



ST JUDE'S C OF E SCHOOLS FEDERATION NEWSLETTER



DATE: 22/07/2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have melted our way through the final half-term of the year and what super stars the children have been! Managing this level of heat has not been easy and I admire the way in which the whole school community has come together, hosed the children down, had P.E. lesson inside, coped with last minute timetable adjustments and still been able to continue learning. Thank you to parents too, for bearing with us through the changes of event dates and still arriving en masse to support the children at sports days, swimming galas and sharing mornings.

I would like to say a huge well done to the children who have taken statutory assessments this term; Reception (although they won't have realised they were being assessed!), Yr 1 (phonics), Year 4 (MTC) and Year 6 (SATs). We have some results that we are very pleased with and hope that the children are too.

But life isn't only about attainment in the academic sense; we have seen some amazing talent on the stage, out on the sports field and in the pool. Along with this, some of the children have shared trophies and medals from their interests beyond school in music, dance, football, gymnastics and even mini-marathon running,

As we say good bye to our Year 6 pupils and to those from other year groups who are moving on to pastures new, we wish them all the very best and hope that the values that St Jude's has instilled in them are carried through their lives, so that their compassion and respect remain at the heart of their character. Have a wonderful summer, everybody.



Best wishes, Mrs Chiverton



Congratulations to everyone on reaching the end of another school year! It's been a long and busy time and everyone in our schools' community deserves a very happy Summer break. Whether you'll be on Vacation or Stay-cation, please stay safe and enjoy.

Of course, during the last few weeks, football, as well as school, has kept some of us busy! It was great to see our namesake, Jude Bellingham, doing so well once again. "Jude" has become a name recognised across the world! I wonder what our very own Saint Jude would think?!

*Perhaps the name of Josh Kerr isn't quite so well known. But, for many months, whilst football has played on, and awards and trophies have been won and lost, Josh Kerr has been quietly working towards an enormous challenge of his own. In the middle of July, he achieved his "goal", although not in the back of the net! Josh Kerr successfully ran a mile in a lightning-**quick** three minutes 42.66 seconds, breaking the previous record, set by a Moroccan runner 27 years ago, by half a second.*

Josh had achieved his dream! And in doing so he demonstrated at least two of our school values – perseverance and hope. He is a real encouragement to everyone who works quietly and hard, believing that what sometimes seems impossible can really come true.

And I am privileged to see that happening in our schools. Children and adults, pupils and families, staff and governors, working hard to do their very best. That's what makes St Jude's Schools Federation so special. That, and the fact that we are inspired by St Jude, who worked so hard at all he did. He left us the example of his faith, and his belief that, however challenging life can be, God is there to give us hope and to help us persevere.

A new adventure begins for all of us in September! And all of us will have new opportunities to pursue our goals. Thank you for everything you have achieved this year. Happy holiday! God be with you in all that lies ahead.

God bless you all

Judith, the Vicar

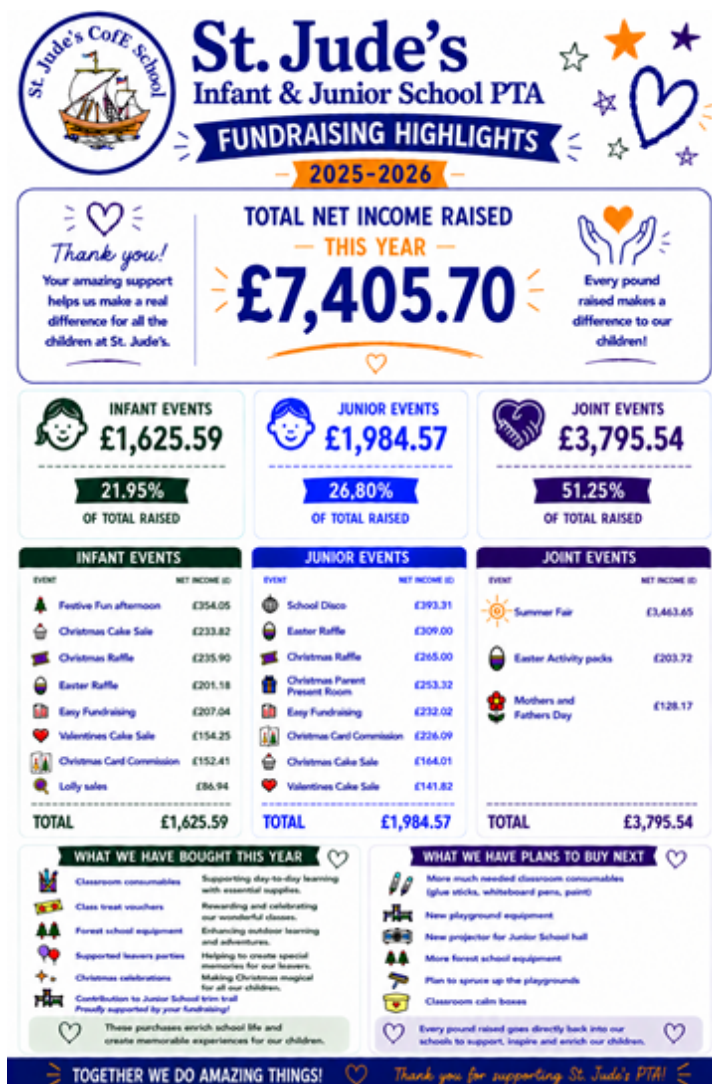


Cranbourne were victorious at the Juniors

Red Team won the day at the Infants



Windsor were triumphant at the swimming gala!



