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Newsletter No. 12

St Dunstan's, Cheam, C of E Primary School

'Guided by God to love, trust, hope, serve and inspire the best in everyone.'

Message from Mrs Porter

Welcome to the first Newsletter of the Summer Term! I hope that you all enjoyed a peaceful and Happy Easter. We welcomed Ms Clark to our teaching team last week as Delphinus Class teacher— we hope she will be very happy with us.

As part of our ongoing self-evaluation, we have, over the last year, been revisiting our vision statement and values. In September we launched our four Christian values; Love, Trust, Hope and Serve and have explored each of these in Collective Worship. These permeate the life of the school and throughout the day the children and adults aim to live out these values, deepening their meaning and showing them in many practical ways.

At the start of this term, we shared our revised vision with the children. Thank you to the staff, governors and parents who contributed to this and especially to our children and adult Faith Groups for all their hard work.

Our vision remains rooted in the meanings we can derive from the Parable of the Lost Sheep, the Good Shepherd and Psalm 23 and is:

'Guided by God to love, trust, hope, serve and inspire the best in everyone.'

I look forward to sharing more of our vision throughout this term as we explore it in school.

Congratulations to the new House Captains who were announced in Worship yesterday and a huge thank you to the team who effectively carried the baton last term. Enjoy reading the newsletter.

Mrs L Porter



EASTER 2024

At the end of the Spring Term, EYFS, KS1 and KS2 children went to St Dunstan's church for a wonderful Easter service. We welcomed family and friends to listen to the story of Easter.



Many thanks to all those who attended or helped out with the book fair we held at the end of last term. It was great to see so many children eagerly choosing new books to read, and as a result we have earned an amazing £550 worth of books for the school.

We are pleased to announce the Year 6 House Captains for the **Summer Term**.

St Andrew's: Annie & Lucia
St David's: Rachel & Eva
St George's: Ena & Oscar
St Patrick's: Mythili & Sebastian



Congratulations to you all!

Congratulations!

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE
WHO ATTENDED OUR
TRAVELLING BOOK FAIR.**

Together we have raised...£550...
for our school to spend on **FREE BOOKS**

 TRAVELLING BOOKS



£20.24 Easter Holiday Challenge: We've seen some fantastic entries for sponsorship over the holidays. Many chores were completed including road tidy's and drive way clearances. Cake sales took place. We saw children learning to tie shoe laces and even learning to ski. The gofundme donations page closes soon so any last minute entries are most welcome. We look forward to sharing our total amount soon.

<https://gofund.me/3bc896ef>

Quiz Night: Thursday May 10th is the return of the St Dunstan's Quiz night - with questions spanning all genres and subjects, there will be something for everyone. Tickets will go on sale this week so look out for information on how to book.

Easyfundraising: We raise donations from your purchases made through Easyfundraising. It's so simple to set up on your mobile phone and doesn't cost a penny. You can shop online for thousands of known brands including grocery providers. Check out the link to sign up, it takes just two minutes. <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/panel/>

PTFA

Attendance Awards

As you are aware, each week we issue certificates to the classes that have the highest attendance for KS1 & KS2. We are delighted to share the highest attenders of the last week with you:

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Venus & Unicorn



We are preparing up for our very own Science Week from the 17th to the 21st June 2024! If you could volunteer during that

week, by running a short workshop or coming in to talk to the children about how science is used in your life, please let us know. We have previously had, hairstylists explaining how they colour hair and what the chemicals do, dentists talking about the instruments they use, talks on the International Space Station and even experiments on strawberries to extract DNA! If this is you please contact us on: scienceprojects@stdunstanscheam.co.uk

ATTENTION

PARENTS

When making a regular check up for a doctor's or dental appointment, wherever possible, please make these appointments outside of the school day.

This reduces interruptions to the children's teaching and to school staff. We know that this may be difficult at times, but your co-operation is very much appreciated. Many thanks.

House Points Results Spring Term 2024

All the House Points from the Spring Term were counted and the winning house was

announced in Worship before the Easter holidays.

The children have worked extremely hard this term and we are very proud of them all. The winning house with a total of **2744** points was St George's. *'Congratulations'* to you all.

St Andrew
2591

St George
2744

St David
2731

St Patrick
2634



Miss O'Hanlon, the EYFS Lead at St Dunstan's, would like to thank those of you who completed the survey regarding the project that she is taking part in relating to communication to parents.



spring bank holiday

Monday 6th May 2024

Children do not attend school on this day.

INSET DAY

Friday 28th June 2024

'Stars' of the last two weeks.....

Nursery	Andrea	Edie
Venus	Charlie	Daniel
Pluto	Leona	Luka
Neptune	Christian	Roger
Mercury	Mishri	Oakley
Jupiter	Aiza	Rose
Saturn	Zara	Nawaal
Delphinus	Molly	Lilian
Phoenix	Todor	Jack
Orion	Layla	Ray
Pegasus	Ethan	Lena
Unicorn	Angel	Izzy
Hercules	Tommy	Eugenia
Aquila	Charlotte	Lucas
Cygnus	Henry	Aarav

House Points totals for last week

St Andrew
267

St David
235

St Patrick
237

St George
220



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(Dates may be subject to change)

April

Mon 22nd Clubs start this week
Tues 23rd Class Photographs
Weds 24th Year 3 Swimming Lesson
Tues 30th Year 1 Hearing Tests

May

Weds 1st—Fri 3rd Year 5 Residential trip to Dalesdown
Weds 1st Year 3 Swimming Lesson
Thurs 2nd Prayer Group Meet in Library 8.45am
Mon 6th Bank Holiday—Children do not attend school on this day.

