

SHF NEWS

Monday 28th April 2025



Inspire, Believe, Achieve

Headteacher's News

Sir Henry Fermor enables everyone to succeed; as Jesus teaches through the parable of The Lost Sheep: no one is left behind. **Inspiring** children and adults, **believing** in God at the heart of all we do, through Christ's love and guidance; all in the Sir Henry Fermor family flourish, **achieving** fullness.

Welcome to the Summer Term! We hope the first short week of our shortest term went well for you all, although our thoughts have been with the **Catholic community** following the death of Pope Francis.

In just 4 days, we have jam-packed in lots of important learning, from **Year 5's** excitement **making butter**, through celebrating **St George's Day** and acknowledging the small bits we can do for the environment when recognising **World Earth Day**. Key Stage 2 have now started to eat packed lunches outside, when it is dry, and I am hugely impressed with the respect they have shown to keep the playground tidy and enable those around them to continue playing their games. Keep it up!



At the end of last term we shared the exciting news that Mrs Fielder will be leaving for maternity in Term 6. It gives me great pleasure to announce that **Mrs Piper** (Deputy SENDCo) will be our Head of Inclusion during

this interim period. She is a familiar face for the whole school community so we are very pleased to welcome her in this role.

Don't forget we have our **first church service** of the term on Wednesday, led by Year 1. Please come straight to All Saints Church at 8.45am.

Enjoy the warmer weather we are expecting this week!

Safeguarding

Operation Encompass

Here at Sir Henry Fermor, we have signed up to be a part of Operation Encompass. As a school, we are normally notified by email if there has been a domestic incident at a child's home and Police attended. We do not talk to the children about Operation Encompass referral, unless we have been directed to.

As part of our safeguarding procedures, we inform staff in our safeguarding briefings on a Monday morning, before school, if we have received an Operation Encompass. This is to ensure that all staff are aware of particular children who may need time to talk. We don't notify parents and carers when we receive an Operation Encompass, however, if you are experiencing a really challenging time and would like some support, one of our DSL team would be more than happy to have a confidential conversation with you. Please just email dsl@fermorschool.org.uk to request a phone call/meeting.



Key Dates

Wednesday 30th April
Year 1 leading service at All Saints Church 8.45am

Monday 5th May
BANK HOLIDAY

Wednesday 7th May
KS2 Swimming Gala 12.30pm

Thursday 8th May
VE Day 80 years - wear red, white and blue

Friday 9th May
Staff and Parent Prayers
8.20-8.30am

Monday 12th May – Thursday 15th May
YEAR 6 KS2 SATS WEEK

Friday 16th May
FOFS Dress Down Day—
summer theme (toy/bottle donations)

Monday 19th May
Year 5 Viking Day

Wednesday 21st May
National Numeracy Day
EYFS leading service at All Saints Church

Thursday 22nd May
Professional Group Photos
Year 6 Heatree parent information talk 6pm

Friday 23rd May
Staff and Parent Prayers
8.20-8.30am
Last day of Term 5.

Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May
Half Term

Monday 2nd June
First day of Term 6

Monday 2nd June – Friday 13th June
YEAR 4 MULTIPLICATION CHECK

Tuesday 3rd June
Year 3 trip to Wakehurst Place

Thursday 5th June
FOFS Summer Disco

Friday 6th June
Founders Day Service at All Saints Church 8.45am
1.30pm Initial safeguarding training for new volunteers

Monday 9th June – Friday 13th June
YEAR 1 PHONICS CHECK

Friday 13th June
Staff and Parent Prayers
8.20-8.30am

All term dates are available on our [website](http://www.fermorschool.org).



Uniform

Well done to Kyle in 5M who received the **Uniform Unicorn** this week for setting the high standard of wearing smart uniform. See the [website](#) for more information.

Attendance

Congratulations to **4M** for their attendance of 98.8% this week.

Well done to the following classes who achieved over 96% attendance:

6F (97.1%), **4WG** (96.9%), **2C** (96.6%), **6F** (96.6%), **1R** (96.4%) and **3B** (96.2%).



Gold Book

Well done for your fantastic learning:

1P: Remi for use of a time adverbial (and comma) when writing about 'The shoemaker and the elves.'

2C: Isla for writing a fantastic suspense story with carefully chosen vocabulary.

