



From Our Head Teacher

Dear parents and carers,

As we enter July, we draw towards the end of the school year. For many families, end-of-term events, goodbyes, changes of routine and the summer holidays ahead can bring a mixture of excitement, tiredness and anticipation. Our children may be looking back on all they have learned, while also preparing for a different pace over the summer weeks to come.

This next week, the gospel centres on Jesus' invitation to come to Him for true rest. We are encouraged to bring our worries, concerns and tiredness to Jesus. Drawing on this theme, with your child/ren, you may also like to...

- Talk about why rest is important, especially at the end of a busy school year.*
- Spend one quiet minute together, resting your bodies and minds.*
- Ask if there is anything making them feel worried or weighed down.*
- Think of one way your family could make someone else's burden lighter this next week.*

I wanted to express my gratitude to you all for the support you've shown this past month. I really enjoyed our sports day, it is a day that I look forward to every year. Having the whole school community out on the playing field and the seeing you all enjoy the picnic lunch, getting time to chat with other families is wonderful.

We celebrated mass for the children who recently took their First Holy Communion. Thank you to those who attended and to all the parents who have supported their children taking this important sacrament.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Summer Fayre this afternoon!

With best wishes,

Mr Lynch



Dear Parents and Carers,

It is almost the end of the academic year, and you are probably planning some activities for the entire family.

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAK) programme is now open for Summer 2026. It is open to the families who receive certain benefits, so please do check their website:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20260623HAFsummer>

If you click on the link at the bottom of the page (HAK booking page), it will open a new tab and you will be able to see a selection of activities.

There are also some really interesting looking events which you can book on Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/hart-and-rushmoor-events-306809>

For now, we would like to wish you a quiet and restful weekend!

SEND Team

Breakfast and After School Club

The Breakfast Club and After School Club are open from Monday to Friday term time only. Mrs Dias, Mrs Bennet and Miss Rai run the clubs and there are many activities, games and themed days to enjoy.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club opens from 8:00 am.

The cost per session is £3.50, all payments need to be done via Arbor. You do not need to book for Breakfast Club.

After School Club

After School Club will operate from 3:20pm to 6:00pm. The cost per booking is £10.00, however you can collect your child anytime between 3:20pm and 6:00pm, snacks are served at 4:30pm

Please book Arbor in advance, the cut off for booking is 48 hours. If you cancel within 24 hours you will incur the cost. We are still able to take Ad Hoc bookings.

Please note late collection fees are £5.00 plus £5.00 per 5 minutes after 6:00pm.



Thank you for working with us in ensuring your children are in school. We will regularly be reviewing the children's attendance and contacting parents where we are concerned .

Please note that no holiday during term time will be authorised. Holiday dates have been published on our website so please do book family breaks during this time.

We know that for some children, worries can make attending school tricky. Please do contact us if your child is worried about anything, especially school related, so we can offer support and resolve any issues.

Well done to Parks Class for their June Attendance

	June	2026
Class	Attendance %	Lateness %
Shakespeare	95.0	1.16
Seacole	94.65	3.11
Anning	92.76	2.24
Parks	99.27	0.4
Einstein	92.1	1.0
Armstrong	95.17	1.25
Mandela	94.69	0.94

Shakespeare Class

Another busy month in Year R! Shakespeare class has been looking at animals and were very lucky to get a visit from 'Jeff the tortoise'. They found out about how to care for a tortoise and were able to give Jeff a gentle stroke on his shell.

School Games day was a popular event and the children were so enthusiastic and engaged. As they prepare for their move into year 1 we are currently completing simple assessments and we are so proud of the progress that they have made over this year.



Art

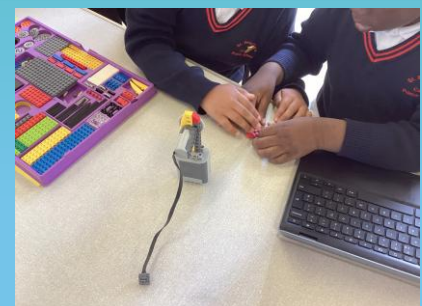


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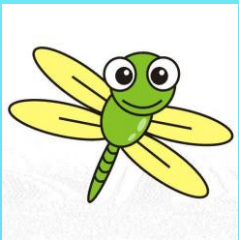
Venus shared her wonderful interpretation of 'portraits' – a Year 5 Painting and Mixed Media unit as part of Art and Design. She explained how she used different ways of representing her portrait and how the words she incorporated reflected her personality.

School Activities

Its been a busy few weeks in school with lots going on. VR Headsets were a huge success and enjoyed by KS2. The STEM days were enjoyed so much by everyone, the children got very creative. And Year 3 did the most amazing job of building their castles from cardboard boxes.



