



CLOSE ENCOUNTERS



WATCH OUT! THERE ARE ALIENS ABOUT!

It started out as a normal afternoon in Reception, but then something very peculiar happened. As the children went outside to start their learning, they discovered green slime. The children rushed back inside to tell everyone. Everyone stopped what they were doing and launched an investigation. How had the slime got there?

The clues didn't stop there though! Next to the gloop, there were huge footprints. The footprints led all the way round to the swimming pool, but then they suddenly stopped. Looking around, wondering why the footprints had disappeared, someone spotted something on the grass. It was a burnt circle. Was this a sign of a spaceship that could have landed? More footprints then led into the hall. Sneaking up the stairs, we discovered a very wonky rocket (it must have broken down). There was no sign of any aliens or a pilot. Keep your eyes peeled around school and report any new evidence of aliens to Reception.



SPARKFISH CHRISTMAS JOURNEY

Our Year 2 children went on a 'Christmas Journey' this week when they visited Redhill Methodist Church. Talking animals, eating bread, singing and a craft activity were just some of the events that the children enjoyed. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to experience the Christmas story through story telling, characterisation and celebration.



WATCH OUT, WATCH OUT! – IRON MAN ABOUT

This week, year three discovered a mysterious trail of metal items near the swimming pool and recorded the evidence. Then, Mr Fensom arrived as a witness and described how on Monday night, as he was locking up, he saw a huge, shadowy figure looming over the school. Quick-witted Mr Fensom, realising it was the Iron Man, threw his key chains towards the common to distract the Iron Man so that he could make his escape. We are hoping we've seen the last of the Iron Man!



LEARN WITH YOUR CHILD

Year 6 kick-started the first of our Learn With Your Child morning sessions this week. We have welcomed many parents and carers in to school to learn alongside their children in Years 6, 3, 2, 1 and Reception, focussing on Maths. Thank you for all your positive feedback—it's lovely to see so many of you supporting your children in class.

We look forward to welcoming parents and carers from Years 4 and 5 next week.



RANGERS REPORT

This week at Rangers the children have been whipping up some delicious chocolate mousses! Don't forget to join us next term, the dates go live on Wednesday 13th December at midday.



WHOLE SCHOOL VISIT TO ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH

The whole school will be walking down to St Matthew's Church on **Monday 18 December** for our annual Carol Service.

Although there is not the capacity to invite parents/carers to this service, we always rely on volunteers to help us with walking to and from the church so, if you are able help, we would be very grateful. Please let your child's teacher know as soon as possible—you would need to be available from 1pm.



CHRISTMAS EVENTS LETTER

Watch out for the Christmas Events letter that will be coming out at the beginning of next week!

ROBINSON'S RECOMMENDED READS

I know you all love reading and have your own favourite books. Here are a few more you might like to try; you can find them in the library.

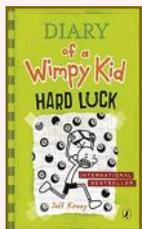


We all love the many stories written by Julia Donaldson. My favourite is 'A Squash and a Squeeze': what's yours?

"There are holes in the sky where the rain gets in; they're ever so small, that's why rain is thin."



The library stocks a huge range of poetry books: some funny, others to make you think. Have a look for yourself...



We have a new set of 'Wimpy Kid' books that have hit the shelves recently. Hurry, they won't be on the shelf for long!

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

If your child normally has a packed lunch and they would like to have a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 20th December, please complete and send back the request form, together with £2.25 (KS2 children) by Wednesday 6th December. Forms are available from the school office.



DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

- Mon 4th Last week of swimming this week, except for Y1 who will swim on Tues 11 Dec and catch-ups for 2E, 6R, 2M and 2ML (TBA)—normal swim times.
- Tues 5th Year 4 LWYC 09:00 - 10:00
Quiz Club Training (invited children only) 15:30 - 16:15
- Wed 6th Year 5 LWYC 09:00 - 10:00
- Fri 8th Mufti Day
Christmas Fayre 17:00—18:45

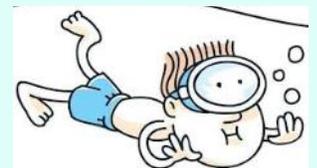


FLU IMMUNISATION REMINDER

The nasal flu immunisation session will be taking place on **Monday 11th December** for all children in **Reception to Year 4** inclusive. If you haven't already done so, please can you complete and return the consent form to the school office, even if you **do not** want your child to have the immunisation.

