

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Please have a read through our latest news and all the exciting things happening at The Mill.

Goodbye and Thank You

Goodbye, thank you and good luck to Miss Smith! We wish her all the very best as she plans to set up her own 'Mini School' home school in Horsham. Miss Smith has worked hard over her (almost!) four years with us to ensure all of the children in her care not only make great academic progress but also learn about the wider world, as she is a passionate advocate for sustainability. She has been running the Earth Heroes club and team, and she leaves behind some talented pupils who will no doubt follow in her footsteps! Thank you Miss Smith, we will all miss you, please keep in touch. There will be a supply teacher taking care of van Gogh up to Summer term, and we are waiting for confirmation from the agency.

Another goodbye...after 27 years of dedication to the school to Mrs Lane, our School Business Manager, is leaving. She started when The Mill was Ifield Middle school as a teaching assistant and has worked in different roles until becoming Business Manager. She has brought so much care, fun and laughter to our school and we just wouldn't be the same place without her. She is retiring early to spend time with her wonderful family, and we also congratulate her on being Mother of the Bride at Easter! Goodbye Mrs Lane, don't forget us! Thank you for everything. And visit us as much as you can!



PTA Spring Disco

On Thursday 12th May 2022 the PTA will be hosting a Spring Disco at The Mill. The times for the year groups are:



Reception/EYFS 1.30 – 2.30pm
(Children will be taken to the disco, collection at normal time)

Years 1, 2 & 3 2.50 – 4.00pm
(Children will be taken to the disco, collection at 4.00pm)

Years 4, 5 & 6 4.15 – 5.30pm
(Children have to be collected as normal and return to school at 4.15pm for the disco, collection at 5.30pm)

If you wish for your child to attend, a ticket must be purchased from the PTA by emailing pta@themill-tkat.org. Many thanks.

After School Clubs – Summer Term

Bookings for the After School Clubs in the Summer Term will open at 6.30pm today, a text message has been scheduled. On the club overview you will receive, please click on each club's name to book. Spaces are allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Nut Allergies

As we have several children with severe nut allergies in school (incl. airborne allergies), we can not allow any products containing nuts for snack or lunch to be brought to school. This includes all chocolate products that contain nuts. Many thanks for your support in keeping our children safe.

Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Red Nose Day page, to date we have raised £277. If you wish to donate, the link remains active via [JustGiving](https://www.justgiving.com/RedNoseDay2022). Thank you very much!

Online Safety

As a parent or carer, the best tool to support your child in leading a happy and safe life online is to have regular and open conversations. Below is a link to the Think u know website. It has lots of support for parents and carers including some home activity packs to support online safety at home. Please also see this [Apple Parental Control Guide](https://www.apple.com/parental-control/) to further support families with online safety at home.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents>

Free Rugby Camp

Crawley RFC will once again be running a free Rugby Camp for children aged between 6 and 12 during the Easter Holidays. Please find the flyer with information on how to book [here](#).

Homework Hero

This week's Homework Hero is Noah from Moore class in Year 4. In Science Year 4 have been learning all about electricity and how to build a circuit. Noah has built his own circuit, using different equipment to power a fan or a lightbulb. Excellent work!

Kind Regards



Sophie Gosden
Headteacher



Makaton in Early Years

Every week we will now share our Makaton signing with you! Makaton is amazing and the children all enjoy joining in with signs to support their words. Here is the link to this week's Makaton sign '[Singing](#)'. We are currently learning [this song](#). You can revisit previous signing on our [website](#).

Forever Proud

On Fridays, each class nominates their 'Forever Proud' award winner who is announced in our whole school assembly and will receive their badge and certificate to take home. This week's winners are:

Year R Kandinsky Ziane M

Year R Matisse Lenny-James H

Year R Picasso Jayce J

Year 1 Hepworth Aria L

Year 1 Hockney Joshua A

Year 1 Monet Alex K

Year 2 Goldsworthy Elsa C

Year 2 O'Keeffe Emily C

Year 2 Lichtenstein Amir L

Year 3 Mondrian Valerio M

Year 3 Cezanne Maicyn G

Year 3 Hokusai Fleur B

Year 4 Kahlo Fletcher P

Year 4 Moore Sam C

Year 5 van Gogh Thomas P

Year 5 Egonu Ava C

Year 5 Rousseau Imogen C

Year 6 Riley Khloe B

Year 6 da Vinci Haddy C

Year 6 Turner Hayden C



Attendance Cup Winners

Congratulations to this week's winners, our Year 1 classes had the highest attendance. Well done everyone!



Diary Dates

Easter Break

Monday 11th April until Friday 22nd April 2022, back to school on Monday 25th April 2022.

May Bank Holiday

Monday 2nd May 2022

PTA Spring Disco

Thursday 12th May 2022

Please email pta@themill-tkat.org for bookings.

Half Term Break

Monday 30th May until Friday 3rd June 2022, back to school on Monday 7th June 2022.

PTA Father's Day Sale

Friday 17th June 2022



Important – Change to last day of Summer Term

Please note that due to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee an additional day of summer holidays has been instated by TKAT on Friday 22nd July. This will move our planned inset day to Thursday 21st July. **The last day of school will now be Wednesday 20th July 2022.**