Bug Hotel



Lucas in Year 4 has made the most amazing bug hotel with his Dad. They used lots of different materials and kindly donated it to St Bernadette's and Mrs Gould's gardens.

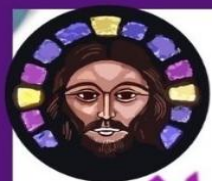
Would you like to make a bug hotel or house over the summer holidays for your own garden? Below are some guidelines and a link to the Woodland Trust for more guidance.

What materials do you need to build a bug hotel?

You can make an inviting bug house using materials recycled from your home or garden, along with natural items that replicate wild habitats.

- Wooden pallets – untreated wood is safer for wildlife.
- Old bricks, plant pots and roof tiles.
- Logs, twigs and fallen branches.
- Hollow plant stems or bamboo canes.
- Pieces of bark.
- Dry fallen leaves.
- Pine cones.
- Rocks and pebbles.
- Straw or hay.

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2026/02/how-to-make-a-bug-hotel/>



Look - Listen - Choose - Act

PARISH SUMMER CAMP

2026



ACTIVITIES

- Scavenger Hunt ●
- Outdoor Games ●
- Play Water Games ●
- Movie: Avatar - Fire and Ash ●
- Educational Nature Walk ●

23-26 JULY 2026
YEAR 7 - YEAR 9

9.30am - 4.00pm



OLSD

Our Lady of Lourdes + St Dominic Savio

Registration £50

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5th June
2026

Charism Character Awards

Year R Shakespeare Mrs Matthews & Mrs Dickinson	Devan	For demonstrating compassion to others – showing awareness of others feelings.
Year 1 Seacole Mrs Grier & Mrs Lowdon	Hughie	For demonstrating compassion, being a good playground.
Year 2 Anning Mrs Ripley	Victoria	For demonstrating compassion to all of her friends and always persevering with her learning.
Year 3 Ms McCue	Annalise	For demonstrating perseverance with both her learning and behaviour, her hard work and thoughtfulness are shining through. Well done.
Year 5 Miss Huggins	Daniel	For demonstrating perseverance. He has worked really hard to brush off negative emotions and stay amazingly positive.
Year 6 Miss Parkinson & Miss Ryan	Munopa	For demonstrating perseverance in all aspect of life – from learning in the classroom to showing resilience when talking about secondary school transition!



5th June
2026

Mission Maker Award

Year R Shakespeare Mrs Matthews & Mrs Dickinson	Noah	For demonstrating the passion to learn – challenging himself in Maths and enjoying the exploration of number.
Year 1 Seacole Mrs Grier & Mrs Lowdon	Gabrielle	For demonstrating the passion to learn in English writing her own story.
Year 2 Anning Mrs Ripley	Alex	For demonstrating the passion to learn by always coming into school with a smile and positive attitude.
Year 3 Ms McCue	Hannah	For demonstrating the passion to learn by always giving 100% and wanting to push herself in all of her lessons. Well done.
Year 5 Miss Huggins	Abi	For demonstrating the passion to learn. She has worked really hard in English and produced a brilliant non chronological report about her plant.
Year 6 Miss Parkinson & Miss Ryan	Elliot	For demonstrating the passion to learn in science when sharing facts about evolution and inheritance and always asking questions to deepen your understanding!



12th June
2026

Charism Character Awards

Year R Shakespeare Mrs Matthews & Mrs Dickinson	Emer	For demonstrating courage- being brave to 'have a go' in her phonics- she is so much more confident now!
Year 1 Seacole Mrs Grier & Mrs Lowdon	Poppy-Mae	For demonstrating the strength to love at her time at St Bernadette's, we will miss you so very much!
Year 2 Anning Mrs Ripley	John	For demonstrating compassion towards others, being helpful and always being polite and respectful.
Year 3 Ms McCue	Emmanuel	For demonstrating perseverance during DT. He found constructing a castle a little bit tricky but he kept trying, and with support from his peers he did it!
Year 4 Mrs Coatzee	Dominic	For demonstrating perseverance to learn by showing enthusiasm and engagement in every lesson.
	Aoife	For demonstrating compassion, always so helpful and kind to her friends.
Year 5 Miss Huggins	Thea	For demonstrating courage in her learning. She has been putting her hand up to share her fabulous ideas more frequently.
Year 6 Miss Parkinson & Miss Ryan	Emer	For demonstrating courage- being brave to 'have a go' in her phonics- she is so much more confident now!



