



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has gone by exceptionally quickly, especially after the glorious bank holiday weather last weekend – which I hope you all got to enjoy. As always, in my walks around the school I have seen pupils really focused on their learning and persevering even when they are finding the learning challenging. In general, there is a really positive mind-set and “I can do” attitude amongst the children, which is lovely to see.

Today Owls Class (Year 2) went to the Weald and Down Museum as part of their “Home Sweet Home” topic; they were really excited about exploring the different houses and way of living through the ages. Thank you to all the parents who supported on this trip. It is really important that children get to experience as many first hand learning opportunities as possible outside the classroom as these really do enhance their learning.

Foxes Class (Year 5) are taking part in a “Fun Maths” challenge at Midhurst Rother College today. Again a big thank you to all the parents who helped out with the transport, it is really much appreciated. Fingers crossed they were successful in the challenges; we will let you know how they got on in next week’s newsletter.

On Monday, Year 6 start their SATs assessments – these begin with the English Punctuation, Spelling and Grammar paper on Monday and end on Thursday with the final maths Reasoning paper. The children have worked really hard all the way through school and we know that each of them will do their very best to show off their learning whatever their abilities. We would ask that children, staff and visitors move around the school especially quietly in order for them to be able to concentrate fully. We will be providing a small breakfast for them to enjoy with their friends at the start of each test morning. It is really important that the Year 6 children are in promptly each day and have had lots of rest the night before (perhaps a little bit of revision over the weekend!).

Well done to all the children who took part in the Maypole Dance at the Charter Fair in Haslemere last Sunday. They did a really well and the audiences really enjoyed seeing them recreate the traditional Maypole dances with great skill. We are looking forward to seeing them perform again at the Fernhurst Revels. A big thank you to Miss Barnes and Mrs Gibbon for their hard work in enabling the pupils to have this opportunity.

I hope you all have a peaceful weekend.

Mrs Richardson on behalf of the SLT

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK	
★	★
SQUIRRELS	Emily Carr
DEER	Lilly Watson
OWLS	Tahla Pay
RED KITES	Maxwell Snelling
ROBINS	Grace Conley-Harper
FOXES	Theo Silver-Bicknell
BADGERS	Amelie Wallace
LUNCHTIME AWARD	Emilia Bryant
HEADBOY & HEADGIRL AWARD <i>(awarded by Mrs Isaac)</i>	Henry Atkinson, Zoe Riley & Amelie Wallace
FOREST SCHOOL RED KITES	Violet Asbridge & Eve Ward
FOREST SCHOOL ROBINS	Emilia Hill

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DIARY DATES

MAY

Mon 14	SATS Week commences
Thurs 17	Bohunt Y6 New Starter Evening
Sun 20	Fernhurst Revels
Mon 21	6pm Musicians Concert
Tues 22	3.10pm Badgers Cobnor Meeting
Fri 25	3.10pm End of first half of term

JUN

Mon 4	Second half of term commences
Fri 8	7.30pm FOFS Meeting at Red Lion
Mon 11	Badgers to Cobnor
Wed 13	Under the Sea Drama Workshop for KS1
Fri 15	9.30am Welcome Morning for New Parents
Fri 15	Badgers return from Cobnor
Wed 20	Foxes to Woolmer Hill Taster Morning
Wed 20	Woolmer Hill Information Evening for Y5
Thurs 21	9am & 6pm Parent Forum
Fri 22	9am Foxes Science Masterclass with Woolmer Hill
Fri 22	3.15pm Messy Church
Mon 25	Squirrels Summer Cake Sale
Thurs 28	Sports Day

JUL

Tues 3	9am Cobnor Assembly
Tues 3	Owls Class Brilliant Bricks morning
Wed 4	Woolmer Hill & MRC Y6 Transition Days
Wed 4	Foxes Taster Day at Bohunt TBC
Fri 6	Bohunt Y6 Transition Days
Fri 6	Transition morning for all classes
Wed 11	Reserve Sports Day
Fri 13	FOFS Summer BBQ
Mon 16	Badgers Bikeability Week
Tues 17	KS2 Evening Production
Wed 18	KS2 Evening Production
Mon 23	1.30pm Fernhurst has got Talent
Tues 24	Last day of term

NEWS FROM THE GOVERNORS

After the torrential storms two weeks ago, we have been lucky to have had the warmest May Day bank holiday weekend since this Bank Holiday was first marked 40 years ago. Let's hope that we get good weather for both the Revels and the half term but that it is cooler for SATS next week!

I am very pleased to welcome three new members to the Local Governing Body: Fiona Atkinson, Vicky Stubbs and Lisa O'Sullivan. Each will specialise in a particular area of the school as representatives of Chichester Academy Trust. Their appointments bring fresh views and skills and help to ensure that succession planning is in place.

The school is a significant part of the village, so we are actively engaging with various parts of the local community and it is good to see your children involved in local events, such as the Maypole dancing. I am also extremely grateful to FoFS and individual parents who do so much to support the school.

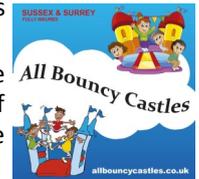
Best wishes

Christopher Lloyd, Chair of Governors

FOFS

The Revels is fast approaching and we are still gathering volunteer forms. If you have not returned yours and are willing to lend a hand for half an hour on Sunday 20 May, please do let us know—many hands make light work!

We are also very pleased to say that we have secured the bouncy castle for the Revels free of charge which will mean that our profits will be greater! Thank you to All Bouncy Castles!



Silence for SATS

Our Year 6 children will be sitting their SATS next week (Mon-Thurs mornings). We would be grateful that if you are in and around the school grounds for any reason from 9am until 12noon that you are mindful that we have children all over the school taking exams and that a quiet environment is more conducive to success.

We wish you lots of luck Badgers!



MEDICAL POLICIES

A reminder, following our email this week, that any child suffering from diarrhoea and vomiting needs to be off school for a full 48 hours following their last symptomatic episode. We will be sending children home if we find that this rule has been breached.

Please also ensure that you notify us if you suspect your child is suffering from measles, chicken pox or shingles.

This is of vital importance for the health and well being of one of our pupils. *Article 24; health & health services*

FROM THE OFFICE.....

- Badgers to please return their SRE reply slips as soon as possible.
- Lost Property—please come and have a look through our MOUNTAIN of unclaimed items. They must belong to someone....we will be putting it out on tables after school on Wednesday and Thursday next week for claiming and then for sale on Friday.



Coming soon.....a **Walking Bus** trial.....watch out for further information!

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