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Dear Families

We are finally on the field despite the rain showers that we have had this week! Our children have really enjoyed being back on the field and having a larger space to run around and play and get the opportunity to mix with all of our year groups. We now have three zones in place which are: free play, organised activities and football. We will run this during the Summer term and make any tweaks as we go along.

The Summer term is a very busy time and we have lots of events taking place, so keep an eye on our newsletter and the school diary dates, which are updated weekly.

Our Year 5 and Year 6 children are now getting excited as they look forward to the forthcoming residential trip to the Isle of Wight. Mrs Stoner and the staff involved delivered an information session to our Year 5 and Year 6 parents and children to give an overview of the week. Any parents that could not attend this meeting can contact the office to request a copy of the PowerPoint.

Have a great weekend. Jane Sharrock

BOOK FAIR

We are holding a Scholastic Children's Book Fair in school from Monday 29th April to Thursday 2nd May 2024. Please find attached additional information about the Book Fair.

The Book Fair will be open daily at 3.25pm – 4pm.

The commission from the sales allows us to buy books for the classrooms and library, so every book you buy helps us to get new books for the school.

There are lots of exciting books to choose from. Reading unlocks new worlds for all, so thank you for your support.



REMINDER - YEAR 1 PHONICS MEETING

There will be a meeting on Wednesday 8th May at 2.40pm to inform you about the Year 1 Phonics screening, which will take place week commencing 10th June. This meeting will give you an opportunity to find out about the assessment arrangements and ask any questions you may have.

RECENT CORRESPONDENCE

• Class topic letters emailed to all parents.

HANDBALL COMPETITION

This week, our Year 3/4 children played some amazing handball. This was a new game for most of the children, but they quickly began to pick up the rules, and were soon playing tactically as well. Both of our teams played brilliantly and one of our teams were outright winners, and were the only team to win all of their matches. Thank you to the parents who came along to support.



NEWS FROM THE PTA

We hope you all have had a good week and it has been a busy one for us with the PTA planning! Thank you to all who came to our PTA meeting last week. The next one has been booked for Wednesday 22nd May, 6pm at the Black Horse. Please come along if you can as this will be our last official meeting before the Summer Revels.

Due to being swamped in Revels planning this week, we have not had the chance to finalise our PTA newsletter but do keep a look out for it in the coming weeks. Please see attached a poster of the money we have raised so far this year. We hope you will be as encouraged by this, as we have been - it's amazing!

UNIFORM: If anyone has any school sweatshirts or cardigans they no longer need, we are particularly low in sizes 30 and upwards. We are hoping to run a second-hand uniform stall at the Revels, so it would be great to have a larger amount of these available. If you can help, please pop any donations in our uniform bin in the car park (under the stairs).

REVELS: You may have noticed that we now have our Facebook event up and running, so please do share this far and wide so that we can spread the word about this event, as much as possible! Our flyers and posters have gone to the printers this week and you will start to see these on display in the community soon.

HUGE congratulations to our Revels Colouring Competition winner, Ivy H in Holly Class. What an amazing job Ivy did and a very well-deserved winner. Thank you to everyone who participated and here are the runners up:

2nd place - Eve H, 3rd place - Ruby, 4th Place - Poppy S, 5th place - Nate

All entries will be displayed at the Revels.



As always, any questions or queries please do email us on <u>findonpta@gmail.com</u> The PTA Committee

DATES FOR THE SUMMER TERM

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.

Mon 29 April – 2 May Wed 1 May Wed 8 May Mon 6 May Mon 13 – Thurs 16 May Wed 22 May Thurs 23 May Mon 27 – Fri 31 May Mon 3 June **Tues 4 June** Thurs 6 June Fri 7 June Sat 8 June Mon 10 – Fri 14 June w/c 10 June Thurs 20 June Wed 26 June Wed 3 July Mon 8 July Fri 12 July **Tues 23 July**

Scholastic Book Fair Ash and Willow trip to Amberley Museum Year 1 Phonics meeting for parents (2.40pm) Bank Holiday, school closed Y6 National Curriculum tests Y6 SATS Breakfast Club – letter to follow soon Holly Class assembly (2.45pm) – parents invited New Reception intake 2024 parent meeting (6pm) Half-term break **INSET Day** Back to school PTA Non-uniform day in aid of Revels Class & Year 6 leavers photos, cakes for Revels please! SUMMER REVELS Y5&Y6 Residential Trip **Y1** Phonics screening Sports Day (am) Y6 Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral Y1& Y2 Class assembly (2.45pm) – parents invited KS2 trip to Pulborough Brooks **NEW REVISED DATE – PTA SUMMER DISCO** Last day of term