12th June
2026

Mission Maker Award

Year R Shakespeare Mrs Matthews & Mrs Dickinson	Curtis	For demonstrating our School Mission over the last few weeks- completing all his tasks, working hard to practise his name writing, coping when things don't go as he would like and generally being a lovely member of the class, choosing to play with his friends more in class. Well done Curtis, we are so proud of you!
Year 1 Seacole Mrs Grier & Mrs Lowdon	Freya R	For demonstrating courage, Freya has worked very hard on her handwriting and has not given up!
Year 2 Anning Mrs Ripley	Drey	For demonstrating he passion to learn with his handwriting. Taking his time to focus on presentation.
Year 3 Ms McCue	James	For demonstrating the passion to love. James is lively and fun and always finds time to help his friends. Thank you.
Year 4 Mrs Coatzee	Jan	For demonstrating the passion to learn this week – trying his best in all lessons.
	Florence	For demonstrating the passion to learn in all subjects and for always having a positive cheery attitude to her work.
Year 5 Miss Huggins	Evie	For demonstrating the passion to learn always. She always strives for success and puts her everything into her work.
Year 6 Miss Parkinson & Miss Ryan	Curtis	For demonstrating our School Mission over the last few weeks- completing all his tasks, working hard to practise his name writing, coping when things don't go as he would like and generally being a lovely member of the class, choosing to play with his friends more in class. Well done Curtis, we are so proud of you!



3rd July
2026

Charism Character Awards

Year R Shakespeare Mrs Matthews & Mrs Dickinson	Aviraj	For demonstrating perseverance in your learning- working hard to practise your phonics, reading and writing.
Year 1 Seacole Mrs Grier & Mrs Lowdon	Freya R	For demonstrating perseverance with her RE learning this week/
Year 2 Anning Mrs Ripley	Dwyane	For demonstrating perseverance with his maths and English this week
Year 3 Ms McCue	Stanley	For demonstrating compassion by always being ready to help others in the class. Thank you for showing others how to use a data logger in science
Year 4 Mrs Coatzee	Layla	For demonstrating perseverance in all aspects of school life and trying hard when things are tricky.
Year 5 Miss Huggins	Ruby	For demonstrating perseverance across all subjects at school. She is always willing to learn from her mistakes, this has particularly paid off in maths recently!
Year 6 Miss Parkinson & Miss Ryan	Emily	For demonstrating courage whenever we discuss our year 7 transition, supporting people with their worries and sharing all your knowledge about senior school!



3rd July
2026

Mission Maker Award

Year R Shakespeare Mrs Matthews & Mrs Dickinson	Eleanor	For demonstrating a passion to learn- Making great strides in your reading this year.
Year 1 Seacole Mrs Grier & Mrs Lowdon	Shreenika	For demonstrating the passion to learn in all areas of the curriculum.
Year 2 Anning Mrs Ripley	Zachary	For demonstrating the strength to love, he is a kind and thoughtful friend to his peers.
Year 3 Ms McCue	Ailbhe	For demonstrating the passion to learn. Your enthusiasm during our science lesson was wonderful. Well done.
Year 4 Mrs Coatzee	Raphael	For demonstrating our mission statement, by always showing a passion to learn, courage to try new things and love others around him.
Year 5 Miss Huggins	Venus	For demonstrating the passion to learn. She is always focused on her learning and works very hard across all subjects.
Year 6 Miss Parkinson & Miss Ryan	Kieran	For demonstrating the whole mission statement recently, showing his independence and responsibility ready for All Hallows!

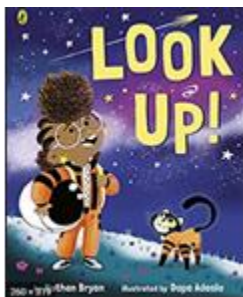
Author of the Month June

Nathan Bryon



Nathan Bryon is an award-winning writer and actor who has written for BAFTA award-winning children's TV shows, such as Swashbuckle and Apple Tree House and critically-acclaimed Rastamouse. A rising star in the world of screenwriting, his animated series, Afro Kid, is currently under option. Look Up! is his debut picture book for children.

Books by this author:



Websites for this author:

<https://candidcocoa.blogspot.com/2020/08/author-fact-file-nathan-bryon.html>

Click in the link to listen to Nathan read the story, Look Up! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oSkihS5mm-c>

Author of the Month July

Dan Freedman



Dan Freedman is the author of the phenomenally popular Jamie Johnson series (titles include Born to Play, The Kick Off, Golden Goal) and the standalone novel, Unstoppable. The Jamie Johnson books have been adapted for TV by the BBC and been broadcast all over the world. Dan talks openly about his journey from being a reluctant reader at school to becoming a football writer and travelling to two World Cups as the England Team's official journalist. His book Unstoppable is a heart stopping thriller about sporty 14-year-old twins Kaine and Roxy.

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