



Witley C of E Infant School

Learn, love and flourish together



Newsletter no. 17 Spring Term
Friday 20th January 2023

Our value this half term is joy

*Kind words are like honey, sweet to the soul and healthy for the body
Proverbs 16:24*

Dear Parents and Carers

Please look out for your child's interim report in their book bag today. This is a new initiative and we hope you find it helpful. We hope to welcome many of you at our Open Classroom on Monday from 2.45 pm when you can view your child's learning and catch up informally with the class teachers. The main gate will be open from 2.45 pm.

Thank you to those of you who have completed our parent/questionnaire survey which closes at the end of this evening. There is still time to complete it if you haven't done so already!

Next Wednesday the Pied Piper Theatre Group, funded by FWS, will be performing the story of Burglar Bill during the afternoon. Pied Piper are a local Theatre group who have visited our school many times and the children are looking forward to the show.

Have you lost some glasses?

A neighbour has found a pair of petrol blue Spec Savers children's prescription glasses at the end of Church Lane. Please call in at the office if you think they may belong to your child. They were found a couple of weeks ago.

BREAK the Rules DAY - BREAKING NEWS!

Mrs Szczepanski will be providing snacks and treats for the children on Break the Rules Day (Thursday 26th January)! Please do not bring in treats/chocolate due to the fact that we have some children with allergies and dietary requirements. Remember it's 50p for every rule broken!

Also, Please do not bring in any device as we cannot be responsible for them and it would be very upsetting if something got lost or broken. Thank you.

Art Competition

St Hilary's School are running an art competition and I know we have some budding artists. St Hilary's have invited our pupils to take part in their new **Art Competition** to benefit World Down Syndrome Day. The theme is '**Family**' and submissions can be in any medium.

Entries will need to be dropped off at St Hilary's, along with the £2 entry fee, **by Monday 20 February**. Artists and their families will then be invited to a celebration exhibition at St Hilary's on **Tuesday 28 February, 6.00pm**. Have a look at the Art Competition information towards the end of the newsletter.

Finally, please read our full newsletter which has lots of information about upcoming FWS events.

Have a super weekend
Mrs Szczepanski

FRIENDS OF WITLEY SCHOOL PRESENT...

BREAK THE RULES DAY

FOR 1 DAY ONLY, HERE ARE THE RULES THAT CAN BE BROKEN...

- NO NON-UNIFORM TO BE WORN
- NO FANCY DRESS OR PJS
- NO CRAZY HAIR COLOURS OR STYLES
- NO SWEETS OR CHOCOLATE FOR SNACK*
- NO JUICE AS A DRINK
- NO MAKE UP OR FACE PAINT
- NO TEMPORARY TATTOOS
- NO NAIL VARNISH
- NO HATS IN CLASS

THURSDAY
**26TH
JAN**

50p
PER RULE
YOU BREAK

(*NO NUT BASED SNACKS PLEASE)

BE IMAGINATIVE - THE WILDER THE BETTER!

Cake raffle winners!

This week's winner is Kailen in Year 2.

Thank you to the Wilson Family for the amazing Pirate Ship cake! WOW!



Well done to the following children who are in our Gold Book this week:

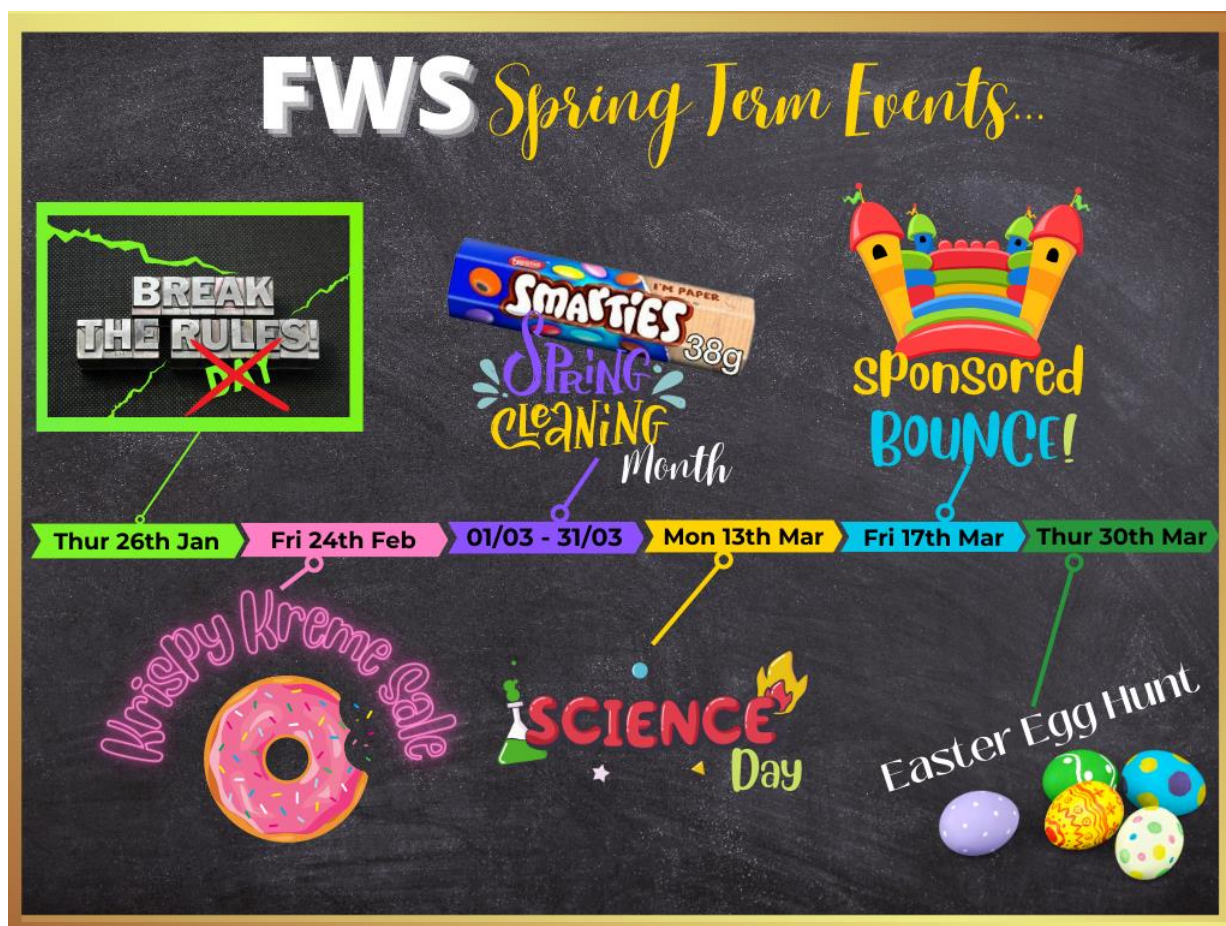
Reception: Jack and Raife

Year 1: Harry H and Harrison

Year 2: Ava and Maggie

The Head Teacher's Gold Book Award goes to Dilys this week.





SPRING TERM 2023



Monday 23rd January - Open Classrooms for parents/carers 2.45 – 3.30 pm

The Main Gate will be open

Wednesday 25th January – Pied Piper Theatre perform Burglar Bill at 2pm

Thursday 26th January – Break the Rules Day – FWS event

***Friday 10th February – INSET DAY 3**

Half term – Monday 13th – Friday 17th February



Monday 20th February – Start of term

Friday 24th February – Krispy Kreme Sale – FWS event

Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day - come dressed as a book character

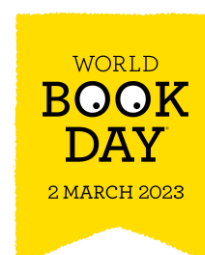
Monday 13th March – Science afternoon

Friday 17th March – Sponsored Bounce – FWS event

Tuesday 28th March - Parent/Carer consultations 1 pm – 6.30 pm in The Jubilee Hall

Thursday 30th March – Easter Egg Hunt

End of term - Friday 31st March – **EARLY FINISH 1.30 pm**



SUMMER TERM 2023

*Monday 17th April – INSET DAY 4

Start of term - Tuesday 18th April

Bank Holiday – Monday 1st May – school closed

Bank Holiday – Monday 8th May – school closed – King Charles III Coronation

WitStock event – Saturday 13th May



*Friday 26th May – INSET DAY 5

Half term – Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June

Wednesday 28th June - Class photos/siblings

End of term – Friday 21st July - **EARLY FINISH 1.30 pm**

We Need YOU! (but not for everything!)

Fancy helping out with just one thing, or trying your hand at project managing an FWS event?

We appreciate not everyone can help with every FWS event, but if we spread out the load we can get it done!

Here are 5 events happening between now and end July where we will really need some volunteers...

**TOO MANY COOKS
SPOIL THE BROTH –
UNLESS THEY'RE
VOLUNTEERS**



Any of these take your fancy? Please get in touch!
chairfws@yahoo.com

24th
Feb

Krispy Kreme Sale

Collect doughnuts from Guildford and hold the sale in the playground after school.

Min 2 volunteers required.

17th
Mar

Sponsored BOUNCE!

Help prepare sponsorship forms and certificate of completion, setup the mini bouncy castle and help host the event at school (afternoon).

Min 2 volunteers required.

Apr -
Jul

Fruity Friday

Every Friday morning during summer term collect 80 punnets of strawberries from Tuesley Farm. These are then sold in the playground after school that day.

Min 2 volunteers required.