ATTENDANCE

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21

days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court

- 2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.*
- 3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, **per parent/carer per child**, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.*

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

WHAT THE INFANTS HAVE BEEN UP TO.....

Nursery's topic this half term has been Big Wide World. The children have learned that our country is called England and that there are other countries in the world. They've shared some stories of their holidays and learned a bit about some other places in the world including India and Antarctica. We've also played camping and ice-cream shops in the garden and enjoyed lots of water play to keep cool in the heat.



Reception ended their topic of Wonderful Waves with a water fight. The children and adults had equal fun squirting each other!"



Armstrong Class enjoyed trying some South African foods during international week!



Year 2 Parks were very kindly invited to visit Bishopsgate to use their climbing wall. Despite some nerves they were able to show what Persevering Penguins they were and all had a go climbing! Some of them were even brave enough to reach the top. A huge thank you to Mrs Parrish for arranging this for us, we had a wonderful morning.



WHAT THE JUNIORS HAVE BEEN UP TO.....

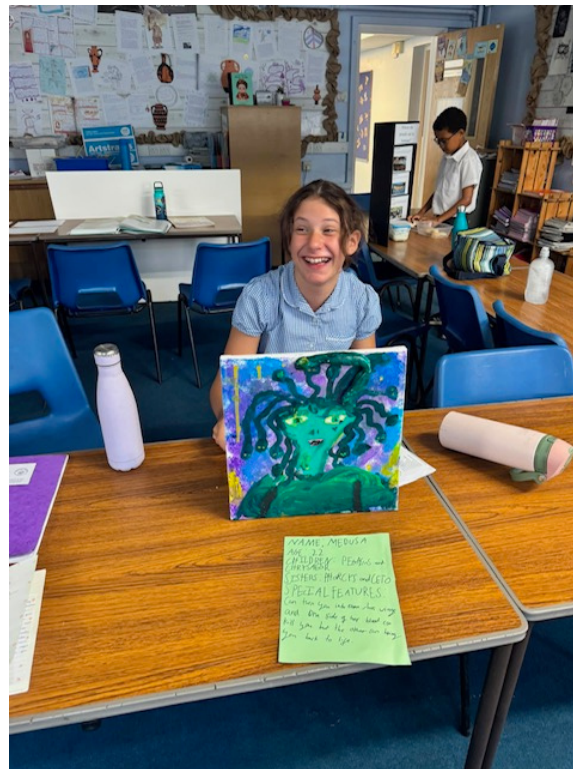
Lower school made Greenhouses in DT. They started with Prototypes made from wine gums and cocktail sticks before moving on to the real thing with wood and bubble wrap!



Upper school have been very busy! Firstly, enjoying an enrichment day at Magna Carta school where they took part in a number of different activities.



Then hosting an exhibition of all their fabulous Greek projects.



Then staging the amazing production of Wind in the Willows.





Family Gardening Day: growing food and flowers, craft , lunch included

- ▶ **Wednesday 12th August 10 am.-1pm.**
- ▶ The Hub, Englefield Green, 57, Larchwood Drive, TW20 0SL
- ▶ Children must be accompanied by an adult
- ▶ **Booking required** please contact
- ▶ lindajemmett@aol.com
- ▶ Suggested Voluntary donation £1.50 per person





Join us on a pirate adventure!

Christchurch will be sailing across the seas on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the 26th, 27th, and 28th August, from 10am to 12.30pm. The club is open to any primary school age child. *Landlubbers* is based around the story of Paul and looks at how God is with him even when things get difficult (like a shipwreck!) There will be games, crafts, songs, lots of fun and also chance to learn more about Jesus and what he did for us.

We would like to invite your child to come along, but because places are limited, you will need to book in advance. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. There will be a nominal charge of just £5 per day. If you are unable to pay, please don't worry, still book your child onto the Holiday Club and the church will be more than happy to cover the cost.

Please register and pay through the church website or use the QR code below.

<https://www.cc-vw.org/events>

If you have any queries, please email jeremy@cc-vw.org

We look forward to seeing your child at *Landlubbers*.



Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

Proverbs 22:6



Dear God,

Give me the wisdom to navigate the path ahead and the strength to face any challenges.
Guide my steps, calm my anxieties, and fill my heart with hope for the year to come.

Amen.