

'Stewards Of The Earth, Eager to Learn, Faithful To God'

Welcome from the Headteacher

I hope that this newsletter finds you well.

We have had another brilliant half term at Turners Hill CofE Primary School, the children have worked incredibly hard and are ready for a very well deserved rest. This week we undertook our first 'science & nature' week where we combined our traditional Green Week activities with lots of brilliant science investigations. I must say that there have been some weird and wonderful sights and sounds around school this week, ranging from mashed up food being squeezed through a pair of tights (simulating the way the gut processes food) to tests to see which socks allow you to slide the furthest (under very safe control conditions I must add). The children have thoroughly enjoyed themselves and we will certainly be having another 'science & nature' week next term.

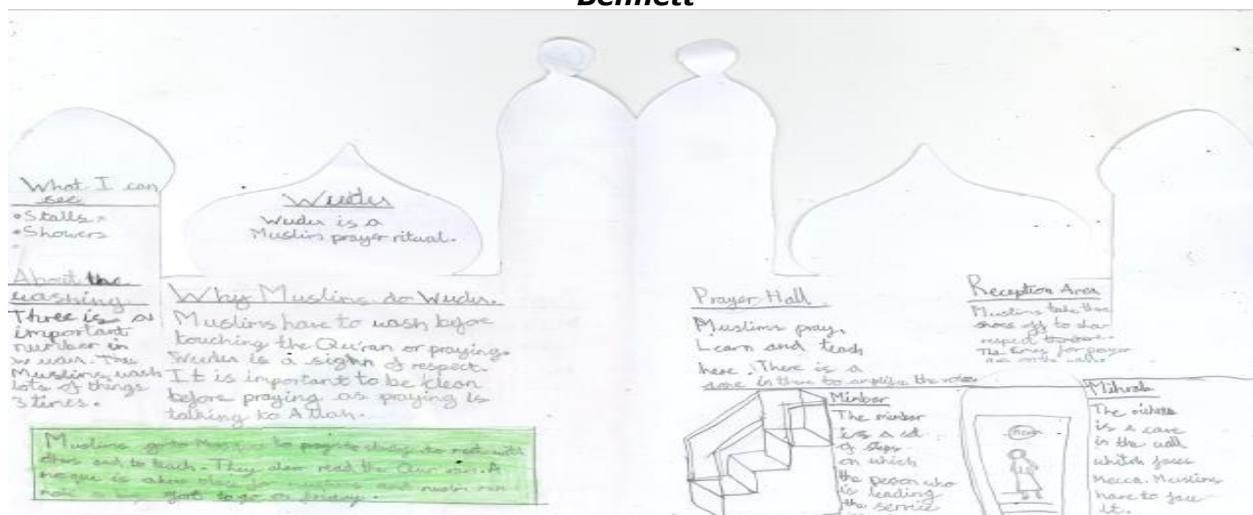
We were joined for today's Celebration Assembly, which focused on science week, by Jeremy Quin MP. Jeremy was keen to congratulate the children and staff on the fantastic results which have been achieved and to discuss school funding with myself and Mrs Palin. I would like to thank Jeremy for spending the time telling the children about his role as an MP and for listening to the concerns we have with regard to the National Funding Formula when applied to small schools such as ours.

I hope that you all have a great half term and enjoy spending some quality time with your children. See you after half term!

Best wishes
Ben Turney

INSET DAYS – Friday 25th May, Friday 22nd June & Monday 25th June 2018

A peek into a Mosque By Hazel Bennett



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STAR PUPIL AWARDS

The following Star Pupil Certificates have been awarded to:

Sofia Leslie for showing perseverance and independence when writing her dinosaur fact file.

Oscar Pawsey for his confidence and enthusiasm during our work on 3D shapes.

Ryan Duff-Cole for showing great confidence and perseverance as well as increased independence over the last 2 weeks!

Beau Vernon for working hard to improve his writing this week and ALWAYS being a great role model.

All of KS2! A fantastic trip – you represented our school brilliantly!

David Edwards for being independent and having a great school trip! Also, amazing writing!!!

Dylan Mitchell for rising to the challenge in writing – fantastic effort!

Joseph Emery for his incredible work and progress in Maths and for always having a positive attitude. A true role model for the class!



As part of our Science/Green Week, the following 'Super Science Awards' have been given:

Jonjo O'Grady for his great interest and enthusiasm for science activities.

Mila Sullivan for her interest and enthusiasm for our science activities.

Scarlett Watkins for using great scientific language all week!

Jessica Lynch for having a hardworking, scientific approach to her experiments.

Reggie West for making brilliant predictions.

Amelia Pawsey for gaining lots of science knowledge.

Abigail Kennedy for a scientific approach and great team work!

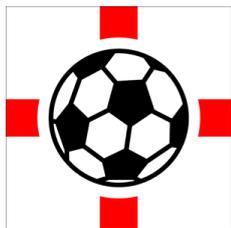
Romeo Bustamante for detailed, scientific explanations!

Sofia Flippance for an excellent conclusion and understanding the investigation from using her peers and initiative.

Georgie Mackleden for her written investigation and solving the problem with excel.

LATEST FOOTBALL NEWS OVENDEN SCORES SHOCKER AGAINST WEST HOATHLY!

