodge Care Home: Summer Sun Competition

Horsell Lodge Care Home is delighted to be running its Summer Sun competition for children in the local community.

Everyone in the home has been looking forward to the summer: to sunshine; to seeing flowers in bloom; to long days and bright, warm evenings; and to being able to sit out in the tranquil garden, chatting and listening only to the sweet sounds of nature. With this in mind, we'd love for children to get creative to help us attract more wildlife as well as bring some colour, fun and new talking points and areas of interest for the residents.

This competition will therefore invite the following painted and/or decorated entries:

- Bird feeders
- Pinwheels
- Ceramic flower pots (with or without seeds/flowers)
- Painted rocks
- Garden dragonflies
- Ladybird/insect hotels
- Handmade bunting
- Handmade bottle lights or string lights
- Any other ideas that you think will make our residents smile

Closing date for entries: Monday 14th June at 17.00

Prize: One hamper for the winner of each of the 6 and under and 7 and over categories

For Competition Terms & Conditions, please visit [Horsell Lodge Summer Competition | Caring Homes](#) .