



30th September

School news Update

Our church school creates a firm foundation where together, with God's help and with the help of others, we learn for life, achieve our best and grow in faith.

SIAMS inspection

We have sent everyone a letter today regarding our upcoming SIAMs inspection. We received the telephone call yesterday which gives a weeks notice of the inspection on Thursday 6th October. The letter outlines some further details and we are exciting to share our wonderful school with the inspector next week.

MacMillan Cake Sale

We raised **£159.50!** Thank you so much to Mrs Grover and Miss Slater for providing the cakes and arranging the sale with the help of Monet class who wrote the invitation, made posters and ran the stall at break time.



Phonics Workshop

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Van Gogh Class phonics workshop. We hope that you found it useful.

Harvest Donations



Thank you for your generosity for the Harvest donations last week. A member of the team from the Salvation Army at Kings Ripton Court came into school on Tuesday to lead Collective Worship and then some of the children helped to fill her car with our donations. They were very grateful, sharing with the children who would benefit from your kindness.

Picasso Grafham Residential

The children have had an amazing time away over the past three days at Grafham Water Centre. From low ropes to climbing wall, sailing to lots of food!!

Thank you especially to Mrs Jackson and Mrs Hawthorne for arranging such a great time.

A special visitor found on the school field!



Some of our children found a baby hedgehog on the edge of the school field last week. Thank you to the North family who picked up and took home the hedgehog to ensure that it was in a safe place. Mr North showed some of the children the hedgehog and talked to them about the importance of looking after hedgehogs.

School lunches

The menu sent home for the school lunches at the beginning of term runs until Christmas. Please find attached the menu again with the dates across the top so you know which week is week one and two.

Thank you for the responses from Van Gogh and Monet parents in helping us maintain a balanced diet for your children. The system is now set up for the lunches chosen by parents and these will be set until the menu changes again, unless we have a 'special lunch' day for example Diwali lunch, for which the flyer is attached.



Please complete and return the menu flyer if you have chosen a different lunch that day for your child than the one already booked.

Kandinsky and Picasso still chose each day, however if your child does not normally have a school lunch and they wish to join us for the Diwali lunch, please complete and return with payment by Monday 10th October.

Dinner Money

A polite reminder to those parents who have not paid for meals taken by their children this term; as always we find it difficult to hold debt on accounts and would request that meals are paid for in advance or as they are taken. Many thanks.



STARS news

Following on from our AGM last week, our new committee for this year is as follows -

Chair - Samantha North

Vice Chair - Kags Alexander-Cahill

Secretary and comms - Holly Jones

Treasurers - Kerrie and Tim Finlay-Bonner

Committee members - Daisy Smallpage, Emma Wadsworth, James Stevens, Jo Brett-Orchard, Kathryn Van Dyke, Stefanie Proud and Lee North

We are all very excited for the year ahead and many fun events to keep us all busy! Keep an eye out for more details soon – dates are !

Make do and Mend has been rearranged (weather pending) for Saturday 8th October from 10am. A list of 'jobs' will be available before the day so that any tools required can be arranged.

Any ideas for events and fundraisers are greatly appreciated.



Diary Dates Autumn 2022/Spring 2023

Date	Event
5 th October	Open Session to view for Foundation intake 2023 ~ 1:30pm – 2.30pm
6th October	School SIAMs inspection
8th October	STARS Make do and Mend: 10am
19 th October	Parent Consultations ~ 3:30pm – 7:30pm
20 th October	Diwali lunch – booking form to follow
20 th October	Parent Consultations ~ 3:30pm – 5:30pm
24th – 28th October	HALF TERM
4 th November	Bonfire lunch - booking form to follow
8 th November	Flu Vaccinations for all children. Opt out details will follow.
8 th November	Open Session to view for Foundation intake 2023 ~ 1:30pm – 2.30pm.
10 th November	Year 5 Football festival
11th November	Individual Pupil Photos - am
11 th November	Invite to join us for Remembrance Day. More details to follow.
14 th – 18 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
16 th November	Van Gogh Nursery Rhyme Time ~ 9.15am. Parents invited.
18 th November	Children in Need Day
29 th November	Kandinsky and Picasso Classes ~ Multi-Faith tour
1 st December	Year 4 Football festival
2 nd December	Whole School Christmas Decorating Morning. Parents invited.
5 th December	Open Session to view for Foundation intake 2023 ~ 1:30pm – 2:30pm
12 th December	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance ~ 2:15pm
13 th December	Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance ~ 9:30am and 2:15pm
14 th December	Whole School Christmas Lunch including Christmas Jumper day
21 st December	Christmas Christingle Service ~ 9:30am in the church
21 st December	End of term
22nd Dec 2022 to 5rd Jan 2023	Christmas Holiday
4 th January	Training day ~ School Closed
5 th January	Spring term 2023 begins
11 th January – 8 th February	Picasso Class swimming 1:30pm – 2:30pm