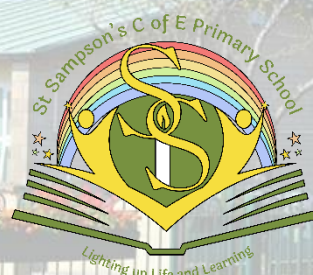




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Thursday, 24th March 2022

We have been really fortunate to have Mrs Wright and Mr Robinson working in our school on their placements since January. This is their last full week and I want to extend my thanks to them, particularly on behalf of 5O and 2T as well as wish them all the best in their teaching careers.

On Friday, 1st April - a week tomorrow - we will be having an RE Day across our school where we will be looking at Christianity across the world. Each year group will focus on a different country and look at practices and traditions as well as similarities and differences in worship and culture.

You will have read the Parentmails regarding the Upper School Easter Egg challenge and the Lower School Easter Bonnet parade at the end of term. The Upper School Easter Eggs will be out in the library for you to admire during parents' evening.

Jennifer Bayne

Comic Relief Red Nose Day - Thank you

We enjoyed wearing our own outfits last Friday - there was lots of red, a few whacky hair styles and some super fancy dress. We raised a brilliant £670.82 from selling red noses & from donations for this worthy cause. Thank you.



Big Walk and Wheel - 21st March - 1st April

We are part way through this year's Big Walk and Wheel. Well done to everyone who has made the extra effort to walk, cycle or scoot to school. We have been fortunate with the weather! Please keep efforts up as all the journeys are being totalled together.



St Sampson's Stars!

A big well done to all our stars of the week - Lighting up Life and Learning ©

Bees - Noah & Rayan

Butterflies - Cade & Harper

1A - Mason & Eliza

1CS - Coco & Alfie

2H - Tabi & Eve

2T- Sofia & Holly

3/4C - Viola & Freddy

3/4L - Eddie & Alfie

3/4R - Poppy & Jacob

5O - Lucian & Archie

5S - Freddie & Benjy

6B - Ayra & Michael

6J- Oliver & Tom



Book token reminder

If you haven't spent your World Book Day token yet, you only have a few days left! They can be used until Sunday 27th March 2022. Remember that these can either be used to buy a World Book Day £1 book, or to get £1 off any other book of your choice.

Mrs James



Sign Up Sheets for Parent' Evening

These will be available in the main school Reception area from Monday morning, Please sign up for an appointment time. You can either choose to have your meeting face to face in school or via Zoom. If you choose the latter, your child's class teacher will send you a link nearer the time.

If you are unable to come in to school to sign up, please phone the office and a member of the office team will sign up on your behalf. However, please do not do this until after 9:30am on Monday morning as this is a busy time for us. Thank you.

The sign-up sheets will be out all week, so please don't worry if you are unable to come in on Monday.

All parent consultations last 9 minutes. In person meetings will take place in the hall and you will be able to see a selection of your child's work out in their classroom.

Fundraising for Ukraine

Eleanor (Year 6) will be selling her Ukrainian Flag badges that she has made after school tomorrow for a minimum donation of £1. All donations will go to the DEC.



Guitar lessons

Roberto, the peripatetic guitar teacher who works in our school on a Wednesday, has some spaces for new pupils. If your child is in Y2 or above and you are interested, please speak with the office for more details.



Scouts Charity Car Wash

2nd Cricklade Scouts are organising a car wash with Cricklade Fire Service to raise funds for the DEC Ukraine Appeal and the Fire Fighters Charity.

Please bring your car on Saturday 2nd April, 9am - 1pm to Cricklade Fire Station for a super clean, hot drinks and cakes available.

Graham Otter



Netball Match Report - St Sampson's v Longleaze

On Tuesday, 15th March, St Sampson's played a home match versus Longleaze.

Playing a match after two years is challenging and this fixture proved it! Having not been able to play a netball match due to COVID19, many students, not only from our school, have been yearning for that opportunity to play. This excitement definitely was what made this match so memorable - players were coursing with adrenaline and those watching from the sidelines were supporting their teammates by chanting, dancing and cheering. I think everybody can agree that this spurred everybody on to play an amazing match (emphasis on amazing).

St Sampson's were playing against Longleaze in what spiralled out to be a nail-biting playoff. In the first quarter, Longleaze managed to score a flabbergasting two goals in the first four-minute burst: this meant that we had to ensure we scored at least three goals in the next three quarters to claim a triumphant, well-earned victory.

In the second quarter, we were encouraged to not only score those all-important goals but to enjoy ourselves as, for many of us, this was our first match. Then, ACTION! All of the players were racing for an opportunity to either score, defend or/and attack. Within moments, everybody was cheering after Eleanor scored a goal, elevating the chances for us for a joyful victory - we were all elated! At this point, I'm sure many people were crossing their fingers for another opportunity to bring us back into the game. It was either that or the adroit skill of Eleanor again as she scored a consecutive goal! HOORAYYYY!

The penultimate quarter was now in play and everybody was spectating carefully as, any team in this scenario, could score a winning goal. However, nevertheless, no one managed to score - the outcome of this fixture was in the hands of the players in the next four-minute burst!

Soon, the final quarter rolled in of which we propelled our chances of victory to its towering pinnacle! In the first minute or so, Lacie-Mae scored an astounding goal, of which, it hurled us into the lead - this was great considering we were officially winning! A few moments later, Lacie was in possession of the ball again and had another opportunity to score - the twist was the fact that she was farther than the most convenient place for shooting. Apprehensively, many craned their necks to her as she prepared to shoot and then... HOORAY! She managed to score an incredible goal - we had officially won!

In conclusion, this match was definitely one we'll never forget! After claiming triumph, we were all elated and applauded each other's extreme efforts. We congratulated our opponents and awarded 'Player of the Match' to Judith (from SSP) and Kate (from Longleaze).

All in all, this has been a fantastic experience! Therefore, thanks should go to the following: Coach Lou, for being her awesome umpiring ;The opponents' coaches for bringing Longleaze to the match and spectating & Mr Smith, for encouraging and organising it!

What an amazing fixture this has been and well done to all those playing, spectating and coaching/umpiring!

Overall score: 4-2



Arya (6B)