



Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

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

Fire Brigade Visits

In the past two weeks, our Reception and Year 2 classes had visits from West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service. The children got to check out real fire engines, were allowed to operate the hose and were taught about fire safety through a special child friendly presentation and a poem. Please click here for the [FireWise leaflet](#), a guide for parents regarding fire safety.



Polite Reminder – Ifield Mayfayre

The annual [Ifield Mayfayre](#) with stalls and entertainment at Ifield Barn Theatre will be held on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May from 11.30am to 4.00pm. The May Queen Parade leaves at St Margaret's School at 11.00am making its way through Ifield for the opening of the fayre at Ifield Barn Theatre at 11.30am. Our very own Maypole and Choir Clubs will also be part of the parade and will later perform during the festivities. Please come along for a fun day and support this local event.

Forever Proud Choir

A huge thank you to our PTA for buying these beautiful hoodies for our school choir! The children wear them very proudly and we can't wait to show them off during the Mayfayre on Monday.



Open Mornings & Afternoons

Please see the schedule below. We look forward to seeing you.

KS1 (Years 1 & 2)

Open Morning (8.30 - 8.50): Wednesday 8th May 2024

KS2 (Years 3 to 6)

Open Morning (8.30 - 8.50): Tuesday 21st May 2024

Important – Bicycles and Scooters

We appreciate all children who are actively travelling to school on their bikes and scooters. For the safety of everyone, please ensure that these are dismounted to enter the school gates and remain pushed at all times while on the school grounds. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Learning Without Walls

This week in LWW we had a great opportunity to have an impromptu jam session with Charlie, a new guitar teacher and the children around the campfire. We sang Believe, with the children singing really clearly, we had great fun.



New Guitar Teacher

We have the opportunity of a new guitar teacher available to offer music lessons to our KS2 children. Earlier this week, the children had the opportunity to meet him in an assembly. You can find details about lessons in [this letter](#). If you would like your child to receive a taster lesson before signing up please email office@themill-tkat.org to be added to waiting list.

Strut Safe

Strut Safe is a free UK-wide phone line you can reach on 0333 335 0026. If you're walking alone, their volunteers will be a friendly voice to keep you company and help you feel safe until you are through the door. The service is available Fridays & Saturdays: 7pm-3am and Sundays: 7pm-1am.

Carnival Festival School Dinner

We will be having a special Carnival Festival Menu on Thursday 16th May for our summer census day, please [click here](#) for the details. Please make sure you pre-book by 8am on the day if you wish for your child to have a hot dinner on the day. Many thanks.

Important – School Dinner Bookings

Polite reminder to ensure that all school dinners are pre-booked through our SchoolGateway app by 8am on the day that you wish your child to have a school dinner. You will be able to book for several weeks in advance through the app. Teachers are not be able to book these in the classrooms anymore. Many thanks.

Chelsea May Half Term Soccer School

Chelsea FC will be running a Soccer School for children aged 5 to 12 during the half term break at Thomas Bennett Community College. For further information and to book your child's space please click [here](#).

Kind Regards



Sophie Gosden
Headteacher

Makaton in Early Years

Every week, we will now share our Makaton signing with you.

This week's signing is: [Superhero](#)

We are signing the song: [Forever Proud Song - Sky Full of Stars](#)

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	Mikaeel Z
Year R Matisse	Reggie Wh
Year R Picasso	Sophie P
Year 1 Hepworth	Malick J
Year 1 Monet	Annaiah A
Year 1 Hockney	Liam B
Year 2 Goldsworthy	Elisabeth F
Year 2 Lichtenstein	Jack W
Year 2 O'Keeffe	Muhammed C
Year 3 Hokusai	Melanie C
Year 3 Cezanne	Oscar B
Year 3 Mondrian	Izyan M
Year 4 Kahlo	Willow B
Year 4 Moore	Harper S
Year 4 Miro	Bradley C
Year 5 Rousseau	Joshua F
Year 5 Egonu	Adana O
Year 5 van Gogh	Marilyn H
Year 6 da Vinci	Mia-Grace T
Year 6 Riley	Riley W
Learning Without Walls	Isaac A
Reading - Book Winners	Dylan T, Jenson M, Amberly I – and Riley class won a new book for their reading corner.



Attendance Cup Winners

Congratulations to this week's winners, our Year 4 classes had the highest attendance.

Well done everyone!



Diary Dates

May Bank Holiday

Monday 6th May 2024

Class Photos & Year 6 Leavers Photos

Monday 20th May 2024

May Half Term

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024

The Mill Holiday Sports Camp

Booking information to follow closer to the time.

Tuesday 28th to Wednesday 29th May 2024

Inset Day

Monday 3rd June 2024

PTA Father's Day Sale

Thursday 13th June 2024

Sports Week 2024

w/c 17th June 2024 – First details can be found [here](#).

Summer Holidays

Wednesday 24th July to Friday 30th August 2024

The Mill Holiday Sports Camp

Booking information to follow closer to the time.

Wednesday 24th to Friday 26th July 2024

Wednesday 28th to Friday 30th August 2024

