



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

## Message from the Headteacher

Welcome back to the Summer Term! It has been lovely to have some sunshine to welcome us over the past 2 weeks—just a shame about

the very chilly outside temperatures!

Some very exciting news to share with you all today, thanks to the amazing fundraising of the PTFA, along with donations over the years, we are now in the very fortunate position of being able to replace ALL of the interactive whiteboards in the classrooms. The works will be carried out over the May half term holiday and we are all very excited about the enhancements to the children's learning. A huge THANK YOU with full appreciation for all the monies raised over many years which is enabling this long-awaited work to take place.

It is with great sadness that I share the news that Brian Stevens passed away last Saturday. Brian was a governor, including Chair, for many, many years, and he was a huge part of both St Dunstan's School and Church communities, indeed an integral part of the building of our school as it is today. He will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing and working alongside him. His knowledge of our school was second to none and he was a huge part of our family. Please join us in holding his family in your prayers.

Finally, a reminder to all adults and children of secondary school age (who are not exempt) to please continue to wear your face coverings at all times that you are on school premises in order to keep our community as safe as possible—thank you!

I would like to wish you all an enjoyable long weekend—we are closed for Bank Holiday Monday. Please note we are NOT being used as a polling station this year and are, therefore, OPEN on 6th May! Thank you. Ms J Corby

## Year 6 Explore Gallery Rebels

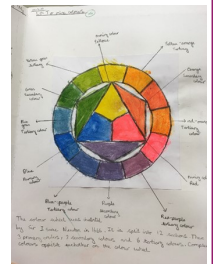
Year 6 spent a lesson combining art and science. We looked at Chromatography which is a way of separating the colours used in pens. A



chromatogram is the pattern left by the colours in the ink.

Manufacturers make it look like pens are made up of one single colour but in fact they are made up of a variety of pigments. Primary and secondary colour pigments are added to create the final pen colour.

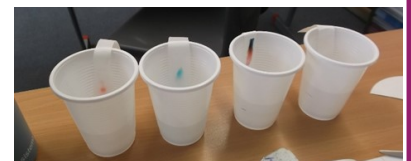
'In the first two weeks of our new topic 'Gallery Rebels', we have been very busy: writing balanced arguments about graffiti; exploring the science behind chromatography; mixing colours; investigating different art styles and movements of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries and creating our own music using Google Chrome Music Lab software. We have also been developing our understanding of the coding behind simple computer games and creating and interpreting pie charts in maths.'



by Izzy N and Jess K, Aquila



'In our experiment, each group picked 4 different colours. We then drew a dot on the filter paper and we predicted what pigments were used to form the final pen colour. We would find out once we added water. Our results showed a mixture of primary and secondary colours combined together to create the final product. It was surprising how several people had used the same colour but the chromatograms showed different pigments had been used!'



by Tilly L and Harry S, Cygnus



### Easter Egg Decorating Competition:

Thank you to all of you who entered our Easter

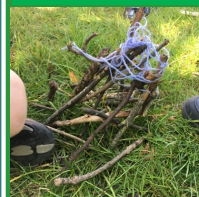
Egg decorating competition. We had some lovely entries and the winners will be announced at school next week.

**Mufti Day Fundraiser:** As you are aware we raised an amazing £788 thanks to your generosity. This money is being divided equally amongst all classes and year groups, so that the teachers can use it to purchase exciting classroom resources for their classes and to support the work your children are undertaking. Thank you again for your support.

**Donation of Good as New Uniform:** We are pleased to report that the new shed has now been delivered and we hope it will be set up by next week. We are just finalising details with the school regarding parents donating pre loved uniform and we will then provide you with more information.

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## Year 1 Woodland Walk



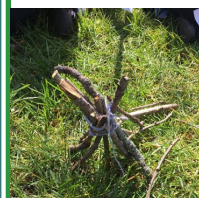
As part of their new topic 'The Enchanted Woodland', Year 1 went on an exciting woodland walk around the school.

The children completed a range of activities including: nature scavenger



hunt, mini-beast hunt and colour hunt. Everyone worked in small groups to make miniature animal dens using twigs and sticks. This was hard work but we persevered!

We had lots of fun!



## A taste of Italy...



The week, Year 4 were lucky enough to experience 'A taste of Sicily'!

We tried small samples of Italian food such as juicy plump tomatoes,



spongy mozzarella, delicious pizza scattered with mouth-watering Italian cheese and finished off with a tangy lemon sorbet. It was a spectacular Sicilian adventure in our classrooms! *by Tom D & Laragh F*



We were delighted to hold a 'Science Poster Competition' during National Science Week. We received many entries and they were all of an incredibly high standard.

After careful consideration by the School Council, the winners are as follows:

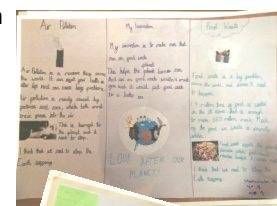
- Nursery/Reception: Daisy P
- Year 1/2 : Lucy S
- Year 3/4: Chloe D
- Year 5/6: Hannah K

Some of these wonderful posters have gone into the next round of the British Science Association's competition and are running against the entries from all over the nation.

'Congratulations' to everyone who took part and especially to our 4 winners who received their voucher/prize during worship today .

*Mrs Jenkins*

## Science Competition



## Attendance

The attendance figure for w/c 19.04.2021 was:

**98%**

Our target is **96.4%**

## House Points

St Andrew  
**558**

St George  
**624**

St David  
**535**

St Patrick  
**648**

## SG Sports Camp



We are pleased to announce that SG Sports are holding a Multi Sports and Dance Camp during May half-term .

For more information, please go to:

<https://sgsport.co.uk/product-category/holiday-camps/>



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

Nursery	Alfie G	Destin
Venus	Theo D	Jesse
Pluto	Sinan	Jack F
Neptune	Florence K	Max D
Mercury	Elizabeth C	Lola
Jupiter	Lucy S	Isabel S
Saturn	Finley W	Parnia
Delphinus	Ethan O	Abi
Phoenix	Alice R	Blake
Orion	Luca D	Sylvie
Pegasus	Bella R	Indie
Unicorn	Max	Clinton
Hercules	Sam	Arth
Aquila	Manahil	Harry R
Cygnus	Tilley	Hasti

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(Dates may be subject to change)

### May

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>  
w/c Mon 17<sup>th</sup>

School Closed—Bank Holiday  
Yr6 Bikeability Training (1)  
Sun Safety Week

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup>

Individual Photographs

Tues 25<sup>th</sup>

Year 1 Hearing Screening

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup>

Break up for half term

Fri 28<sup>th</sup>

**INSET Day**

w/c 31<sup>st</sup> May—4<sup>th</sup> June

**Half Term**

### June

Mon 7<sup>th</sup>

Children return to school

Weds 9<sup>th</sup>

Reception Height & Weight Check

w/c 21<sup>st</sup>

Yr6 Bikeability Training (2)

w/c 28<sup>th</sup>

Yr6 Bikeability Training (3)

### July

w/c 5<sup>th</sup> July

Science Week

Mon 12<sup>th</sup>

Year 5 visit to Whitehall

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup>

Whole School Photograph

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup>

Break Up for Summer 1.30pm