

## PTA AGM Tonight

7-8pm in the hall (parking available on the playground) Please join us for the first PTA meeting of the year, all are welcome!



## Open Session next week: Monday 9th October

Classes 3, 5, and 6: Use the Class 5/6 doors Classes 1, 2 and 4: Use the main entrance Please be aware that buggies and prams cannot be brought into the building. We do hope you can come along and that you will enjoy seeing your child's classroom, their books and teacher.

### Y6 Parents: SATs Information evening 18th October

On **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm**, Miss Walker will be holding an information evening for Y6 parents and children about the 2024 Key Stage 2 assessments (SATs). You will be able to find out all about what the tests entail, look at past papers and find out how best you can support your child with their learning over the coming months.

## MOVIE





Monday 16th October 2023 3.15-5pm £5 per child

Movie and Munch takes place in classrooms with the teachers.

All children will be provided with a drink and snack whilst enjoying watching their film.

Book online: <u>www.pta-events.co.uk/stipps</u>

Bookings will close at the end of the day on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October and we will not be able to accept any bookings after this date.



Class 1 & 2 movie: Finding Nemo

Class 3 & 4 movie: Gnomeo and Juliet

Class 5 & 6 movie: Despicable Me



At the end of the session, children will be dismissed by teachers at their usual collection points. If you have children in more than one class attending, teachers will supervise your child until you get from one collection point to another.

Thank you for your cooperation.



By our brilliant Sports Reporter, Libby in Year 5

## Cross Country report

On Thursday last week, some of the year 5 and 6 pupils took part in a cross-country event. It was a very important event and needed a lot of people to take part!

The year 5 boy's captain was Woody, and the year 5 girl's captain was Hannah. The year 6 boy's captain was Isaac, and the year 6 girl's captain was Elsie. Elsie's team achieved gold, and she also came second in the individual race. The year 6 teams brought home two new trophies for the cabinet.

The year 5s were very impressive, but unfortunately, they just missed out on the medals. Most people were aching terribly afterwards, but they got over it eventually.

Overall, everyone did a great job and had a fabulous time.

Well done to you all. You were brilliant!

## Weston Football Match

On Monday evening, a team of year 5 and 6 boys took part in a football match against Weston School up at St Ippolyts field. Unfortunately, they lost with a score of 5-1. The St Ippolyts goal was scored by Charlie B.

When I interviewed the captain, Rufus, this is what he had to say...

"I really enjoyed the game, but I was disappointed with the score."

Mr Jefferies had this to say...

"Well done Weston. You were the hardest and possibly the best trained team I have ever had to face in my entire time being at St Ippolyts School!"

Everybody should still be really proud of themselves. Well done boys!



### Pencil case reminder

Just a reminder that children should **not have felt tips or gel pens in their pencil cases** as we do not allow them to be used in exercise books. Coloured pencils are needed though. Thank you!

## Class 6 Assembly

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023 9.15am for C6 parents

## School Photographer

The school photographer will be here on **Wednesday 1**<sup>st</sup> **November** to take individual and sibling group portraits. All children will have their photo taken and you will receive proofs of their pictures. Placing an order is optional!

## Stop means Stop Campaign

Your lollipop man or woman will be wearing a bright 'stop means stop' tabard this October. (09/10/2023- 20/10/2023)

The 'stop means stop' campaign is run to highlight the ongoing danger the school crossing patrols face every day when cars do not stop, even when they have stepped into the road. Please show your support for them by stopping for your patrol.





## Important sickness reminder

Please be reminded that if children are sick or have upset tummies at home, they should stay off school for 48 hours from the last bout of vomiting or diarrhoea.

Tummy upsets and bugs spread rapidly between small children, so we very much appreciate your cooperation. Thank you.

### Club Cancellations

No choir on Wednesday 11th October because Mrs Stewart is not in school.

## Young Worship Westminster Abbey trip: next week

A reminder for Young Worship: don't forget to bring a packed lunch, water bottle, pocket money, a camera and any travel sickness medicine and inhalers if needed.





## Class 6 Cake Day! Friday 20th October

Dear Class 6 parents,

The PTA are holding a cake sale on 20<sup>th</sup> October to raise funds for school. This time it is the turn of Class 6 to each supply small cakes or biscuits to sell on the day. Please make sure that any tins, plates or containers are clearly named.

We would be very grateful if you could **donate 15 cakes for cake day,** to ensure that we have enough to go around & the children are not left disappointed. These cakes /biscuits can be either homemade or bought. You may want to plan some kitchen time to make or decorate the cakes with your child! **PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL CAKES MUST BE NUT-FREE.** 

The cakes will be sold during the morning break to the whole of the school, any remaining cakes will be sold outside school at home time. We hope that you will be able to support us with this event, and we thank you in anticipation.

Thank you from The PTA

## Everyone else...

Instead of a morning snack that day, children from all classes can bring a small amount of money to buy a cake or two. Cakes are 25p each, so please provide coins in a clearly named purse or envelope.

Any cakes left over will be sold at hometime by the main doors. If you could help with this, we would be very grateful.



# LEARING



Class 4 have been exploring storytelling through drawing & making. They used foil to create their characters and sculpt them into different positions.





Headteachers Awards for wonderful writing - well done!



Class 3 have been working on their retrieval skills in reading.



# This week's article by our pupil journalists, Amelie and Barney



### Harvest

On Friday 29th all the students headed to the church, full of excitement in the warm Autumn sun. We were on our way to celebrate the Harvest, which signifies the beginning of Autumn. Well done to all pupils and teachers who sang and read their parts. The singing was excellent and really lifted the mood in the stunning church. Thank you for all the amazing donations, they all went to great causes: the Hitchin Food Bank, Rev. Ginny's Parish Pantry and North Herts Sanctuary. We are also supporting the Bishop of St Albans' Harvest Appeal, who are sending chickens to families in Uganda living in poverty.

Black History Month

It is Black History Month. It was first created by a man from Ghana and we recognise it every October, here in the UK. However, this varies in different countries; in the U.S it is placed in February. This man's name was Akyaaba Addai-Sebo, who happened to be a refugee from his home country. He fled to the UK in 1984 to seek shelter from political persecution; his aim was to make people stand up against racism, as well as make them educate themselves on the history of the black race. Things like this were not taught in schools at that time. Black people have lived in Britain for hundreds of years, and have been celebrated in different ways for a long time.

### Reminders:

- The Class Six Assembly is coming up soon, so Year Six parents, keep an eye
  out for it and make space in your diary!
- The school Open Session is on Monday 9th. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Thank you for reading; Also, we hope the Four Square team did well in the tournament. We hope the rest of your week goes well!

Quote of the Week-

Find out what you want to do and do it on purpose-Dolly Parton

Making Music Improving Lives

## Hertfordshire County Youth Training Choir A pilot running in autumn term 2023



**Hertfordshire County** Training Choir is aimed for children in Years 6 to 8 who may have an interest in singing in a county choir!

### Rehearsals



Wednesday 1st, 15th and 29th November 5.00pm - 6.00pm



Mid Herts Centre for Music and Arts

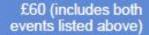
#### Concert



Saturday 16th December 6.00pm (rehearsals from 1,00pm)



St Etheldreda's Church (Hatfield)





To book your place, please email countymusicenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk

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