



NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 5 2019

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As part of 'World Space Week', all classes had special science lessons around this topic and shared what they had done and learnt in assembly on Monday.

We are very grateful to Eastbourne First Responders who visited school on Wednesday and gave valuable first response CPR training to our Year 6 children.



This week, we have been developing the skill of 'collaboration', hence the Rainbow Awards being given to more than one child. Oscar (Y6)

shared his recent experience of meeting Olympic Sailor Nikki Boniface (who used to attend his club) and described some of the collaborative skills needed for sailing.



Learner Skills and Behaviours



In assembly we shared in the achievements of Leah and William Shepherd who participated in an 'Arts Award', as well as both earning a lifeguarding certificate over the summer. Leah will also be performing in a ballet – 'The Nutcracker', so we look forward to hearing more about that. Michaela was awarded the 'Player of the week' trophy from her football club for football skills and helping other children. Sophia in Year 2 completed the Summer Reading Challenge and showed her medal. We have now received a number of certificates from the library and aim to present those next time. Nia May's name was chosen from the Regular Reader Raffle and received the £10 book token.

Our Peer Mediators from Year 5 are now fully trained and explained in assembly what their role in the playground will be in helping other children to resolve conflict (see slides).

What a busy week – enjoy the photos!

Katherin Weeks

Rainbow Awards:

- Reception: Rupert Robinson & Zerting Wang
- Year 1: George Martin-Espin & Tabitha Cornwall
- Year 2: Elise Vine & Olivia Wright
- Year 3: Hollie Pope & Esme Bowler
- Year 4: Lynne Naito & Chyna Wai
- Year 5: Sophia Loncarevic & Alexa Stanger
- Year 6: Rosie Perry & Athena Chadwick

World Space Week



Reception class read the book 'Whatever Next', made rockets and practised writing their names.

Children in Year 1 drew pictures of what Earth looks like from the Spacestation.



Year 2 investigated the size of 'craters' made by dropping different sized objects.



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Year 3 researched the solar system and made planets from papier mache.



In Year 4, they designed their own pods for living on the moon.

Children in Year 5 learnt about the cycles of the moon and made mini booklets.



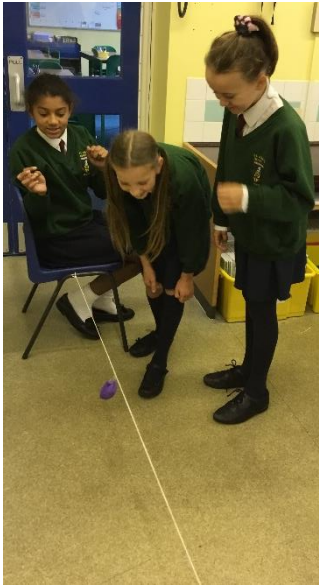


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Year 6 investigated the forces and conditions for making a balloon rocket travel.



First Aid Training – Y6

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WHO ARE OUR PEER MEDIATORS?

- People the same age as you who listen and help you to come up with a solution to your conflict



Jasmine
Blake
Lexie
Louisa
Daisy
Connie



Elwyn
Austin
Bethany
Flora
Belle
Tegan

WHEN PEER MEDIATORS CAN HELP

- You have had a disagreement about what to play
- You have fallen out about who to play with
- You have fallen out about playground equipment
- You've said or done something a bit silly or unkind

WHEN PEER MEDIATORS CAN'T HELP

- Something has been said about a person's size, looks, religion, race
- Bullying has/is taking place
- Physical aggression, including play fighting and rough play
- In these cases, you need to ask an adult for help



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Notices:

Cancelled Clubs:

Wednesday 16th October:

Choir and Y5/6 Football have been cancelled due to Parent Consultation Evenings

Please do not allow your children to play on the playground equipment before or after school. This is an East Sussex schools policy.

Thank you for your co-operation



Term Dates and Coming Events

<https://www.meads.e-sussex.sch.uk/coming-events/>

Wednesday 16th October

3.40pm to 6.30pm Parents Consultation Evening (school hall)
book online via <https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk>
Mrs Weeks will be available for parent consultations from 3.40pm to 6.00pm – please call the school office to book a 10 minute appointment (please note that this also applies to the Monday 21st October Parent Consultations.

Mrs Cork, SENCo will be available from 3.40pm to 6pm to meet any parents and carers who would like to meet for a 10 minute appointment. Mrs Cork will not be available at the Monday Parent Consultation evening.

Friday, 18 October

9:00am-9.30am Drop in Coffee Morning - Stacey Newell, Pupil Support Worker (in the Rainbow Room)

Monday 21st October

3.40 to 6.30pm Parents Consultation Evening (school hall)
book online via <https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk>

Tuesday, 22 October

8:30am Macmillan Coffee Morning - school hall
Please donate cakes/biscuits and come and join us.

Friday, 25 October

Y6 trip to Seven Sisters Country Park
Last day of Term 1

Monday 4th November

School Open – Term 2

Monday 11th November

2pm Prospective Parents - Admissions Open Afternoon
Monday 18th November
2pm & 6pm Prospective Parents – Admissions Open Afternoon/Evening

FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER

9am-10am in the
Rainbow Room

Family Support Service



The family support service is tailored service to fit each families wishes and needs.

