15th February Newsletter

SARRATT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Laying the foundations for our children to be confident, respectful and to achieve their full potential.

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Dear Parents and Carers.

This week was problem solving week at Sarratt School. On Monday morning, I walked into the year 6 classroom to see the children engaged in a debate about whether they would rather be a human-sized mouse or a mouse-sized human! Year 1 focused their problem solving skills around the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar; Year 2 used spaghetti and marshmallows to build solid structures and Year 5 were faced with the problem of making an absorbent space nappy for astronauts. Children were encouraged to think creatively, be resilient and work together to overcome even the trickiest of challenges – skills that will help prepare them for life in an everchanging world.

Next half term we have lots more to look forward to including: World Book Day, Science Week, Red Nose Day and the Riversmeet Music Festival.

We also look forward to joining up with Christ Church C of E Primary school to form The Chess Valley Learning Partnership. The partnership between our schools is going from strength to strength, and opportunities for collaborative work, at all levels, is enhancing practice across both schools. The date for conversion is now set to be on the 1st April, as all parties involved finalise the paperwork.

I hope you all have a fantastic half term and I look forward to seeing you on Monday 25th February.

Mrs Nicola O'Hare Head of School

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Events

February 25

School opens for spring term 2

February 25 and 26

Parent consultations

March 4

Dance workshops YR-Y4

March 7

World Book Day

Week beginning March 11

Science Week

March 15

Red Nose Day

Important information

Congratulations to Zoe Rodney, our fantastic catering manager, and her team who secured a score of 96% in a recent inspection. The grade puts our kitchen in the excellent category with standards equal to those expected of a training facility. Well done team!

Don't forget this year we will be dressing up for World Book Day as characters from our favourite books. Half term is a great chance for the children to start thinking of ideas – there's lots of inspiration online for costumes.

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SPA News

If you are planning an early spring clear out, remember we will be doing a Bags2School collection next half term. Bags will be distributed after the holidays and collected on 22nd March.

Sports Update

Well done to the Y3/4 gymnastics team who competed against local schools on Tuesday, coming 3rd place in the competition. The team wowed the audience with their control and synchronicity during their floor routines. Well done Sienna, Nell, Greta, Mathew, Haley and Ilanthe for all your hard work – and of course not forgetting Miss Hier too!

Well done to the cross country team, who represented the school at a competition held at York House School on Monday. We had a number of children placed including, despite being at least 3 years younger than his opponents, Tom in year 2.

Reception Open Morning

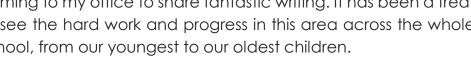
Thank you to everyone who came along on Thursday to our Reception Open Morning. This was an opportunity for our youngest children to share their learning journeys with family and friends. We had a great turn out and the children were delighted to show off their work. Thank you for your support, it really makes a difference.

Cornerstones

We've had some amazing Cornerstones homework projects handed in this half term – from models, to movies, to writing and not to forget an abundance of cakes in some year groups! Thank you for supporting and encouraging your child's learning at home. We hope you enjoyed it as much as the children!

Writing

Not a day has passed this week without at least 5 little visitors coming to my office to share fantastic writing. It has been a treat to see the hard work and progress in this area across the whole school, from our youngest to our oldest children.













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