

# St Peter's Church of England (Aided) Junior School



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## Newsletter — Friday 22nd November 2024

Dear Parents,

Last week marked Remembrance Day. Humphrey, our school dog, joined us in remembering with a special poppy outfit. Our school library also features a special remembrance display, reminding us all that *'for our tomorrow, they gave their today'*.

### Member of Parliament (MP) Visit

Last week, we welcomed the new MP for Aldershot and Farnborough, Alex Baker. Our pupil Global Ambassadors led Alex on a tour of school, while also sharing their plans for a climate exhibition. This was a lovely example of our Value of Collaboration. Our 'life in all fullness' curriculum was in full flow and, at the end of her visit, the MP described our school as a *'special place'*.

### World Music Workshop

In the National Curriculum, it states that: *'music is a universal language that embodies one of the highest forms of creativity. A high quality music education should engage and inspire pupils to develop a love of music and their talent as musicians, and so increase their self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement'*.

Yesterday, we welcomed a professional musician from World Music Workshops. The children were treated to a steel pan performance, alongside the opportunity to learn about the heritage of the instruments and play them in performance. A shining example of our Value of Celebration.

### Church School Values

Underpinned by our vision of 'life in all its fullness', our Church School Values are Celebration, Collaboration, Respect, Responsibility, Service and Truth. Each value is supported by a Bible verse.

In collective worship this week, we have been thinking about the theme of Peace. We have taken inspiration from the Bible verse: *'Blessed are the peacemakers'*. We have also been reminded that peace begins with each one of us - and that *'peace begins with a smile'*.



## Buster Farm trip

This half term, Year 3 are considering: *How can we celebrate the changes within the Stone Age?* At the launch of their history project, the children enjoyed a day of exploration at Butser Ancient Farm. They built fences, made jewellery and dug for artefacts!

## A Celebration of our Art work

At St. Peter's, we are proud to have a specialist art teacher. Since Mrs Adey retired in the summer, we have been delighted to welcome Mrs Wrighton into this specialist role. In our newsletter this week, we are celebrating the following outcomes in art and design.

Congratulations to our Year 3 children for their vibrant artwork, inspired by the Austrian artist, Friedrich Hundertwasser.

Introducing these beautiful landscapes of Antarctica, created by Year 4. Their work is inspired by the artist, Nerys Levy.

Showcasing these colourful portraits, crafted by Year 5. Inspired by various stories and research, each child chose an earth hero to celebrate, using the technique of collage.

Celebrating the brush techniques used by Year 6, in preparation for their mini theatre boxes. This work has been inspired by their Mayan picture book text, *Rain Player* by David Wisniewski.

## Latest News

Today has marked Election Day in school for various student leader roles, including Eco Councillors, Science Ambassadors and School Council. To keep up to date with life and learning in our school, please visit the ['latest news'](#) page on our school website.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Miss Reece and the Team

