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Dear Families,

On Monday, we had our interviews for the permanent Deputy Head post. The five candidates had quite an intense day completing a number of rigorous tasks. As a result, I am happy to inform you that Mrs Wellby has been appointed as our permanent Deputy Headteacher. Well done!

Our School Council took part in the interview day and did a great job of interviewing the five candidates. They were a credit to our school.

Enjoy your weekend.

Jane Sharrock

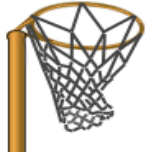
RED NOSE DAY

Thank you to everyone who donated to Comic Relief Red Nose Day. The School Council are pleased to announce that we have raised £164.



NETBALL CLUB

Just a reminder that next Wednesday, 22nd March is the last session with Premier Education for this academic year.



CHELSEA FOOTBALL CLUB

Football Club finishes next Friday, 24th March. Next week, we will be sending out new booking forms from Chelsea.

'TEQUILA' VIDEO

Some of our children learnt this song and filmed a video to be added to the final compilation (with parental permission for it to be used online/in school, etc). The children worked very hard and it was a fun project for them to have been involved with. 'Tequila' video is available here <https://youtu.be/YpJkeobinCg>

Best wishes, Chris Eaton

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CHARTWELLS MEAL ORDERING SYSTEM

IMPORTANT – To make sure that your child has a Chartwells lunch when they return to school after the Easter holiday (Tuesday 18th April), please remember to order meals well in advance.



FSM, UIFSM and paid meals must be selected 10 days in advance - parents have until 11.50 pm on Thursdays to place meals via ParentPay. We are here to help if you have any queries.

ASH AND WILLOW READING WORKSHOPS

You can now find the Reading presentations on the school website, www.stjbps.co.uk - Childrens Zone – Ash Class or Willow Class. We hope that you will find these useful.

Recent Correspondence

- **Ash & Willow Summer Sports Club**

Spare copies are available from the school office.

NEWS FROM OUR PTA

Wow, what a fun morning we had on Tuesday, with our giant bouncy castle in the school hall! A huge 'thank you' to our fabulous team of volunteers, who helped run the event and made it all go super smoothly, with plenty of laughs! The count down from ten to zero was shouted incredibly loud by the children watching every two minutes, so we think they really got behind everyone bouncing to support and cheer on their classmates, and we mean LOUD!



We are so grateful for every penny given through sponsorship and we are very happy to announce that we have raised a pledged grand total of £1755.81.

Well done everyone - every penny goes towards supporting our school, so we hope we can collect all the money pledged. Thank you to those who paid upfront. Sponsor forms should have gone back home to those who haven't paid yet with various ways you can organise payment, i.e. cash into school, bank transfer and payment link. Please ask for further details, if needed.

Here are the winners from each class.

Ash	Willow	Rowan	Holly	Oak
Locklan -194	William – 201	Alfie – 190	Lucas – 208	William - 257
Joanie – 202	Eva – 182	Rose – 194	Mia F – 255	Amber - 248

Rowan – Pedal bike champ – Freddie 215

Holly – Pedal bike champ – Max 322

Oak – Pedal bike champ – Harrison 303

Well done to all the children - there was tight competition in every class!

We hope you have an enjoyable and restful weekend, possibly with a nice treat from the 'I Love You Day' sale.

We have some photos on our PTA Facebook group - if you aren't a member, please find us and ask to join St John's C of E PTA or email us so we can add you. Any questions, please email findonpta@gmail.com. Many thanks from the PTA Team.

DATES FOR 2023



We have added **extra dates in red** to the list below, so please make sure that you regularly check the dates and update your diaries.

Mon 20 Mar	Invited Y5s - Choral Workshop at Christ's Hospital
Mon 27 Mar	Reception Health Screening
Tues 28 Mar	Reception Health Screening
Wed 29 Mar	Year 2 Parent meeting – KS1 SATS (2.30 pm)
Thurs 30 Mar	Easter Service at school (9 am)
Fri 31 Mar	Easter Bonnet Parade
w/c 3 Apr	Easter Holiday
Sun 16 April	PTA 'Grand National Run' – info to follow
Mon 17 Apr	INSET Day
Tues 18 Apr	Back to school
Tues 25 Apr	Bag2School Collection at 9 am
Mon 1 May	May Bank Holiday
Thurs 4 May	Worthing Museum visiting Ash & Willow (details to follow)
Mon 8 May	Bank Holiday – Coronation of King Charles III
May	Year 2 Assessments will be carried out during May
Tues 9 – Fri 12 May	Year 6 National Curriculum Assessments
Fri 12 May	Non-Uniform Day – In aid of Summer Revels
	This day will be changed due to Y6 SATS – look out for new date soon.
Sat 13 May	Summer Revels
w/c 29 May	Half- term holiday
Mon 5 June	INSET Day
Tues 6 June	Back to school
w/c 12 June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Y4 Multiplication Tables Check
Fri 16 June	Rowan, Holly & Oak visiting Butser Ancient Farm – details to follow
Mon 26 June	Year 6 Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral (1.15 pm)
Fri 30 June	Class Photos
Mon 3 July	Year 6 Online Safety lesson with Sussex police Ash & Willow trip to Arundel Wildfowl Trust – details to follow
Wed 5 July	Secondary Transition Day for Year 6
Thurs 6 July	PTA Summer Disco
Thurs 20 July	Leavers' Service at church