15th
Apr

DIY DAY

Jobs TBC. We're aiming to get some painting, astroturfing & basic repair jobs done.

Min 1 volunteer required

15th
Jul

SUMMER SOCIAL

This is a biggy, but worth it! We'll need setup and clean up crew, and some folks to man the bar, BBQ and raffle stall.

Min 10 volunteers required.

By arrangement with Penguin Books Ltd, a Penguin Random House company,

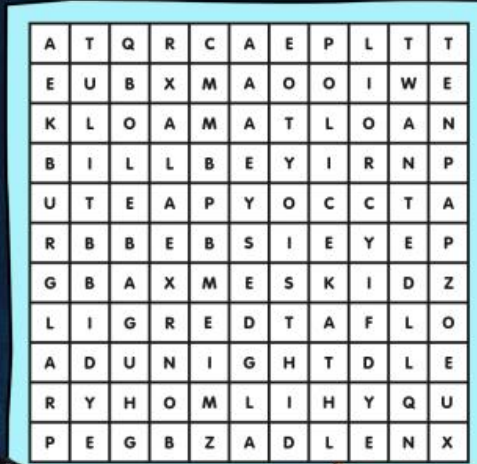
Janet & Allan Ahlberg's

Burglar Bill

Word Search

There are 8 hidden words to find in Burglar Bill's word search.

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burglar | <input type="checkbox"/> Night |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Betty | <input type="checkbox"/> Bill |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Police | <input type="checkbox"/> Baby |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cat | <input type="checkbox"/> Wanted |



Meet the actors...



Daniel Chrisostomou - Burglar Bill

Daniel trained in rep at the Fourth Monkey Theatre Company. An actor and physical theatre maker, Daniel has toured in multiple productions all over the world, including Germany, France and China in roles such as Malvolio and Shylock (White Horse Theatre). His first UK tour was in the role of Joseph Merrick in the 'Elephant Man' (Fourth Monkey) where he was **Offie nominated for Best Performer after he graduated.**

Daniel also has a martial arts background spanning over ten years before he started acting. This has led to training as a dancer and physical performer in many different styles of acting, including mime, puppetry and clown. He also has started pursuing a career in motion and performance capture.

Most recently he has toured with his company Flabbergast Theatre, as an associate member, in their Arts Council funded production of 'Macbeth' in the role of Macduff. He has appeared in the Ludlow Fringe and the Edinburgh Fringe Festival as well as many other venues across the UK.



Emily Chattle - Burglar Betty

Emily is an actor and singer based in York. She trained with Both Feet Actor Training and Clown Space.

Most of Emily's work revolves around children's theatre, championing young voices and bringing theatre to different communities.

She's very excited to bring the wonderful story of Burglar Bill to life, and to work on her first production with Pied Piper!

Most recent credits include:
Alice in Wonderland (Same Difference Arts),
I Can (Night Light Theatre), Green Shoots (York Theatre Royal), Around the World in 80 Days (Rusticus Arts).



Nick Ash - Stage Manager

Nick acts, stage manages and creates sets and puppets. He has his own production company scratchbuiltproductions.com which has been making theatre since 2006 and is an Associate Company of Proteus in Basingstoke.

Nick has been making puppets and acting with Pied Piper for several years and helped to create a new strand of work for babies and young toddlers 'DIG!' and 'BEACH'.

He made the puppets for the popular 'Sarah & Duck' tour from the television series, for 'Snowflakes' at Oxford Playhouse and for 'Garilla' at Polka Theatre.

Creative Team

Director - Tina Williams

Stage Manager & Puppet Maker - Nick Ash

Stage Manager for Lyric Hammersmith - George Ogilvie

Designer - Catherine Chapman

Movement - Angela Gasparetto

Music - Julian Butler

ART COMPETITION 2023

St Hilary's School is delighted to be hosting an art competition in conjunction with World Down Syndrome Day.

The competition is open to pupils aged 5-7 and 8-11 from all local schools. A **£2 entry fee** will be donated to World Down Syndrome Day.

Entries will be exhibited at the St Hilary's Celebration of Art Exhibition on **Tuesday 28 February, 6.00pm** to which you are warmly invited.

One piece of artwork per pupil on the theme of **Family** (any medium)



Artwork to be delivered to St Hilary's School by **Monday 20 February**, between 8.00am and 4.15pm together with the entrance fee. Pupil's name, address, school and year group should be clearly marked on the back. All work should be collected on **Friday 3 March**.



INFINITY
presents
ENCANTO
theatre workshop
13th - 15th February
9am - 3pm
Gosden House School
5 minutes from Guildford
to book or for more information please contact us on facebook, instagram or via email
infinityperformers@gmail.com

The poster features a blue background with green leaves and yellow stars. It includes the character Mirabel from the movie Encanto. The text is arranged in a central, eye-catching layout.