



# Waverley Abbey School

*All things are possible for one who believes. Mark 9:23*



## School Newsletter 12

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## Headteacher's Update

Next week's worship –Praise (saying thank you)

*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his love endures forever. Psalm 118:1*

Welcome to our 12<sup>th</sup> newsletter of the year. It is so wonderful to see the days getting longer and the children are enjoying the warmer weather too – long may it continue!

Today, Year 3 went on their Year group trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace. I am sure they'll have had a wonderful day with lots to share upon their return!

Last week saw a very successful World Book Day. The children's costumes were very well thought out and we had a superb range of adjectives. There were so many conversations around school where pupils were avidly guessing each other. Mrs Wade's 'discombobulated' was a particular challenge and I doubt many of us will forget Mrs Lodge as a 'flamboyant flamingo'! Thank you for your support – the children had a wonderful day. As part of the festivities we also had the most fantastic cake sale too which raised over £600 for the school library. Well done to all of our winners!

Stem week: Next week is another exciting learning opportunity for our children as from the 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> March we will be celebrating Science and Technology Week throughout the school. Each class will be learning about an area of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) over the course of the week. During the week, the children will be designing and making inventions; building and constructing; investigating questions; finding solutions to problems and much more. Each year group will be collating work and once completed photographs will be uploaded onto the school's Facebook account.

On the Monday, the school focus will be science, with each year group looking at a different scientist and

completing investigations linked to that scientist. We also have Silly Science coming into school, running workshops with each group throughout the day. Tuesday and Wednesday, our attention will be on Design and Technology, focussing on the designing and then making of a project to improve our school - for example in Year 5, the children will be designing and making an outdoor handwashing facility in the Wild Area. During assembly on both Tuesday and Wednesday, we will also be learning about designers throughout history. On Thursday, we will be learning about influential people in computing and the importance of algorithms and computational thinking skills. Jam Coding will also be providing a workshop, and an introduction to a coding club they will be running in the summer term. Children who shared an interest in the club have been signed up to the workshop.

To end the week, our attention will turn to maths. Children will be able to come in dressed as their TT rockstar avatar or in red for comic relief (an optional £1 donation to Comic Relief is welcome). During assembly, selected children will participate in a TT rockstar battle and in the afternoon, we shall be learning about tessellations, transformations, and rotations of shapes.

Ukraine: Many of our children have, understandably, wanted to talk about Ukraine over the past few weeks. We have been using the government recommended materials including a Newsround video as part of the discussions. The diocesan team also wanted to let families know that there have been prayer resources added to the Lady Chapel for people's personal prayer time. The church is open from 9.30am until around 5pm every day for private prayer and all are welcome.

Enjoy your weekend,  
Mrs Rebecca Marshall  
Headteacher

## Diary dates for Spring & Summer Term 2022

March	
14 <sup>th</sup>	STEM week
29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Production 6pm
31 <sup>st</sup>	School Disco
April	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Eggstravaganza
1 <sup>st</sup>	End of Spring Term
19 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Summer Term
May	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tempest group photos
9 <sup>th</sup>	SATs Week
12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Happy Circus event</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Calshot
27 <sup>th</sup>	INSET day
30 <sup>th</sup> May to 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Half Term
June	
6 <sup>th</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 UKSA
	Year 4 Runways End (two groups)
24 <sup>th</sup>	INSET day
To be confirmed	Swim Gala
July	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Sports day
7 <sup>th</sup>	Reserved Sports day
8 <sup>th</sup>	INSET day
22 <sup>nd</sup>	End of Term

## School News & Information:

### End of Term, April 1<sup>st</sup> Finish Times:

Y6 - 1.10pm

Y5 - 1.15pm

Y4 - 1.20pm

Y3 - 1.30pm

### REMINDERS

**Disco:** Don't forget to purchase tickets for the Lower and Upper School Discos taking place on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March. These are available via SCOPay and cost £5.00 each.

**Swimming:** Please remember to make payment for your child's swimming over the course of the school year via your SCOPay account. Whilst payment is voluntary, the school cannot provide this facility without your support.

**Residential Trip Payments :** Can we please remind parents that, unless previously agreed, payment in full is needed for UKSA (Year 6), Calshot (Year 5) and Runways End (Year 4). Thank you.

**Happy Circus is coming to Waverley Abbey on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May! School Gates will open at 5pm with a 2.5 hour experience in the Big Top; doors opening at 5.30pm. Food will be available to purchase!**

Please spread the word! We welcome neighbours, friends, grandparents and anyone else interested in attending Happy Circus on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May. Lots more information to come!

**Tickets for Happy Circus available now**

£12 per person

£44 for a family of 4

Payable by SCOPay

