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Dear Parents and Carers,

We might be reaching the end of the school year, but things continue to move at an incredibly fast pace at St Bart's. In the last 10 days we've had success at KS2 confederation sports with one of our teams coming 3rd and the other coming 1st. Then on Saturday, the school choir sang a set of Whyte Horses numbers on the main stage at the Fringe Festival to a huge and very supportive audience. We've enjoyed a fantastic musical evening with two hours of non-stop musical performances from children of all ages and from some of the staff too. Our Year 6 pupils have performed their end of year production "Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies" which was highly entertaining with excellent acting, singing and humour throughout. Finally, I can confirm that academically our end of phase outcomes are absolutely brilliant with EYFS achieving **79%** good level of development (70.7% nationally in 2017). Year 1 achieved an **88%** pass rate in the phonics screening test (81% nationally in 2017) and Year 2 achieved **79%** in reading, **78%** in writing and **88%** in maths which are all above last year's national averages. Finally, Year 6 have absolutely triumphed achieving a **74%** pass rate for reading, writing and maths combined which is a **whopping 10% higher** than this year's national average which has already been released. In addition to this, **26%** of our Year 6 cohort achieved a combined greater depth standard in reading, writing and maths which is **17% higher than last year's national average**. Well done to all the children and staff and thank you to all parents and carers for their support. This is a school to be very proud of.

EYFS

The children have loved the under the sea topic this week and learnt all sorts of interesting facts about sea creatures. They have used information books and Google to find out answers to their questions, drawn and painted some super artwork, made headbands, learnt songs and have even made a giant yellow submarine! The trip to Blue Reef should prove to be a fantastic conclusion to the topic. Our last week together will be full of reminiscing about their time in Reception and looking forward to the future. We have thoroughly loved working with the children this year; watching them grow and develop and turn into wonderfully confident and independent people. Thank you very much for all your support.



KS1

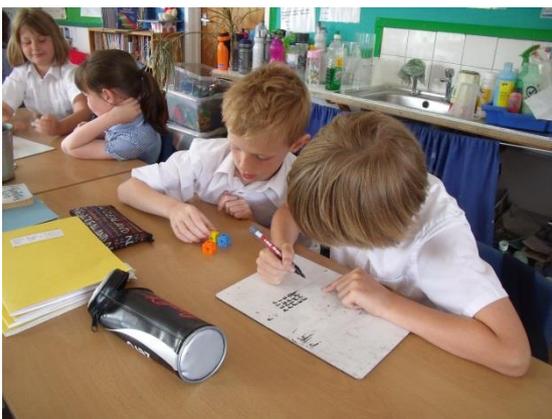
A tired but enthusiastic year one have followed on from their successful trip to Arundel Castle last Friday by presenting facts about castles in a variety of different ways, some even invented castle board games! We have been busy in Science completing the four seasons with our Summer walk and both classes then demonstrated their awareness of differences over the seasons by compiling bar charts of sunlight hours and showing what trees look like for each season. We have spent time this week exploring Christian churches and their key features inside and outside, which meant both classes looked at St Bart's church very differently! A very hardworking year group are now looking

forward to their last week in year one. This week Year 2 have been focusing on spelling and grammar and challenging ourselves with spelling team games and quizzes. We have finished off our dragon writing, learnt about how Christians worship, made up our own songs for worship with instruments, played problem solving games in maths and shared all of our brilliant castle projects! Thank you for all of the support you gave your children in completing this homework challenge. The results were astounding and your children had such fun working with you on their creations. Next week please could all children bring two named bags to school on Monday as we will be collecting their work to send home. It has been a very rewarding year. We can't believe it has come to an end. We are so proud of each and every one of our super children. They have worked so hard and been so resilient. We wish you all a wonderful summer. Keep reading, write about your adventures and play lots of maths games. We have loved our time together and shall miss you! Come back ready to start a new adventure in KS2!



LKS2

In LKS2, the year 3 writing focus has been based around a short film about a robot called Tabula Rasa. The children have written a recount of the robot's last day on the planet and this week are writing to persuade people to visit the planet. In maths, year 3 have started a unit on statistics. The children have collected their own data and are now learning how to put it into accurate bar charts. In science, they are learning how water travels up the stem of plants using coloured water and white flowers. In year 4, the children have been writing to persuade the Brazilian ambassador to do more to stop the illegal logging of his country's magnificent rain forest. The focus in maths has been on problem solving and this has included trying to solve the Winnie the Pooh bench problem – how many different ways can Pooh, Piglet, Eeyore and Tigger sit on a bench? What if Christopher Robin joins them – how many ways now? In science, the focus has been on the processes of evaporation and condensation with the hot weather being perfect to demonstrate evaporation from puddles. Both year groups have also produced some fantastic works of art for the Haslemere Fringe event. Brazil class created psychedelic lions whilst Peru made lion mosaics. USA painted portraits of themselves as lions whilst Chile class used mixed media to create fabulously colourful pictures of festival flags. Hopefully, many of you saw these on display at the Fringe Festival last weekend.



