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Dear Families

This week, we have had our termly visit from our Diocese School Effectiveness Officer, Chris Kronda. The focus of his visit was Collective Worship. Chris had the opportunity to observe Collective Worship in Key Stage 2. The focus of our worship this week was Jesus being the 'Light of the World' and how he is a Life Guider. He had the opportunity to see our children discussing the meaning of being a 'Life Guider'.

Collective Worship is a daily activity and each week in school we follow a particular aspect which is threaded throughout the week. We then discuss, share and reflect on this and try to take key messages to help us to be a better community of people.

The final thought for the week was thinking about how we can shine out as a light into the world like Jesus did!

Enjoy your weekend.
Jane Sharrock

PTA MEETING

The PTA is holding an Extraordinary General Meeting on Tuesday 11th February at 3.30pm. Mrs Griffiths is kindly offering an after-school facility for children at the school, allowing parents to attend the meeting. As the current PTA board steps down, we are looking for dedicated and passionate parents to step up and continue this important work. As a team, our PTA has organised a variety of fundraising events to provide financial support for school improvements, educational programs, and extracurricular activities. **This meeting is crucial to ensure the continued success of our PTA.** Without a PTA, we may struggle to raise extra funds for essential resources. The PTA will be sending out leaflets about the meeting, so please support them. No matter how much or little time you can give, **every effort counts!** Whether you want to lead a committee, volunteer occasionally, or just stay informed, they welcome your involvement.



REMINDER - WORLD THINKING DAY

On Monday 24th February, children who are members of the Girl Guiding and Scouting organisation can wear their uniforms to school to celebrate 'World Thinking Day', which is Saturday 22nd February. This includes children who are in Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. World Thinking Day is an annual event, celebrated worldwide.

YEAR 4 GIRLS FOOTBALL

Five of our girls went to Angmering School yesterday afternoon to take part in a football event. Firstly, they participated in some football practice drills, and then split into two teams for a match. Our girls joined forces with Ferring Primary School, and Orla scored a brilliant goal. The match ended in a 1-1 draw, and Mr Jenner decided to present everyone with medals. Thanks to the parents who braved the cold to cheer the girls on.



RECENT CORRESPONDENCE:

- Before and After School Booking forms are now available for Spring 2.
- Email to KS2 parents confirming trip to Theatre Royal.

DATES FOR THE SPRING AND SUMMER TERMS

Over the weeks, we will add **new dates/events in red**, so please make sure that you regularly check this list and update your diaries.

FEBRUARY 2025

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| Tues 11 February | Safer Internet Day PTA EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING AT 3.30PM |
| Wed 12 February | Reception assembly (2.45pm) – parents invited |
| Thurs 13 February | Hawking About visiting school – Ash & Willow (am) Please return slips & payment. Y3 & Y4 Boys' Football Tournament at Angmering NO Y5 & Y6 NETBALL OR FOOTBALL TRAINING |
| 17-21 February | Half-term break |
| Mon 24 February | Back to school World Thinking Day |
| Tues 25 February | Parents evening (3.30pm – 6.30pm) No Instrumental or Boys' Vocal Clubs today. |
| Wed 26 February | Reception Health Screening Parents evening (3.30pm – 5.30pm) |

MARCH 2025

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| Sun 2 March | Choir will be singing at St John Baptist Church service (10am) – info to follow |
| Mon 3 March | Y3 & Y4 Netball event at Angmering School – details to follow |
| Thurs 6 March | World Book Day – details to follow Y5 & Y6 Rugby Tournament at Angmering – details to follow NO Y5 & Y6 NETBALL OR FOOTBALL TRAINING |
| Tues 11 March | Y1 & Y2 Football Tournament at Angmering – details to follow |
| Thurs 13 March | KS2 Trip to the Theatre Royal, Brighton NO ART CLUB |
| Tues 18 March | Y5 & Y6 High Five Netball Tournament – details to follow |
| Thurs 20 March | NO ART CLUB |
| Fri 21 March | NO ART CLUB |
| Fri 28 March | Last Art Club |
| Mon 31 March | Y4 -Y6 Basketball at Angmering – details to follow |

APRIL 2025

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| Tues 1 April | Easter Bonnet Parade – details to follow |
| Wed 2 April | Holly Class assembly (2.45pm) |
| Thurs 3 April | Easter Service led by Rowan Class at school (9am) Y5 & Y6 Netball and Football at Angmering – details to follow Last Art Club |
| 7 – 21 April | Easter Break |
| Tues 22 April | INSET Day |
| Wed 23 April | Back to School |

MAY 2025

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| Mon 5 May | Bank Holiday, school closed |
| Mon 19 May | Oak Class Assembly (2.45pm) |
| 26 – 30 May | Half-term break |

JUNE 2025

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| Mon 2 June | INSET Day |
| Tues 3 June | Back to school |
| Sat 14 June | SUMMER REVELS |
| Wed 25 June | Year 6 Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral (1.15pm service) |

JULY 2025

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| Tues 8 July | Y5 & Y6 Production (6pm) |
| Wed 9 July | Y1 & Y2 Assembly for parents (2.45pm) Y5 & Y6 Production (6pm) |
| Tues 22 July | Last day of term |