



Year 3 08.05.26

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week in Y3 the children have been comparing mass using the vocabulary 'heavier' 'lighter' and 'balanced.' In English the children have been planning and writing newspaper reports based on a volcanic eruption in Farnham! In Geography we explored the benefits and limitations of living next to a volcano.

Friday 15th May 3:15pm - International Food Bake Sale - The EDI (Equality, Diversity & Inclusion)

Committee would love to celebrate all of the diverse cultures we have within our St Polycarp's family by hosting a bake sale of lots of yummy international food... but they need your help! If you would like to make/bake and donate food (sweet or savoury) for their international bake sale please bring it to the office on Friday 15th May (there will be tables set up.



If it needs to be refrigerated, then please bring it direct to the bake sale from 3:10pm). The bake sale will take place on **Friday 15th May** from **3:15pm** on the **KS1 playground**. Please bring **cash** only. All proceeds will be donated to 'Challenges' (<https://disability-challengers.org/>), a charity that gives disabled children and young people the opportunity to play, have fun, and make friends in a safe and supportive environment. Thank you so much for your support!

KEY DATES

Saturday 16th May: Cross Country Race

Friday 22nd May – Marian Celebration 9.45

Friday 22nd May Y3 Choral Day at St Josephs in Guildford to arrive for 1pm – Please complete permission. If you are arranging for another parent to pick up and take your child to the event, then you must email the school office with specific instructions for this. Thank you

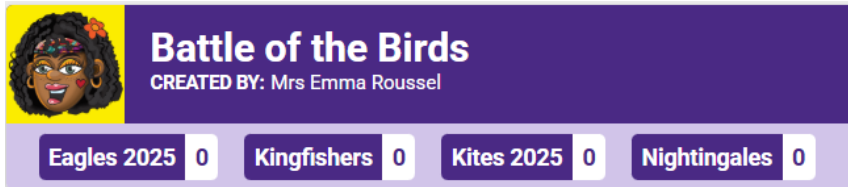
Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May – Half Term

Ordering lunches – Please ensure your child's lunch has been ordered on School Grid before they come to school. It can be very unsettling for your child if they do not have a lunch preordered. If you have any issues with this, please contact the school office. Thank you

Times table books – Please ensure your child has their times table book in school each week. This is used as a running record of how your child is progressing with their times tables. Thank you

Times Table Rock Stars

This week we are battling Kites and Eagles in Y6!. Year 3 are taking on the big guys and are on the path to WIN that extra trim trail time next week! 6 minutes of slammin' times table practise from every child should win it for the class! GOOD LUCK YEAR 3!



Battle of the Birds
CREATED BY: Mrs Emma Roussel

Eagles 2025	0	Kingfishers	0	Kites 2025	0	Nightingales	0
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Praying the Rosary in the Month of May

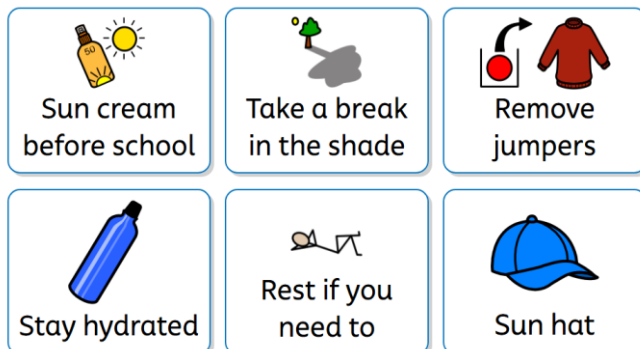
Year 5 Spiritual Council will be leading the Rosary each breacktime in the Spiritual Area. If your child has their own Rosary beads and would like to join Spiritual Council, they are welcome to bring them in. Spiritual council will also have spare Rosary beads.

Earrings

A gentle reminder that any earrings worn in school must be small studs.

Warmer weather and playtimes

Here are a few reminders to talk through with your child. We have talked about these in school too.



School uniform

Long hair should be tied back with a plain band. Any hair bands should be school colours or black and simple without extra embellishments. If you are unsure then please see your child's teacher or refer to the uniform list on the school website.

Homework expectations

Wow! We have been so impressed with the completion of homework in Year 3 this week. Thank you for your continued support with this. It makes a huge difference to your child's confidence. Lots of proud Kingfishers and Nightingales in class this week!

St Polycarp's Polyphonics Choir

If your child is in the choir for Summer Term, they can rehearse using the following link:
<https://www.eemusicclass.co.uk/shared/N70Fqk9XP1AkzT6K> Clicking on the link will take you to a



page showing icons for our three songs. Click on the icon of your choice and then use the interactive content – lyrics to rehearse with words on screen function. To sing without lyrics and voices, use the audio – accompaniment function.

