

St Mary the Virgin CE Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents and Governors,

Curriculum

We have had a busy week, with the children now fully immersed in their 'Learning Journeys'. Maple, Cherry and Oak classes found treasure chests with all sorts of strange belongings. They are now trying to find out who owns the chests as they want to return them to the rightful owners.

Beech and Lilac are discovering the amazing formations below the earth. Except for Maple, the classes are using a new maths scheme that we have just purchased. This will ensure continuity throughout the school. There are new pupil books and many interactive activities that the children can use on the laptops and Smart boards.

Computers

Other new acquisitions this term are 9 new laptops and a new server. This has been possible through the money raised by the PTA. Thank you everyone!

The server was installed last week but small hitches are still being ironed out. The laptops will be set up next week when a technician from county will be here.

Telephones

Some of you may have noticed that we have been having trouble with the phones. Old age, I am afraid! The good news is that yesterday we had a new system installed. We are still learning how to transfer calls without cutting people off, but hopefully we will learn quickly.

Mosaics

The wonderful mosaics that all the children helped to make last term, have been hung in the corridor. There are still more to complete but these are being made at the Mosaic Club, after school. Many thanks to Mrs Dawkins for all her hard work in organising this and to all those who helped make them. Please come and look.

New Parents Meeting

Tuesday evening was an informative session when the parents of Maple

children learnt all about how their children will learn. Mrs Bellamy, assisted by Mrs Carter and Miss Ricks, explained the different ways that the children will learn and had everyone learning to count in Japanese! Thank you ladies for a great evening.

Governors

The first meeting of the governing body took place on Wednesday evening, when a new governor, Mr Edwin Luckham-Down was welcomed. Edwin is a Foundation governor, appointed by the church. He is a buildings surveyor so will, in particular, be able to advise us on building issues.

Vacancies

We have two vacancies. If you are interested, please contact the office to speak to me.

Dinner Lady required:

One hour a day: 11:55 – 12:55
Monday - Friday
Term time only

Cleaner required:

One hour a day: 3:30 – 4:30pm
Monday - Friday
Term time only

Stars of the Week

Maple	Joe Rhone-Jenkins
Cherry	Lea Wellbelove
Oak	Ella Postlethwaite
Beech	Cameron Follows
Lilac	James Sargent

Well done STARS

Start of Year Service

9:30am on Sunday at St Mary's Church – see you there!

Pam Edwards, Headteacher