Examples of support are:

- support for parents with strategies to manage behaviour, and other issues affecting home life
- signposting to other agencies, groups and courses
- one to one sessions with your child in school— supporting good mental health, identifying their own strategies in managing their emotions, helping to improve self-esteem, social skills and behaviour
- support with transition to secondary school.
- Bereavement





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Quiz and Curry Night The Ship Thursday 14th November from 6.45pm

The Ship, Meads Street and The Friends will be hosting an adult only Curry and Quiz night. This will take place at The Ship on Thursday 14th November 2019. Please arrive at 6.45pm to commence at 7pm.

A choice of curry will be offered including a vegetarian option, this will be followed by a fun quiz.

We would kindly ask that you reserve your place by booking in teams of 6-8 people. £10 per person payment can be made through <https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk> but once again please book and pay online as a team.

Last year was a lovely event and funds were raised for our school. We very much thank The Ship for hosting again. Please invite your friends and family along. The more the merrier! We very much look forward to a lovely evening. Thank you for your support.

The Friends ☺



Friday 8th November 5.45-7.30 St Andrews Fireworks Display -
ADVANCE TICKETS £5.50 (on the door £7.50) to include burger/hot dog or vegetarian option PLUS £2 from each ticket goes straight to St John's Meads **if bought through us**. Please do buy tickets, this is always a great family event with lots of fun and an incredible firework display. Tickets can be purchased in the playground via The Friends or through your Class Rep. We are in the playground most afternoons by the shelter, please do come and chat! Open to all so please do spread the word for this great event. Tickets must be purchased by 1st November to allow St Andrews time to cater.

The Friends of St John's Meads Primary
School Association

AGM

Annual General Meeting

Everyone is welcome.
Stay informed and get involved.

Come and join us for tea, coffee and cake

The School Hall
Thursday 14th of November, 8.50am



Parentkind
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Friends News Update:

Firstly, thank you to those of you who were able to join us on what feels like the last time the sun shone, at our fabulous Afternoon Tea on 20th September. It was such a lovely afternoon and over £400 was raised for our school!

We have some incredible events coming up in the next couple of months so please find below the list and how you can get tickets or be involved. A huge thanks to those who have already offered to volunteer time to help put these events together, we always need as much help as you can give, whether its baking a cake or running a stall for an hour please do support us in bringing these fun events to the school community while raising much needed funds for our amazing school! The children are using the computers we contributed to last year every day and feeling the benefit, let's keep that drive going! This year we are starting off by raising money for a bike rack and a lovely sheltered outside quiet/reading area amongst other things.

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Thursday 14th November – 08.50 - Less exciting but very important - The Friends of St Johns Meads AGM - please do come, have coffee, talk to us, bring ideas and suggestions always welcomed! The AGM Letter and voting slip have come to you via <https://pmx.parentmail> email last week so don't forget to get the slips in!

Thursday 14th November - 7.00pm - same day but FAR FAR more fun, the famous **Curry and Quiz night at The Ship** - tickets are £10 each to include your food (please advise us of you are vegetarian/vegan or have other dietary requirements in advance). Tickets can be bought online via <https://pmx.parentmail> or to the Friends/Class Reps in Cash/card payment - we have a card machine please let us know if you need to use it. Please try to pay for a complete team, tables are in 6-8 and it's helpful if you can pay for a full team. If you would like to go but don't have a team, please speak to us and we can allocate you a lovely table. This is always a fabulous evening, huge thanks to Faye at The Ship for continuing to support these events for us. Open to all so why not get a family table or group of friends together?

Frozen 2 - 23rd November - Sadly this event can no longer take place due to the Venue not being able to show the film. We are so sorry for any disappointment, any tickets already purchased will be refunded.



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Saturday 29th November -12noon-2.30pm St Johns Christmas Fayre - The highlight of the Winter calendar, our fabulous Christmas Fayre, with the famed grotto and Mr and Mrs Claus, Hot Food, Coffee and Cake, Fabulous games, crafts, The best Raffle in town and amazing entertainment! What better way to spend a Saturday?! See you there!! Open to all so please invite friends and family.

Thursday 5th December - Wreath Making at the Ship - A lovely evening for the grown ups at The Ship, join our resident florist Sarah and enjoy a wonderful evening making a stunning Wreath to adorn your front door! This will be a very popular evening, please get tickets through The Friends team or buy on <https://pms.parentmail.co.uk> Tickets are £35 with a lovely portion going directly to the school. Open to all so please invite friends and family.

Friday 6th December - Secret Santa wrapping event - In school time - This is one for the kids so no peeking grown-ups! Here is a chance for the kids to choose a lovely gift for Mum, Dad, sisters, brothers or any one they choose really! We'll help them wrap taking the effort from you! £1 per gift. Booking Forms will be sent home soon.

Friday 13th December - Whole school visit to The Pantomime at The Devonshire Park Theatre - Jack and The Beanstalk. 2pm - This whole school event is being heavily subsidised by The Friends as we feel it is such a lovely thing for the children to do with their friends and a fabulous reward for all their hard work during the first term. We are asking for a contribution of £5 per child. Letters to follow very soon. Tickets will be available to buy on <https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk>

As you can see it's a fabulous social line up for all the family and we hope you enjoy these fabulous events with us. There are more in the pipeline for the New Year too so watch this space!

Best Wishes
The Friends