



Learn, Discover, Achieve

Friday Flyer – 19th October 2018 – issued on 18th October 2018

Science Fair and Open Afternoon - Thursday 11th October, 1:30-4pm

The Science Fair and Open Afternoon was a huge success. Thank you for helping your children to create their fabulous experiments. We were fortunate to have demonstrations in the hall by Southern Water, the Environment Agency, TESLA of Storrington, Sussex Inshore Fisheries Conservation Authority and Paul Steele, STEM Ambassador. There is an article and photos about this event in today's County Times.



Parent Survey Results – July 2018

The results of the parent Survey sent to all families in July 2018 are shown below.

There was some encouraging feedback, for example;

“Teaching is good, teachers have great subject knowledge and go the extra mile to make subjects interesting and relevant.”

“Safe and nurturing environment. Very approachable and deal with concerns quickly.”

“Family atmosphere caring, protective emotionally as well as physically.”

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know	Totals
1	Does your child like school?			6	6		12
2	Is your child making progress?			6	6		12
3	Are children who need extra support well catered for?			3	6	3	12
4	Are you kept well informed about how your child is getting on?		1	7	4		12
5	Is the teaching good?			3	9		12
6	Do staff treat your child fairly?			6	5	1	12
7	Does your child's class teacher have high expectations of them?			4	5	3	12
8	Does the school provide appropriate homework?		2	6	2	2	12
9	Is the school successful in helping your child to become mature and independent?			4	7	1	12
10	Do children at the school generally behave well?		1	6	5		12
11	Does your child feel safe from bullying at school?	1	1	6	3	1	12
12	Do parents feel involved in the school?			8	4		12
13	Does the school seek the views of parents and take account of their suggestions and concerns?			7	3	2	12
14	Would you feel comfortable approaching staff with questions, problems or a complaint?			5	6	1	12
15	Is the school well led and managed?			4	7	1	12
16	Does the school provide a good range of activities, most of which your child finds interesting and enjoyable?		1	5	6		12
17	If your child started at the school recently, were the arrangements to settle them in good?				5	7	12
18	Does the school reflect the ethos and practices of a Church of England school well, at the same time as providing for children of other beliefs?			5	4	3	12

Families	37
Returns	12
% Return	30.08%

Parent Consultation Evening – Tuesday 6th November

Sign-up sheets for the evening will appear outside the school office from Monday 29th October; please sign up for a ten minute slot. Like last year, there will be a ten minute timer operating in the hall enabling parents and teachers to stick to the times slots and avoid overrunning.

Joint Activity Day at Amberley Primary School – Wednesday 7th November 2018

The children will be going to Amberley School for a joint activity day around the theme of World Music. The children should arrive at Amberley School between **8:45-9.00am** and gather in the school playground where they will be met by their class teacher. To avoid congestion in the village, we are asking the children to be collected from the school playground at **2:50pm**. Please share lifts where possible and park considerately. Breakfast club will run as usual and these children will be transported to Amberley in the minibus - please let us know in advance if this will apply to your child. Normal lunch arrangements apply. A letter will follow giving full details after half term.

Year 1-3 Football Tournament at Watersfield

Well done to the team who represented St James' at the football tournament on 8th October. The team finished fourth of the six teams involved and performed admirably and with great enthusiasm.



Mufti Day to Raise Money for Gardening Club – Friday 2nd November

There will be a "mufti day" on Friday 2nd November. The children are invited to wear their own clothes on this day, in return for a donation of £1. The money raised will be used to purchase new tools and equipment for Gardening Club.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Gilbert
Head Teacher

Important Dates for your diary:

Fri	19/10/2018	InSet Day; school closed
Mon	22/10/2018 to Fri 26/10/2018	– Half term
Fri	02/11/2018	Mufti Day
Tue	06/11/2018	3:30pm to 7:00pm Parent consultation
Wed	07/11/2018	Joint day with Amberley School at Amberley
Fri	09/11/2018	Yew Class Worship 9am Remembrance Service at St Giles' Church 11am
Fri	23/11/2018	Elm Class Worship 9am
Fri	07/12/2018	Ash Class Worship 9am
Mon	10/12/2018	Carol Concert in St Giles' Church, 6pm TBC
Thurs	13/12/2018	1:30pm and 6pm, Nativity Play, Years R, 1 and 2
Wed	19/12/2018	End of Term
Thurs	03/01/2018	Start of Spring Term
Fri	01/02/2018	Young Voices