

It is certainly becoming very Autumnal now and Summer seems such a very long time ago. This week, we have had a number of prospective new Reception parents viewing school. All were very complimentary about the children's good behaviour and manners and without exception, every classroom we visited had happy teachers and children, who were working hard.

**Welly Walk** -Thank you to everyone who came along and joined the Welly Walk on Saturday, it was such a gorgeous day and a great way to explore our beautiful surroundings. An even bigger THANK YOU goes to our Grounds superstars and their team of helpers - Nicola, Susie, Sharon, Rob, Rory, Elin and Lindsay - for all their hard work, leading to us raising over £200!

**Matched Funding** - We are hugely grateful to Melanie Tanner for raising a stunning £500 for the school via her company's profit match fundraising initiative - thank you Melanie. Holy Trinity PTA is a registered charity so if your company offers matched funding you may be able to support in this way too!

**Harvest Service** – Our Harvest services are on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October at Holy Trinity Church. Years 3 – 6 Harvest Service is at 9.30am and Years 1 & 2 at 10.30am.** We would be very grateful if parents could kindly donate any tins or packets etc as part of our service, so we can support local families in need. Donations may be brought in to school from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

**Reception Children September 2018** – Please could you alert any friends who you know have children, who will enter school in September 2018, that the online application service opens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

**School Photographs** – Individual school photographs will be taken on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October.** Children may have photos taken with younger siblings from 8.30am, before the start of the school day. Families will need to come into school to wait to have the photo taken.

**Road Safety – We still have a small minority of parents who are parking or stopping on our yellow, hatched lines. Please park in a sensible place, well away from the school entrance. May I also request all parents driving their children to school, to drive very carefully and slowly on Glebe Road, as a child was hit by a car on Monday afternoon. Fortunately the child did not sustain any major injuries, but she, her mother and witnesses to this incident were very shaken up.**

#### Year 1



**Teddy, Millie, Caris and Dylan are very proud of their vegetable print pictures**



**Chestnut Class have been making masks ready for Harvest Service**

This week Year 1 have been busy making animal masks for our Harvest Service and have also enjoyed printing with vegetables. In maths the children have been learning about the language of more than and less than and comparing numbers. They have also written their own version of the story "The Sweetest Song." In DT the focus was on tasting fruit ready to make a breakfast for a friend. The children practised their gymnastics and rugby skills in PE lessons.

#### Year 4

Year 4 children have been practising their colour mixing skills in art. They have also located physical features in Europe using an atlas, to support their geographical knowledge. In maths the children investigated Roman numerals and place value. The focus in English was on writing their own Harvest Poem, thinking about using descriptive language to paint a picture of words .



**Oak Class using atlases to locate physical features in geography.**

**Reception**



**Maple Class colour mixing using paint in their art lessons.**



**Ash Class enjoyed using play dough to make biscuits and cakes!**

This week Reception children have been busy identifying rhyming words and writing their own Monster Poem. They have also enjoyed using the bikes and scooters to support their balance and developing their motor skills. Children have also practised careful 1 – 1 counting and matching the total to the correct numeral. Visits to the mud kitchen have also been a much waited for activity!

**Year 3**



**Beech children concentrating hard on their number work.**



**Juniper Class discovering what makes a healthy diet**

This week Year 3 have been looking at what makes a healthy diet and what animals eat in science. The focus in maths has been adding and subtracting 10 and a 100 to and from a number. The children enjoyed practising their attacking and defending skills in PE. The children have been finding out the key features of persuasive writing and have written me a persuasive letter each. I am



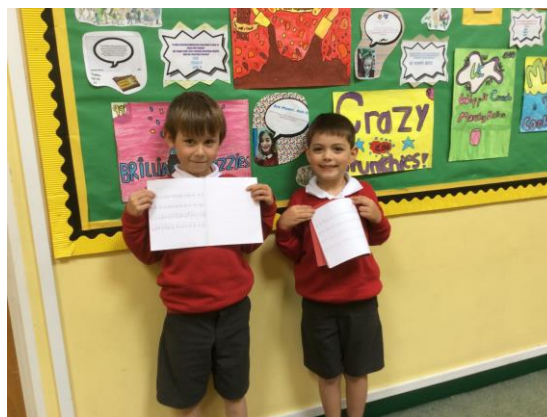
**Lime Class learning attacking and defending skills in PE.**

looking forward to reading some of them and finding out what great ideas they may have for our outdoor environment! Giving and following directions have been the geography focus this week.

## Year 2



**Isaac and Christopher working as a team in PE  
To show an animal travelling in curved and straight lines**



**Euan and Sam are very proud of their hard work in  
handwriting!**

Year 2 children wrote a recount of the beached whale from their core text "The Snail and the Whale." Counting and identifying multiples of 2, 5, 10 and 3 were the priorities in maths. The children enjoyed learning about Divali the Hindu Festival of Lights in RE. In geography the children labelled key features on a map of Cuckfield. They also focused on travelling at different heights and chest passes in PE. In science the children investigated different animal habitats in the sensory garden.

## Year 5/6



**Pine Class practising Pointillism art**



**Year 6 children reinforcing their place value knowledge**



**Silver Birch children carefully refining their art work**

Year 5 / 6 children wrote a description of a setting in relation to their core text "Rooftoppers." They used editing stations to improve their descriptions focusing on punctuation, grammar, vocabulary, spelling and peer editing. In maths the children

practised their short and long division. The children also investigated the Mayan number system during history. Pointillism was used to create a painting of the Eiffel Tower. In PE the children taught games to the Lower Juniors, which was very successful.

### **Achievement Leaves on the Tree:**

**22:09:17** Chestnut –Sophie, Damson –Noah, Elder –Ridley, Juniper –Ellie, Lime –Jonathan, Maple –Lily, Oak – Molly C, Pine –Jennifer, Silver Birch – Frankie, Willow –Christian



**29:09:17** Chestnut – Elodie, Damson – Jacob, Elder – Charlotte, Hawthorn – Lexie, Juniper – Zeph, Lime – Theo, Maple – George, Oak – Ruby, Pine – Mia D, Silver Birch – Francesca, Willow –Henry



Congratulations to:

#### **Best Class Attendance**

Reception & KS1 - Damson - 99.6%

Key Stage 2 Pine - 99%

#### **Housepoints**

Donaldson 1004

Rowling 787

Morpurgo 765

Dahl 721

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017 – 2018 - correct at time of issue (may be subject to unavoidable changes)

**AUTUMN TERM 2017** (may be subject to unavoidable changes)

**INSET DAYS 2017 – 2018**      **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October, Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February,  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June, Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Festival - 9.30am Key Stage 2, 10.30am – Key Stage 1

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Individual School Photographs ( Siblings before school in the hall 8.30am )

Monday 23-27 October Half Term

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October Inset Day

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Online Safety Support Meeting for parents

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> & Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Trampoline Taster Days for all classes**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Anti Bullying Week

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Children In Need

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November Eucharist at the church

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Open Afternoon

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November & Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Consultations

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November Flu Vaccinations Years R,1,2,3,4

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Carols around the Tree

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am & 2.00pm – Reception/ Year 1 & 2 Nativity ( Team A & B to be advised at a later date)

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – House Treat

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Interim Reports to go home

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Party Day

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Reception / Key Stage 1 Christingle 9.30am , Key Stage 2 Christingle 10.30am

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch

There will be further dates to be added, we are just awaiting confirmation of these dates.

