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# St Andrew's News



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## Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers

This week our wonderful school choir set off to Dorking Halls to perform on Monday afternoon. Miss Joyce and Mrs Mitchell had rehearsed for weeks beforehand and were so proud of the pupils amazing performance on the night!

We are renewing our school values this term and are seeking opinions and ideas from every part of our school community. Please do look and feedback your ideas and preferences. The children will be looking at them and giving their views over the coming weeks as well.

Also look out for all the exciting new events and dates that are being released by FoSA this week for the summer term. Of course, if you think you are able volunteer and support, please contact Yvonne Bond or any members of the PTA.

Next week is the last week we will have Mrs Coward's condolence book out for parents, pupils and staff to sign or write in a memory. If you would like to contribute, please come into the school front office over this coming week. We will be passing the book over to Mrs Coward's family the week after at the funeral.

Hope you all enjoy the bank holiday weekend. Spend time with loved ones and stay safe.

Stina Witkowski

## School Values

We are consulting pupils, parents, staff, governors and other interested members of our school community in order to create a new set of school values. Our current values have been an excellent framework within which we have operated for six years. Now is the time to review these and update them if needed. We may decide one or two of them should stay. This consultation is to agree our underpinning values from September 2024 onwards. We would welcome you opinion; please click on this link [School Values Consultation](#) to complete this short form by Tuesday 14 May.

## Choir

On Monday, 28 super excited members of the school choir met up with 11 other school choirs to perform at Dorking Halls. The stage was full of smiling faces and our choir had worked really hard to learn the words to 13 songs, some of them sung in parts with harmonies to learn as well. Mrs Mitchell and I were very proud of both their singing and their excellent behaviour. (Miss Joyce)



## Biles

Biles class really enjoyed completing some observational drawing this week. We used a range of sketch pencils to draw what we saw, ensuring there was as much detail as possible. We're really looking forward to creating some multimedia work and pop art in the coming weeks!. ( Mrs Ellard)



## Class Photos

Class photos will be taken on Wednesday, 8 May. Please can all children come to school in their school uniform. If your child normally has PE that day, please send their PE kit in with them. Thank you

Brown Class

This week in Brown Class we have carried out an experiment related to our Plants and Nutrition topic. We have left two celery sticks, one in water and one in water with red food dye. The class predicted what will happen to them over the weekend and when we come back on Tuesday we will observe the differences. ( Mrs Nicholson)



Thank you for supporting our cake sales - the money really does make a difference. With the cost of everything nowadays it is lovely to keep prices down for trips and educational experiences. The money raised in these class sales will do this. We have the **Kolisi class cake sale next week - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May**. We may only have one more cake sale before the end of the year so grab these delicious bargains while you can!



**Keep Elmbridge Tidy!**



The next Cobham Conservation and Heritage Trust litter pick is on **Sunday 5 May, meeting at 2pm on the corner of Downside Common and Downside Road.**

The following litter pick will meet at 2 pm on Sunday 2 June 2024 by (former) No. 44 Furniture Shop on the corner of Portsmouth Road and Between Streets. Hi viz jackets, litter pickers and litterbags will be provided, but please wear appropriate clothes and gloves.

Over the last two years, Elmbridge BC has installed over 500 bins in our green spaces and high streets and increased the frequency of litter and fly-tip patrols. Elmbridge BC has also started the 'Keep Elmbridge Tidy' campaign in spring 2023 with on-site posters, banners and messages on social media channels and newsletters. This year, it is stepping up its anti-litter campaign with competitions amongst other things to engage the public. More details of the initiatives can be found here: <https://www.elmbridge.gov.uk/news/2024/join-forces-keep-elmbridge-tidy#:~:text=Over%20the%20last%20two%20years,social%20media%20channels%20and%20newsletters.>



**Bag2School collection is Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 9am** at our school doors. Please drop what you have to the door that

morning. I'm unable to store any bags prior as we are clearing the FoSA office for a fresh set up.



**Make/Break the Rules Day will be on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.** One of the children's favourite days. Payment can be via ClassList from this weekend or give your coin to your teacher. See poster for details.

And I'm delighted to share the details of our **Quiz Night - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June.** We have wanted to host a quiz for some time as it is so much fun and very popular. See poster for details. Bring along friends and family and enjoy a fun night out with great food, drink and cool prizes. You won't want to miss this one! (Yvonne Bond )



Everyone is invited to the Family Worship - *What seeds are we planting* – at 10am on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Our

school's Faith Ambassadors Club will performing a little drama during the service which will be led by the young people in the church.

**Best Class Attendance**  
**Farah**

**House Points**  
**Painshill**

**Next Week's Value**  
**Aspire**

Celebration Certificates

Value– Achieve

- Cole:** Violet
- Brown:** Indianna
- Kolisi:** Auden
- Nadim:** Jack
- Biles:** Liam
- Farah:** Ethan



Achievement, Progress or effort in Maths/English

- Cole:** Chael
- Brown:** Stella
- Kolisi:** Dillon-James
- Nadim:** Poppy
- Biles:** Josie
- Farah:** Tiyanna