Future Dates

May 20th—24th Year 6 Aquila Residential trip to Maes y Lade
May 27th—31st Half Term
June 3rd—7th Year 6 Cygnus Residential trip to Maes y Lade



Please see the school's website for a full list of dates.

The photographer was in school today take class photos.

The photographer was extremely pleased with the conduct of the children and in how well presented they all looked.

The proofs will be sent to you shortly.

Many thanks.



‘Congratulations’ to Ms Fraser and the catering team who achieved an excellent result in a recent meals audit. Well done to you all and thank you for all your hard work and continuous support you give to the children and staff at St Dunstan’s.



We are fortunate at St Dunstan’s to benefit from a purpose-built school library brimming with books, and we would like to welcome new volunteers to our library team.

The library is open Monday – Thursday. Sessions run between 1pm to 3.15pm.

We require volunteers to be:

- DBS checked
- assist on a fortnightly basis

Full training and support will be provided by our friendly library team, and new volunteers will be paired with an experienced librarian.

To find out more information please contact the school office.



LONDON BOROUGH OF SUTTON SCHOOL MEALS AUDIT

**CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE
FOR SCORE OF 95% OR OVER**

This is to certify that the Caterlink Catering Service at St Dunstan’s C of E Primary School was audited on 22nd March 2024 and achieved an excellent score of 99%

Congratulations and well done to the Catering team.

Signed Kathy Crosthwaite
Client Catering Officer

Active April 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Commit to being more active this month, starting today	2 Spend as much time as possible outdoors today	3 Listen to your body and be grateful for what it can do	4 Eat healthy and natural food today and drink lots of water	5 Turn a regular activity into a playful game today	6 Do a body-scan meditation and really notice how your body feels	7 Get natural light early in the day. Dim the lights in the evening
8 Give your body a boost by laughing or making someone laugh	9 Turn your housework or chores into a fun form of exercise	10 Have a day with less screen time and more movement	11 Set yourself an exercise goal or sign up to an activity challenge	12 Move as much as possible, even if you're stuck inside	13 Make sleep a priority and go to bed in good time	14 Relax your body & mind with yoga, tai chi or meditation
15 Get active by singing today (even if you think you can't sing!)	16 Go exploring around your local area and notice new things	17 Be active outside. Plant some seeds and encourage growth	18 Try out a new exercise, activity or dance class	19 Spend less time sitting today. Get up and move more often	20 Focus on 'eating a rainbow' of multi-coloured vegetables today	21 Regularly pause to stretch and breathe during the day
22 Enjoy moving to your favourite music. Really go for it	23 Go out and do an errand for a loved one or neighbour	24 Get active in nature. Feed the birds or go wildlife-spotting	25 Have a 'no screens' night and take time to recharge yourself	26 Take an extra break in your day and walk outside for 15 minutes	27 Find a fun exercise to do while waiting for the kettle to boil	28 Meet a friend outside for a walk and a chat
29 Become an activist for a cause you really believe in	30 Make time to run, swim, dance, cycle or stretch today					

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS **Happier · Kinder · Together**

The Nonsuch Town & Country Show

The show with something for everybody

www.nonsuchcountryshow.co.uk

DISCOUNTED TICKETS ONLINE

5TH AND 6TH OF MAY
Nonsuch Park
London Road,
Epsom, Surrey, KT17 2DL

Adults £12.50
 Children 6.50
 Under 5's FREE

FREE PARKING,
 DOGS WELCOME, 10.30 - 5.30

INCLUDING:
 JONATHAN MARSHALL
 FALCONRY/DOG & DUCK
 WRESTLING/CHAINSAW COMP
 RURAL CRAFTS/MAGIC SHOWS
 BARREL RACING/LIVING HISTORY

INCLUDING
 WE LOVE DOGS

Calling all adventure enthusiasts and community champions in Cheam!

8th Cheam Scout Group are looking for passionate volunteers to inspire and guide our young people...

✓ Full training provided
 ✓ DBS checks
 ✓ First Aid certification
 ✓ Free leaders shirt
 ✓ Boost your CV
 ✓ Make a Difference

Ready to embark on this exciting journey?
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Scouts 8th Cheam

SPRING FAIR

***Buy**
***Play**
***Eat**

£1 entry

Saturday 4th May 2024
10:30am till 2pm

St Alban's Church
Gander Green Lane

A family day filled with lots of stalls with food & drink, games & more

Messy GOES WILD

St Dunstan's Church, Cheam Village
 Saturday, 27th April 2024
 Starting at 2.00pm

We hope you will love the natural world experience, a sense of awe and wonder and be more eco-aware in all we do. Tickets are free and spaces are limited so booking is advised. Book online:
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/cheam/st-dunstans-churchyard>

Stories Crafts Messy Fun Games

St Oswald's Church, Brocks Drive
 Saturday, 18th May 2024
 2.00pm – 4.00pm

An hour of crafts and activities followed by stories, songs, prayers and food. Fun for all the family. Tickets are free and spaces are limited so booking is advised. Book online:
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/north-cheam/st-oswalds-church>