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Dear Families

We have welcomed back our children for the final term of this academic year. The children have settled really quickly and are back into their learning routines.

As we are now in the Summer term and the weather has started to improve, our children are now on the school field for break times and lunch times. They really enjoy the freedom and space of our school field and our Reception children are loving it.

We have a lot of events coming up during this term so watch this space.

Enjoy your weekend.

Mrs Sharrock

NEWS FROM THE GOVERNORS

As I write this our school is on a well earned break for the Easter holidays and so there is not much to report over and above what was relayed last month. However, we look forward to an exciting term ahead, including the Revels which take place on Saturday May 13th. There will be the traditional country dancing at Old Pond Green, starting at 11.00, followed by a procession to school, maypole dancing and then all the fun of the fete as visitors enjoy all the usual stalls at the Revels including a licenced bar and live entertainment.

CHOIR CLUB

There will be no Choir Club for the first few weeks of the Summer term; I will let you know what date we will restart. We are hoping to do a little concert at the end of the Summer term and are considering an animal theme, so could children think of ideas for songs that we may sing.

Mrs Stoner

YEAR 4 HANDBALL

Wow, what amazing play from our Handball Team. Everyone played absolutely brilliantly, especially as this was a new sport to all of them. Well done to Joshua who was given an award for Sportsmanship. They had to play five matches altogether, and were so excited to be placed 2nd overall. There are more photos on Twitter.



NEWS FROM OUR PTA

Welcome back to the Summer Term and the Revels countdown is well and truly on!

Before we get too carried away, we do have a Bags2School collection, which is next Tuesday 25th April at 9 am. We hope you can drop off a bag or two to help raise funds for our school. If you have any textiles, clothing, bags, hats, belts, shoes and teddies to clear from your house just pack them up in bin liners ready to drop off Tuesday morning. Thank you! Later on, that same day we have our next PTA meeting at 6pm at The Black Horse, in the skittle alley. We hope you can join us- everyone welcome!

We also want to say a huge thank you to Mick Dicker and his company RAW Energy Pursuits who hosted our Grand National 10km trail run starting at Nepcote last Sunday. It was a beautiful morning and well done to all the runners who took part - everyone can't wait to do it again next year! All profits raised go directly to the PTA - thank you so much Mick, we really appreciate all your efforts to help fundraise for our school. Photos can be seen in the PTA Facebook group this afternoon. Any questions please email findonpta@gmail.com
Many thanks, PTA Team



MUSIC CONCERT

Well done to all the children who performed in the guitar concert yesterday. It was a pleasure listening to how well everyone plays. Mr Eaton was very pleased with the progress they made during their lessons last term.



Recent Correspondence


- Attendance certificates
- Holly, Ash & Willow Cooking donations
- Y1 & Y2 Football
- KS2 Topic letters & Class Letters emailed to parents

Spare copies are available from the school office.

PARISH OF FINDON, CLAPHAM AND PATCHING SERVICES MAY 2023

All three Churches are open daily for private prayer.
There is a 10.00am said Eucharist in Findon Church every **Tuesday**,
and Morning Prayer every **Wednesday** and **Friday** at 9.00am.

Sunday 7th May Fifth Sunday of Easter	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Worship & Praise at Findon with 'Cornerstone' Eucharist at Patching
Sunday 14th May Sixth Sunday of Lent	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Clapham Eucharist at Findon
Sunday 21st May Ascension Day (transferred from Thurs. 18 th May)	8.00am 9.30am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Findon Eucharist at Clapham
Sunday 28th May Day of Pentecost (Whit Sunday)	8.00am 9.30am 10.30am	Traditional Communion at Patching Eucharist at Findon Annual Parochial Church Meeting at Findon Church

 Messy Church - Tuesday 2nd May 3.30 - 5.30pm in Findon Village Hall All children welcome with an accompanying adult for crafts, a story, singing and food!	Lambs Tails - Parent & Toddler Group for babies, toddlers, & parents/carers. Tuesday mornings at 10.30am in Findon Village Hall. (3 rd Tues of the month at 11.00am in Findon Church). Contact Sue Stone: belgiumsue@hotmail.com
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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.

Tues 25 Apr	Bag2School Collection at 9 am
Wed 26 Apr	Holly Class Computing at Windlesham School - Postponed
Thurs 27 April	Y1 & Y2 Football at The Angmering School
Mon 1 May	May Bank Holiday
Tues 2 May	Messy Church
Thurs 4 May	Worthing Museum visiting Ash & Willow (details to follow)
Fri 5 May	Non-Uniform Day for tombola donations
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
	Y6 SATS Breakfast Club – info to follow
Fri 12 May	Please bring in cakes for the Revels Cake Stall – thank you!
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
Thurs 22 June	Sports Day – more 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
Wed 5 July	Secondary Transition Day for Year 6
Thurs 6 July	PTA Summer Disco
Thurs 20 July	Leavers’ Service at church