Our first performance of the term is on Saturday the 20th June at the Summer Fayre, at 11.30am.

Optional Maths challenge:

3b. Sort the calculations and symbols to create two comparison statements.

The challenge consists of six boxes arranged in two rows. The top row contains: 1. A box with 1 ten rod and 3 one units followed by $\div 2$. 2. A box with 6 ten rods followed by $\div 5$. 3. A box with a greater-than symbol (>). The bottom row contains: 1. A box with 3 ten rods followed by $\div 2$. 2. A box with an equals symbol (=). 3. A box with 4 ten rods and 3 one units followed by $\div 3$.

<p>Spellings – tested on Friday</p> <p>teacher, stretcher, dispatcher, catcher, butcher, richer, scorcher, preacher, cruncher, watcher</p>	<p>Maths.co.uk - Complete by Friday</p> 
<p>Times tables – tested on Friday</p> <p>At least 6 minutes a week on TTRS</p> 	<p>Reading – 15 minutes a day</p> <p>Renaissance</p> <p>Find the link to AR here. Please complete at least one Accelerated Reader quiz per week (dependent on the size of the book).</p>

Handwriting videos for you to practise at home – these link to what we practise in school

Handwriting

Please feel free to scan the QR code to access a handwriting video that has been covered in class.



KS2 DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY RACE

KS2 children are all invited to represent the school at the District Schools' Cross-Country meet in Farnham Park on Saturday 16th May 2026

To sign your child up please use the following link: <https://forms.office.com/e/xfF18b005t>

They will be racing for approximately **2000 metres**. The race will be in a **clockwise direction** unless conditions cause a change to the direction. Note the course is hilly and can be muddy.

There will be a KS2 boys race at 10:00am followed by a KS2 girls' race at 10:20am.

If your child requires medication such as an inhaler, it is the parent or responsible adults' duty to carry it, not the schools'. Please note that First Aiders will be there to provide first aid if there should be an emergency and will be situated near the event 'operations' table. **Every child must come with a responsible adult who stays at the event until the child is finished.**

We do not time the children but give them a position number as they pass the finish line. The idea at each race is to do as well as they can and try to beat their personal best position. Parents are welcome to watch the races. Once you child has raced, **please do not collect your child directly from inside the running funnel.**

There will be medals awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each race. There are also cups for the best boy's school team performance and the best girls' school team performance. In addition, the Bell cup is awarded for the school scoring the most overall points. The point system is based on our top six finishing positions in each race.

Registration and Gathering Area:

The schools will register the children at the bottom of the park just up from the Bear Lane/Park Row entrance to the park. (Bear Lane/Park Row entrance GU9 7LF) Go into the park, from the bottom entrance, over the stile and meet St. Polycarp's staff on the left hand side where they will register your children. (Just left of the path and adventure playground)

PARKING

Parents must park in the town car parks and walk to the registration point. Please find a map attached. **Please do not park on the roads adjacent to the park such as Park Row and Bear Lane as we must be considerate of residents to retain our licence.**

PLEASE NOTE PARENTS HAVE BEEN ASKED BY WAVERLEY COUNCIL NOT TO PARK IN THE : park/golf car park, cricket ground or smaller rangers' car parks on Folly Hill. Parents and carers are asked not to block residents' roads or drives. Please note this is a **condition of our licence from Waverley Council** to run the event. Marshalls will be present to ensure parents don't flout this requirement.

Surrey Police have been informed and will be contacted if people cause a problem with parking. Please don't let St. Polycarp's down by ignoring this request.

CROSS COUNTRY EVENT INFORMATION

DATE: Saturday 16th May 2026

PLACE: Farnham Park, Bear Lane/Park Row entrance at the bottom left-hand corner of Farnham Park. Please see map attached.

MEETING POINT: Bear Lane/Park Row entrance, just over the stile to the left-hand side of the path below the adventure playground. (See attached map)

TIME OF EVENT: 9.15am Registration at meeting point – Mrs Ramsden aided by other St. Polycarp's staff. After registration the boys and girl's teams will be warmed up by St Polycarp's staff. At the end of the race St. Polycarp's staff will keep the children in the finishing pen for the parent/carer to collect at the end of each race.

9.15am register **9.30am** warm up **10.00am** Boys race **10.20am** Girl's race **10.45ish!** presentation

REQUIREMENTS		
School P.E. kit	Trainers or Astros – No Spikes	Water bottle

