



St. Sampson's Church of England Primary School

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Thank you for all your support during a challenging and snowy end of the week last week. Snow and school closure decisions are one of the most difficult parts of my job but I am very lucky to have such an amazing staff and supportive school community. Some of us had very 'interesting' and long journeys home on Thursday afternoon but we all got back safely in the end. I hope that you were able to enjoy the extra-long weekend, didn't get too cold and enjoyed what must surely have been the last snow of the winter!

Our hall has been transformed in to a Viking settlement today - have a look on twitter / our website to see! Year 5 have enjoyed spending the day using practical and 'real life' artefacts, games and experiences to make their History topic come to life.

We are looking forward to our Community Tea Party tomorrow. Lots of children have worked very hard on their acts and it is always a highlight in the school calendar.

Next week is National Science Week. We will be using our Twitter feed to share pictures of the science that is happening across classes in our school.

Finally, in staffing news, we are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Morrison to our school when she joins the Admin. Team in the Office after Easter.

Jennifer Bayne

Parents' Evening - Tuesday 20th & Thursday 22nd March

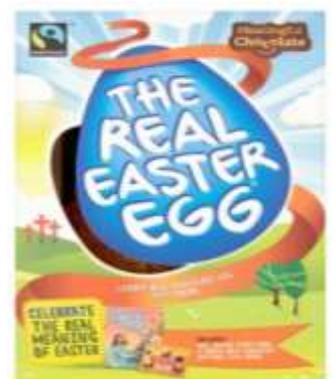
All parents are invited to sign up for a 10 minute appointment with their child's class teacher on these evenings. A selection of your child's work will be out in their classroom for you to look at and the meetings with the teachers will take place in the school halls.

Sign-up sheets will be available in the main entrance from next Monday.

Parents of children in Squirrels class will have the opportunity to meet Miss Smith who will be teaching the class after Easter, alongside Mrs Abu-Ebid.

Fairtrade Fortnight - 26th February to 11th March

Don't forget our annual Fairtrade competition! Children are invited to design a Fairtrade game that can be played by 4 players - they can either make a poster about how the game would work or actually make the game! This year's theme is 'Come On In'. There's a winner and runner-up prize for every year group of lovely chocolate Fairtrade goodies so get designing and drop your designs in the basket at the Fairtrade display in the Upper School or the box in the Lower School by Monday.



Netball Report

On Tuesday, our netball team played Hazelwood. We started really well and dominated the first quarter with a 3-0 lead. Lots of good passes and interceptions meant St Sampson's had the majority of possession. The team also created a large number of chances to shoot and eventually converted 8 goals; 4 from Alex, 2 from Caitlin, 1 from Jasmine and 1 from Katie. Grace and Edward helped with some important turnovers for a convincing victory.

The Year 3/4 netball club watched the first quarter and had their first taste of Hi5 netball at full speed. All were very impressed with the skills their peers showed off!

Well done everyone and thank you to Mrs Young for umpiring.

Mr Smith

Parentmailpmx

It is fantastic that so many parents use parentmail and we are able to communicate with everyone quickly via email and text. This was especially useful last week!

Emails are free for us to send within our contract. However, we pay per text which is why we only use them in certain situations, like the snow closures. We will continue to use text messages when we need to be sure that parents have got a message quickly.

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5R Class Assembly - Friday, 16th March

Parents and carers of children in class 5R are invited to join us for their class assembly on Friday, 16th March at 9:10am in the Main Hall and then afterwards in the classroom for a shared learning experience.

PE Kit and Hair Accessories Reminder

Please remember that PE kits and hair accessories should be school colours only.

- All children need their PE kit in school. This is a plain white T-shirt, plain black or green shorts, and sports socks and trainers / daps. Socks are very important for girls who wear tights to school.
- Tracksuit bottoms are also important when it is cold but these must also be plain and a suitable colour for school. Fashion leggings and bright logoed hoodies are not school uniform.
- It is great that hair is tied up and smart for school. However, please remember that hair accessories should not be too large and should be in line with our uniform guidance.

Thank you for your support with this.

Next week is the last week of after school clubs.