5M: Joab for excellent vocabulary choices to make his story more interesting;

Kyle for his use of a dictionary to extend the range of vocabulary used.

6F: Jesse for the variety of punctuation included in his biography.

6JP: Cody-Jay for a factual and accurately presented biography.

Theme of the Month: Respect

'So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the law and the prophets.' Matthew 7:12

Respecting Oneself

It is so important to teach children to value their own worth and to set healthy boundaries for themselves. We need to encourage children to speak up for themselves in a respectful way. At Fermor we constantly teach and remind the children to 'use their words' to resolve conflict. As teachers, parents and carers, children learn by copying us, so by modelling resolving conflict through conversation, teaches children to do so too.

It's also important to model respectful behaviour as a parent or teacher. Children learn best through example, so when they see us treating others with kindness, empathy and consideration in our interactions with them, it helps children to internalize this value and make it a part of their daily lives.

Incorporating these strategies into your interactions with children can help them to develop a strong foundation of respect that will serve them well throughout their lives.

Subject in the Spotlight: Maths

We are so proud of our children as they build in confidence when articulating our **mastery approach** to mathematics. Each objective within a unit of work is split into **5 stages** to ensure children have opportunities to master the content and are exposed to application through reasoning. These are the stages so that you can also be familiar when discussing learning with your child:

Show (red): Practical approach using manipulatives to explore concrete, visual and abstract concepts.

Do (yellow): Fluency. Opportunity to practise and rehearse.

Think (green): This is the stage for children to show they have mastered a concept. They may consider odd one out options, or complete 'convince me' style questions.

Explain (purple): The last two stages show working at a deeper level on the objective. Children need to apply their maths knowledge to perhaps explain why a calculation or statement is incorrect, or teach a concept in a comic-book style.

Solve (blue): The final stage is an open-ended investigation, game or could be a SATs style question.

In Other News...

- **Footpath**

It was disappointing that so many parents, carers and children needed to be extra vigilant on the footpath this week due to the amount of dog mess deposited along the length of the path. Should you see anything that needs reporting, please use this [link](#) to direct your concerns to the local council.

- **Warm and Sunny Weather**

As summer approaches, we ask that children bring in a named cap/hat. This is essential for when children are able to access the field, although time in the shaded wooded area will also be provided. Please apply any sun cream prior to the start of the school day.

- **Charity Football Match**

Danny Lawrence and his JBFC team are hosting a charity football match against Simla FC on Saturday 10th May. Kick off is at 1.30pm at JBFC.

They are raising money for cancer research - a wonderful charity close to many of our hearts. It will be a real family fun day for all, with a bar, BBQ, bouncy castle and mini pitch set up for the younger children.

Donation and information available on the QR Code on the poster.



Friends of Fermor



How lovely to see the sun shining for the summer term as we prepare for our **vintage summer fair on Saturday 28th June!**

Thank you all for supporting our chick and egg sale before the Easter break, and of course thank you to the talented Mrs Oram. The sale raised an impressive £182!

Thanks also to those who have been supporting us in **Crowborough Tesco's Blue Token scheme**. We are raising funds for outdoor seating. The scheme runs to the end of June, and the more tokens we collect, the higher the grant, so if you - or friends and family - shop in Crowborough Tesco, please make sure you pick up your blue token at the checkout and vote for us.

Our first **summer dress down day is coming up on Friday 16th May**. Children are invited to wear summer outfits (no open toe shoes or beachwear though please!) in exchange for a donation for our tombolas:

Early Years and Key Stage 1 - Toy donation

Key Stage 2 - Bottle donation



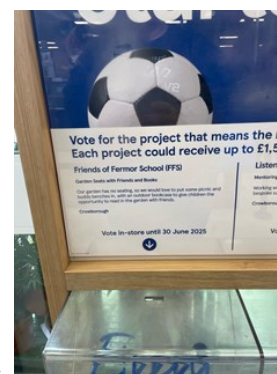
The next dress down day will be a **pyjama day on Friday 27th June**, when we will be collecting hamper donations - watch this space for this year's themes!

We also have a **disco** coming up on **Thursday 5th June** - more details coming soon!

Finally, we are still collecting prizes for our ever-popular summer raffle, which will be drawn at the fair. **If you, or your employer, would like to donate a prize, please drop us an**

email.

The FOFS Team



Teaching and Learning: Photo Gallery

