



St. Sampson's Church of England Primary School

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Thursday, 26th September 2019

We thoroughly enjoyed our visit from Apollo Birds of Prey last week. Our visitor made sure that all the children got to see the birds close up and the children had some fantastic questions for her. I hope that you got to see some of the photos on Twitter.

We have had another amazing visit this morning for the year 4/5 classes who got to go inside the large inflatable planetarium which was set up in the main hall today! It was certainly a very exciting addition to their science topic and brought the universe to life.

We've had a successful first week of clubs. It is great to see so many children taking part. We have some space for some more Year 5 & 6 children to join the lunchtime St Sampson's Singers with a view to performing at the Carol Concert at the end of term. Also, Year 6 parents will need to sign the parentmail consent form if they allow their child to sign up for weekly cross country runs each week as we will be leaving the school site.

Finally, well done to FS2 who are now coming in to school at 8:45 from the bottom playground!

Jennifer Bayne

Friends of St Sampson's Association (FSSA) AGM

Despite a very low turnout, the FSSA met yesterday and have put together a calendar of fundraising and events for the children organised for the year ahead. We were delighted to have made **£3,780.04** profit last year which will be put towards projects for the children in our school - more details to follow.

We desperately need someone to take on the role of Treasurer. If you are interested in what the role involves, please speak to me or Megan Harper (chair of the FSSA). If you think you can support the FSSA in any way, please also speak to Megan or myself.

School Council Representatives 2019/2020

Well done to these children who have been voted in by their classmates as the school council reps.

Kingfishers - **Jessica**

Puffins - **Freddie**

Woodpeckers - **Jasper**

2/3C - **Bessie**

2/3L - **Archie**

2/3S - **Tommy-Lee**

4/5O - **Eleanor**

4/5R - **Amelia**

4/5W - **Oliver**

6B - **James S**

6J - **Holly**

Executives - **Libby C & Charlotte**



Parent Interviews - Tuesday, 8th & Wednesday, 9th October

Parents' evening is a really important time for you to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress and learning in school and we would strongly encourage all parents to come along. It is also an opportunity for you to see some of your child's work which will be out in their classroom.

All parent interviews will take place in the halls, with meetings with 2/3L, 4/5 and Year 6 teachers in the Main Hall (Upper School) and FS2/1 and 2/3C & 2/3S teachers in the Dining Hall (Lower School).

Parent meetings are 10 minutes and we will do our very best to keep to time. We ask that you also try to support us with this and if you require a longer meeting to make a subsequent appointment.

Sign up sheets for Parent Interviews will be available in the school reception area from next Monday, 30th September. Please sign up here for an appointment time.

There will be no teacher led clubs after school on these days and 'The Travelling Book Fair' will also be open in the Upper School Entrance.

Jeans for Genes Day

Thank you for support this last Friday. I am pleased to say that we raised **£266.33** 😊



Guitar Success!

Well done to **Oliver T (6B)** who has passed his Grade 2 Electric guitar. Great work!



Harvest Festival

We will be going to St Sampson's Church on Wednesday, 9th October for our Harvest Festival. As is tradition, we will be asking the children to bring a food donation and this year we are very pleased to be supporting the new foodbank centre which is due to open in Cricklade this November.

Attached to this newsletter is a document detailing the set up and arrangements for the Cricklade foodbank. In addition, also attached is a list of desired produce for donations.



Supporting Cricklade

Uniform reminders

Thank you for your support with the following:

- Black school shoes
- No nail varnish to be worn in school
- Grey, white or black socks only (not patterned please)
- Matching school uniform coloured hair accessories only
- No jewellery to be worn in school except small stud earrings and a watch. No necklaces, bracelets or rings

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to speak to me or Mr Hill.