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Dear Families

We had our 'Open Day' for prospective parents this week and our visitors were very impressed! They had the opportunity to see core learning taking place in the morning and other subjects in the afternoon. Yesterday afternoon, they managed to see: Early Years making space rockets with a group of children flying off to London, we had RE taking place in Year 1 and Year 2, ukulele lessons in Rowan, African drumming in Holly, and French and cooking in Oak. Wow! What creative and imaginative children we have.

Following our PTA meeting this week, the final plans have been put in place for our annual Firework event. Thank you to all of the volunteers and families who will be supporting the event this evening. We had a discussion around purchase requests and the PTA have agreed to fund 3 new picnic benches for the bottom of our school field. Thank you, PTA.

We are also exploring the funding for new football and netball kits. Are there any families who can offer support with this by being a sponsor for the new kits? Please contact me if you would like to discuss this further.

Best wishes Mrs Sharrock

YEAR 5/6 GIRLS' FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Wow, our girls were absolutely fantastic, and were so excited when they were placed 3rd overall. They played five matches altogether, winning one, drawing three, and losing one. There were some amazing goals, and some brilliant defensive play too. The girls displayed great team work, and encouraged each other throughout. Thank you to all the parents who came along to cheer them on.



Recent correspondence:

• Email – Flu vaccination reminder

DATES FOR 2023/2024

Over the weeks, we will add **new dates/events in red**, so please make sure that you regularly check this list and update your diaries.

Thurs 16 November	Y6 – Magistrates in the Community visit
Fri 17 November	BBC Children in Need – non-uniform – wear something spotty! - info to follow
Mon 20 November	Year 2 Findon Village walk
Tues 21 November	School Photos
Thurs 23 November	Influenza nasal spray vaccinations
Fri 1 December	Christmas Disco – details to follow
Sun 3 December	Findon Christmas Lights 'Switch On' – Choir will be singing
Tues 5 December	Ash and Willow Christmas Nativity (2pm)
Wed 6 December	Chartwells Christmas Lunch- book via ParentPay
	Ash and Willow Christmas Nativity (2pm)
Thurs 7 December	PTA Elfridges event – details to follow
Tues 12 December	Walking Nativity – Choir will be singing
Wed 13 December	Christmas Service (time and venue to be confirmed)
Fri 15 December	School Christmas party lunch – non-uniform day, (Chartwells lunch not
	available) – letter to follow
Sun 17 December	Nine Lessons and Carols at St John the Baptist Church (4pm)
Tues 2 January 2024	INSET day
Wed 2 January	Back to school
Wed 10 January	PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT SCHOOL (6pm)

INSET DAYS 2023/2024

- 1. Friday 1st September
- 2. Monday 30th October
- 3. Tuesday 2nd January
- 4. Monday 15th April
- 5. Monday 3rd June