CATCH-UP SWIMMING

Next week is the last week of school swimming for this term with the exception of Year 1 who will have an extra swim on Monday 11th Dec as a catch-up from the INSET day earlier in the term.



Unfortunately swimming was cancelled yesterday for 2E and 6R, and today for 2M and 2ML, due to a problem with water levels—catch up sessions for those classes will be confirmed next week.

HONOUR BOOK



1VG	Harry Anderson Stanley Hollister	For his amazing effort during Maths with his number families. For using great vocabulary in his factual writing about the Nile crocodile.
1W	Hayley Brennan	For trying really hard to record independently all of the sounds in her words! Keep up the hard work, Hayley!
2E	Caitlin Owens Sophie Lane Sadie Maisonneuve	For her fantastic information writing about the Nile crocodile. For thinking of amazing similes when writing her dragon poetry. For thinking of fantastic vocabulary during reading workshop.
2M	Nina Davis Louis Adam-Vickery Muhammed Yavuz	For writing a very creative dragon poem. For putting lots of effort into making his handwriting neat. For putting lots of effort into reading workshop.
2ML	Edward Stock George Webb	For using fantastic description in his dragon poem. For excellent instruction writing. You've used lots of new vocabulary. Well done, George!
3R	Lola Adam	For completing a brilliant story. She found it tricky to start with, but persevered to the end. Well done, Lola!
	Saoirse Cosens	For excellent contribution and progress in French.
3W	Ben Francis Miley Richens Jack Bromham	For challenging his partner to use reasoning in Maths. Brilliant planning of a natural disaster story. For creating an imaginative volcano brain build.
4E	Henry Davey Emily Lukacova	For his wonderful enthusiasm in English when creating his own book. For her great attitude to learning and persevering in Maths when solving \times and \div problems.
4RW	Daisy Plowman Victor Burlacu Zachary Houghton	For perseverance and excellent editing when writing up her Lighthouse Story. For perseverance and excellent editing when writing up his Lighthouse Story. For working independently and effectively in English when re-writing an explanation text about electricity.
	Sophie Ellaby	For always helping others in Maths.
5B	Lucy Carter Carson Morley Thomas Roberts	For some fabulous descriptive language when writing her journey through the 'Wild Wood'. For consistently good behaviour, attitude to learning and participation in French. For great perseverance with long division. Well done, Thomas!
5M	Jamie Speck Oscar Rush-Kellett Spencer Whatley	For reading beautifully with his Reception buddy. For superb contribution and enthusiasm in French. For working exceptionally hard on long division. Well done, Spencer!
5W	Toby Burford Jack Buchanan Lillie Rerrie	For a very detailed drawing of Mole and Rat from Wind in the Willows. For superb achievement and progress in French on the topic of school subjects. An amazing story using fronted adverbials and relative clauses.
6B	Maisie Bawden-Smith	For enthusiastic and thoughtful contributions towards topic learning comparing evacuees and refugees.
	Arvo Steins	For amazing use of vocabulary to create atmosphere and mood.
	Carla Doneux	For super focus and effort for solving fractions calculations.
6C	Phoebe Taylor Maisie Kaye Owen Dewson	For enthusiasm and resilience during Maths and simplifying fractions. For working hard to find common denominators and adding and subtracting fractions. For some fantastic descriptive language when writing his WW2 recount.
6R	Bobby Lyons Tamar McLoughlin Ethan West Sami Qureshi	For his adventurous vocabulary in his recount. For cracking 'simplifying fractions'. Well done, Tamar! For his wonderful detail and description in his WW2 recount. For working in a focused and deliberate way to subtract fractions.

Well Done!

FRIENDS OF WRAY COMMON FUND RAISING

CHRISTMAS FAYRE 8th Dec 2017 5:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Thank you to everyone who supported us this morning by dressing in mufti and donating gifts for the Christmas Fayre. Don't forget, there is another Mufti Day next Friday and in return for wearing their 'own clothes', the children are being asked to bring in cakes for the cake stall as well as donations for the chocolate and bottle tombolas. Any books for the Book Stall will also be gratefully received. We desperately need volunteers to help next Friday morning from 8:30 a.m. to collect and sort donations and we also need volunteers to help set up and run the stalls during the evening. If you can give us at least half an hour of your time, we would be so grateful. Please contact Bernie Stevenson on 07958 728642 or leave your name with the school office.