By Finlay Carrick



On Wednesday 31st January, Turners Hill School's football team, consisting of 8 players, played Felbridge in the first match and West Hoathly in the second. The first game included many chances from Turners Hill who deserved to score many goals but sadly scored none as Felbridge's goalkeeper wouldn't let any through. As a result of this, the game ended as an even 0-0.

Playing West Hoathly was a tough yet exciting game for both of the teams. In the first half, Finlay Carrick (Turners Hill's right back) ran down the wing, crossed it into the box to Shiraz, he shot but the keeper was strong and deflected it out. In a flash, Finlay stepped up and smashed the ball into the back of the net, just before the first half ended, West Hoathly scored a lucky goal to level them with Turners Hill. In the second half, Turners Hill were dominating West Hoathly but the opponents were holding on. As the last minute struck, Turners Hill played it round their defence. West Hoathly cleared the ball out, it came back to Dylan Ovenden (Turners Hill's star left midfielder) who ran up to the ball and struck the ball as powerfully as he could and curled the ball into the top left corner of the goal. A few seconds after, the final whistle blew and that was it, Turners Hill 2 – West Hoathly 1.

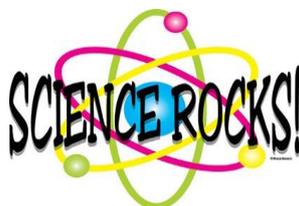
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SOME PHOTOS OF OUR SCIENCE WEEK!



ART COMPETITION

You may remember that many children from Turners Hill entered a (Bible through Art) competition last year, which was organised by the Diocese of Chichester. This year, the Diocese are running another competition to mark 'The Year of Prayer'. The school will be incorporating this into an RE/Art themed day on March 9th, but if your child/children would like to make an individual entry, the details are below.

'The Year of Prayer'

There are a number of Prayer themed activities, which have been divided into three sections:

- PRAYER through WORD – Pupils' own prayers
Create your own prayer on A4 paper and illustrate it. The winning selection will be compiled into a published book

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- PRAYER through SPACE – Spiritual Prayer Garden
Create a spiritual quiet space inside or outside school or create mini spiritual gardens planted in pots enabling anyone in the school community to be able to take time to pray peacefully, reflect and feel close to God. The finalists will be exhibited on the Diocesan website.
- PRAYER through IMAGE – Illustrated traditional prayers
Illustrate traditional prayers on A3 or A4 paper, written in calligraphy with illuminated letters and icons. The winning selection will be framed.

What are the judging criteria and how do we enter?

Creativity/Christian spiritual awareness/enabling prayer and communication with God/Visual impact/Imagination/Biblical knowledge reference/Quality of composition – Please send your entries to Mrs Tapp by **4th May 2018**.

STAFF CAR PARK

Following several car parking concerns, I would like to remind you all of our 'no parking in school grounds' policy; including swinging in to the drive for a 'quick pick-up'. The ONLY exceptions to this rule are dropping your child off between 8.40am - 9.00am and those drivers with express permission from the school office for special circumstances. The school driveway must be kept clear at ALL times for access by emergency vehicles. Thank you for your cooperation.

RECRUITMENT FAIR

Are you or is someone you know interested in training to be a teacher? Are you a teacher looking for a new post? Are you interested in the new Teaching Apprenticeships? Want to know more about being a school bursar, teaching assistant, learning mentor, working in SEN roles of clerk for a governing body? Are you interested in working for our Adult Education team? Have you considered being a school governor?

West Sussex County Council is holding a Recruitment Fair on Saturday 24th February at Ifield Community College in Crawley, RH11 0DB. The event will run from 10.00am – 2.00pm, you can drop in any time. Come along and meet schools, universities and other organisations to find out about the many roles in West Sussex schools. For more information go to www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobsinschools where you can also find details of who will be at the event.

SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday

Cheerleading/Gymnastics (Year R-3) – 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Tuesday

Netball (Year 4-6) – 3.20pm to 4.20pm

Football (Years 2-3) – 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Forest Schools (Year R-6) – 3.15pm to 5.00pm

Wednesday

Rocksteady (morning sessions)

Gymnastics (Mixed Ability) – 8.00am to 8.45am

Forest Schools (Year R-6) – 3.15pm to 5.00pm

Thursday

Gymnastics (Advanced) – 8.00am to 8.45am

Football (Years 4-6) – 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Friday

Tri-Golf (Years R-6) – 8.00am to 8.45am

Tennis (Years 2-6) – 3.15pm to 3.55pm

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY TO FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2018 – HALF TERM

Thursday 1st March 2018 – World Book Day

Wednesday 7th March 2018 – 10.00am to 3.00pm – Year 5/6 Quicksticks
Hockey Tournament – East Grinstead Sports Club

Wednesday 14th March 2018 – 10.00am – Year 3/4 Netball Festival – East
Grinstead Sports Club

Friday 23rd March 2018 – 9.05am - Birch Class Assembly

Monday 26th March 2018 – 2.30am – Easter Service at St. Leonard's Church

Wednesday 28th March 2018 – 9.00am – Rocksteady Assembly for parents

Thursday 29th March 2018 – 1.30pm – Final Assembly – **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2.00PM**



SCHOOL WEBSITE:

Please look at our school website (www.turnershillschool.org.uk) for up-to-date news and useful information as well as excellent websites to aid your child's learning.

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