UKS2

It's been a fantastic fortnight in years 5 and 6. Year 5 have been designing bridges to support weight and have begun to build and test them. In English they are writing playscripts influenced by the work that they have done on detective stories. This week they have also been learning how to meditate and have been doing yoga sessions with Mrs Rix. For Year 6, though they have been approaching the end of their time at primary school, there has been no let up on a range of engaging activities. The year 6 production - the sophisticated classic: Robin Hood and Sherwood Hoodies - has been performed with great joy, skill and confidence to the school and parents alike.

If you are a year 6 parent and haven't seen it yet there will be another showing tonight (Friday 13th July). It's not just been the children's acting talents that have been on show but their entrepreneurial skills with two successful business enterprise sales of a variety of products and services. The children have easily managed to pay for their treat, a laser tag day, next Tuesday. We're also very proud of the year 6 children as they have done really well in their SATs. The school got a score of 74% of children getting combined expected or above levels in reading, writing and maths. This compares to a national average of 64%. Well done!



CONFEDERATION AND DISTRICT SPORTS

As mentioned above, we had a fantastic day at Confederation Sports last week. We also competed in District Sports this week and came 4th overall. Well done to all the children who took part and thank you to Mr Moore for his encouragement and excellent coaching.



HIAWATHA

Thank you to Drama Club who performed a very moving and challenging production of Hiawatha to the school and to their parents. Mr and Mrs Lynch are extremely proud of your dedication, outstanding talent and discipline. We wish our Year 6 club members who have been with us many years much luck and hope they will continue to develop their talent in their future education.

SHOPPING BAGS AT THE READY!

We are delighted to let you know that you can help us raise money towards an Outdoor Classroom in the Wildlife Garden through the 'Tesco Bags of Help' project. Our project, along with two others, will go forward to a final vote in Tesco stores, where customers will decide the outcome by voting with blue tokens each time they shop. This is a straightforward 'who has the most tokens?' contest between the three projects. The project with the highest number of votes will receive £4,000, second place will receive £2,000 and third place will receive £1,000. Voting for our Outdoor Classroom project will take place from **Sunday 1st July to Friday 31st August 2018**. Please help support us by voting with your blue tokens at both the **Haslemere Tesco Superstore GU27 1LD** and the **Midhurst North Street Tesco Express Store GU29 9DH**. Happy shopping!



HASLEMERE FOOD BANK

Please see below the current requests from Haslemere Food Bank, along with thanks for the donations already received from St Bartholomew's. There is a collection box in the reception area if you wish to donate. They currently require (all non perishables please):-

Tinned Spaghetti/Pasta
Tinned Potatoes
Couscous or Noodles
Tinned Meat

Packets of Soup
Drinking chocolate
Small packets of sugar
Tinned Tomatoes

Tinned Fruit
Oats
Puddings
Instant Coffee

Long-Life Milk
Toilet Rolls
Shampoo
Soap

They would also be very grateful for donations of **carrier bags** to aid distribution. No other items are required at present. Thank you for your continued support.

OUTSTANDING TRIP AND LUNCH PAYMENTS

Please make sure all outstanding lunch and trip payments are made by **Wednesday 18th July** so that we may finalise all our accounts. Thank you.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

School lunches will cost £2.30 per day, or £11.50 per week from September. If you require a lunch for your child, please advise the school office by 9.30am on the day. School lunches should be paid for using the online system, or by cheque (payable to Surrey County Council) or cash. **Please ensure payment is made as soon as possible.** (Pupils in Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2 qualify for a universal free school meal and therefore payment is not required). Please note that for Years 3-6 we will return in September to Menu 3. A copy of which is attached with this email.

First half term - £73.60

Second half term - £87.40

Total for Autumn Term - £161.00

Please ensure that you have made your payments for this year if you have not done so already. Please note that Surrey Commercial Services will be increasing the cost of a school lunch to £2.30 per day (£11.50 per week) with effect from September.

Yours faithfully,

C. D. Beckerson

Charles Beckerson
HEADTEACHER