

# Sark School Herald

**A Little School with Big Ambitions**

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK...

You can't go back and change the beginning but you can start where you are and change the ending (C. S. Lewis).



## Diary Dates

05/10: Countryfile Ramble at 10.30am, starting at the Island Hall

05/10: BBC Children in Need Coffee Morning at 11.30am, Sanctuary Centre

06/10: United Pet Service at 3pm, St Peter's Church

13/10: Sark Watch Litter Pick at 11am, starting at the School

15/10: Parent Forum, 4.30pm-5.30pm

18/10: Last day of half-term

04/11: School returns

16/11: School Jumble Sale

22/11: Open Morning, 8.45am-10.45pm

05/12: Parent Forum, 8.30am-9.30pm

## Head of School's Welcome

It's been another one of those busy weeks in school. As the leaves fall and the wind picks up, there has been the first whiff of colds hitting staff and pupils alike. Without further ado, let's find out what we've all been up to this week at Sark School...

## School Uniform

We are pleased to announce that the Sark Yacht Club have kindly offered to fund two polo shirts and two jumpers for every pupil in school. We are over the moon with this wonderful donation and would like to take this opportunity to thank the Sark Yacht Club for their very generous donation to the school. We will be hosting a formal handing over of the cheque in the coming weeks so please do keep your eyes peeled for the photos. This fantastic piece of news now means that we can aim to raise sufficient funds to provide charcoal grey trousers,

shorts and skirts to our pupils through our own internal funding drives. Once again, on behalf of all at school, thank you so much to everyone involved in the Sark Yacht Club!

## **Swimming**

Unfortunately, today marked the final day that we are able to offer swimming lessons to our pupils. The pool is now closed for the winter but we would like to thank the Magell family for allowing us to use their pool so that our pupils can undertake timetabled swimming classes. The lessons have undoubtedly been a huge success and we hope to be able to offer swimming once again when the weather improves. Thank you, Alex and Helen!

## **Snacks at Breaktime**

We have spent some of our assembly time this week talking about the benefits of living a healthy lifestyle. Indeed, one key aim for us at school is to promote a healthy and active lifestyle amongst our pupils. As part of this, we have been looking in our assemblies at how we can all lead a healthier life, focussing on the importance of regular exercise, a balanced diet and mindfulness. To this end, we are introducing an initiative which we know will have a positive impact on the health of our pupils. From Monday, children may only have a piece of fruit for their break-time snack; crisps, chocolate or any other kind of food will no longer be allowed.

## **Church Services**

Many thanks to all who came to support our pupils at the Harvest Festival Service last Sunday. Both Mia and Robin from Class Two read beautifully and confidently at the service—thank you to both for volunteering! The Roberts clan also left with plenty of bags filled with lots of delicious produce from the harvest auction! Some school children are also involved in the Pet Service this weekend, on Sunday 6 October, which is taking place at St Peter's at 3pm. Please do come along to support the children if you are around.

## **Countryfile Ramble and Coffee Morning**

Please do not forget that the Countryfile Ramble and Coffee Morning are taking place tomorrow, Saturday 5 October, to raise money for BBC Children in Need. The Ramble is meeting at 10.30am at the Island Hall and will finish with the coffee and cake sale at the Sanctuary Centre, which begins at 11.30am. Looking forward to seeing you there and well done to Harry and his family for organising this event for such a worthwhile cause.



## Around the Classrooms

A weekly round-up of what we've been getting up to in our lessons...

### Class One

This week in Class One has been all about superheroes, led by a small group of girls the children's role play has focussed very much on superheroes and their super powers. The children have engaged in extended play with elaborate storylines and have each considered the personalities of their characters as they have played. They have painted their heroes and have written character descriptions to match. Maths has focussed around addition and telling number stories and in science activities we have continued to explore our senses.

### Class Two

This week in Class Two, the children learnt about how to structure a biography by looking at the life and work of Florence Nightingale. We also looked at the similarities and differences between the lives of Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Pauline Cafferkey. In Maths, we worked on our estimating skills and looked at how we can write numbers as both numerals and words. In our topic work, we focussed on the different seas and oceans that surround the UK. We also spent Friday focussing on the topic of Autumn. The children wrote acrostic poems about the season and then made some seasonal artwork, which included hand-art witches, foot-art ghosts and leaf lions.

### Class Three

This week in Class Three, the children have created internal monologues and drafted discussion texts in writing. We have looked at how to use different types of connectives effectively and at how to change the order of clauses in sentences. The children have also had a look at extremely short stories (three paragraphs long in some cases!) to see how we can structure our narrative writing more effectively. In maths, the children have continued with their work on interpreting pie charts and had a go at creating their own. They have also explored what cube and square numbers are, how to use factors of numbers to problem solve and at how to order numbers with two and three decimal places. Outside of maths and literacy, the children have continued their topic on World War 1, looking at the causes of the conflict and at some of the technological advances that were made during it. They also began to look at how the map of Europe changed as a result of the war. Some children in the class have also looked at the causes of WW2 and have attempted to draw comparisons between the two, looking at how one may have made the other more likely.



## A 'Pic' of the Best





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To arrange a meeting with the Head of School, please email [admin@sarkschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@sarkschool.co.uk).  
Alternatively, please feel free to drop-in to School any day between 8.00am and 8.15am.

## SOCIAL MEDIA...

You can see full galleries of this week's action on our Instagram feeds: **@sarkschool**.  
Don't forget to like and follow the pages so you never miss out!

