



# NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Carers,

Yet again the week seems to have flown by, with lots of exciting learning taking place across all year groups.

We launched World Book Day, on Monday with the Reading Challenge. The aim of this sponsored reading activity is to raise money for children in hospital to provide them with a regular supply of new reading books and visits from storytellers. The children watched a short DVD about how the money raised will be used. We were all really surprised to learn that children in hospitals cannot have second hand books due to the risk of infection, which mean having a regular supply of new books is vital to help them during their hospital stay. Thank you all for your support in raising money for this worthy cause - no matter how small the amount, we have asked the children to run their sponsored event from Monday to the end of this Friday (8<sup>th</sup> March) and for their forms to be returned no later than Monday 18th March.

Due to the inclement weather on Wednesday afternoon, we had to move our Pancake Day races inside, which led to all sorts of organisational challenges. A very big thank you to Judith and her team of volunteers for an entertaining afternoon of racing, the children really enjoyed it, particularly racing for their house teams. After all the points were totalled up Henley was the winning house with 101 points – well done to them! Thank you to FoFs for providing and serving tea, to the staff for the cakes and to all of you who came to support the children, your patience was much appreciated. A photographer from the Haslemere Herald was at the earlier races so keep your eye on the local paper for photographs of the event.

Reading is a powerful tool and to celebrate we had a lovely World Book Day yesterday, as well as lots of activities across the week organised by Mrs Isaac and Miss Barnes. Thank you so much for all the effort you went to in organising your child(ren)s costumes – they looked fabulous! During lunchtime this week staff have been reading stories and lots of children have come to listen to a range of different genres. Yesterday evening, we hosted a lovely bedtime reading session with lots of exciting, humorous and scary stories, it was great to see so many children in their pyjamas engaging so enthusiastically with the story telling. A huge thank you to all the staff for giving up their time to make this a really special evening. This afternoon we have our Book Exchange and don't forget next week we have our Book Fair!

Last Friday, the children finally got to take part in the Mid Sussex Cross Country Competition, we were well represented from year 3 to year 6. As a school we were really successful in this event, and the following children were selected to represent Mid Sussex in the County Championship at the end of this month; well done, Maya, Theo and Emilia H. We also took part in our first netball tournament at the Royal School on Monday, for our first time at this type of tournament our pupils did extremely well and really enjoyed the experience. We are exceptionally proud of all them and will continue to do our best to provide more of these opportunities, thank you Mr Hussey for your commitment to organising these events.

Wishing you a lovely weekend

Mrs Richardson on behalf of the SLT.

## ★ STUDENTS OF THE WEEK ★

<b>SQUIRRELS</b>	Romilly Pezier
<b>DEER</b>	Tyler Spear
<b>OWLS</b>	Carl Van Der Walt
<b>RED KITES</b>	Sienna Boshier-Thomas
<b>ROBINS</b>	Maxwell Snelling
<b>FOXES</b>	Lewis Lovell
<b>BADGERS</b>	Evie Fowler
<b>LUNCHTIME AWARD</b>	Heidi Reading
<b>FOREST SCHOOL</b>	Sienna Burger, Charlie Kortias
<b>HEAD BOY AND GIRL AWARD</b>	Mr Hussey

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## DIARY DATES

### March

8: Book exchange  
Young Voices Festival, Chichester Cathedral  
11-14: Bookfair  
12: Parent's evening  
13: Choir to perform for the Good Companions  
14: Parents Evening  
15: Netball tournament  
18-22: Badgers, Bikeability  
20: Foxes, visit from a Tudor actor  
26: Red Kites and Robins Production  
performance  
29: Badgers, Marwell Zoo

### April

5: End of term  
23: Start of the summer term

**Donations:** This week Mrs Corps has asked if anyone has a heavy-based frying pan or saucepan they no longer use. We love cooking with the children at Forest school and some more pans would be really useful. **Thank you!**

### Cross Country Individual Results:

**Year 3 Boys:** Oskar Hutchinson 2nd, Tahla Pay 2nd

**Year 4 Boys:** Ethan Morrin 3rd

**Year 6 Girls:** Maya Szabo-Steer 3rd

### Overall Fernhurst Primary Results:

**Year 3 Boys** 2nd

**Year 4 Boys** 1st

**Year 4 Girls** 2nd

**Y5/6 Girls** 3rd

**Well done all!**

## FoFS

Thank you to all the school staff who provided delicious cakes for the Pancake race cake refreshment stall on Wednesday and to parents who supported the stall. We managed to raise £37!

Due to your generous support, FoFS have been able to fund the purchase of the following items for our school over the last year!

- **PCs**
- **Key Stone Curriculum Planning Tool**
- **Leavers Gifts for Year 6**
- **Languascope Language software**
- **Resources for Focus Groups**
- **Hockey equipment**
- **Netball posts and nets!**

Thank you for making this possible!

## NOTICES FROM THE OFFICE

**Consent and/or Payments needed**, please see the information sent via email for more details, hardcopies are available from the letter rack in reception.

- **Parents Evening:** Times have now been allocated and you should receive your slip tonight. If you haven't booked a timeslot yet, please let the Office know and we will find one for you.
- **Badgers, Marwell Zoo:** Please consent and pay as soon as possible for the trip at the end of March
- **Badgers, Bikability:** Please return the consent slip
- **RV Enrichment days:** If you have received a form please return it as soon as possible.



### Easter Messy Church!

Friday 5th April at St Margaret's

Straight after school to be followed by an evening meal

Children of all ages welcome with their Parents!

**The Staff Car Park!** What with our Teachers, TAs and office staff, health visitors and the other support staff we have in school every day, the car park is getting increasingly busy. Unless prior permission has been received from Mrs Isaac or Mrs Richardson, parents and carers are not allowed to enter the carpark after 8.15am and before 3.50pm, in both cases the carpark should only be used by those using Breakfast Club or Oscars. If you are collecting from Oscars, please be aware that staff may be trying to leave, so please park considerately.

*The carpark must not be used as a turning circle and children should never be dropped off there.*

Thank you for your understanding.

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