

Dear Parents/Carers,



What an amazing Deep Learning Day we all enjoyed on Wednesday. A big thank you to all those parents who helped on the day and for all those people that kindly sent in resources. We really appreciate your help and support.

The pupils' wellbeing and happiness was enhanced through art, dance and yoga under a theme of 'circles'.



A big thank you to all the parents that all helped on the Year 3 trip to Butser Ancient Farm. It sounds like you all enjoyed a fabulous day.

Autism Awareness Week 1st – 4th April

Please provide cakes for our cake sale on Wednesday 3rd April. A big thank you to Mrs Griffiths for organising this. Please see Mrs Woodall if you can help. All funds raised to the Autism Charity.



Staffing

Mrs Smythe, one of our support colleagues, who works part time in Y 2 will be leaving us at this end of this term. We thank her for all her support and care over the last three years.

Our PSA

Well done for all the batteries you have found so far! Keep on collecting old batteries over the weekend. Our collection is growing.



Our Easter event this year is a Sponsored Bounce, taking place during the school day! Families are then invited to the KS1 playground after school for refreshments, (all cake donations gratefully received on the day!) and our 'Egg-streme vehicles' competition.

Create a vehicle, no bigger than a shoe box to safely transport an egg (under its own steam!)....an Easter Egg will be awarded to the child in each class which makes the egg travel the furthest distance!

Thank you to Mrs Shewry for organising the lovely Mothering Sunday gifts idea.

Dates For Your Diary can now be found on our Lower school calendar on our website.

Heads up our annual Sports Day is on Tuesday 9th July for all Lower School pupils. Details of timings will be sent out nearer the time. (Reserve date for adverse weather conditions Thursday 11th July).

Maths Games for Years 1,2,3 and 4

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our maths games session on the following Fridays;

24.05.19, 12.07.19

Celebration of Certificates

Citizen of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who are our Citizens of the Week:

Sophie for working hard on her targets and showing great behaviour for learning

Roseanna for developing confidence to share her brilliant ideas in class

Pippa for modelling such strong resilience for us

Jacob for making sensible choices

Harry E for being kind and caring

Edward R for being a kind and helpful member of Pine class

Eleanor S for her teamwork and encouragement on DLD

Jules M-C for excellent contributions to the DLD art

Learners of the Week

Well done to the following children who are our Learners' of the week:

Rowan: Orla

Beech: Rowan

Willow: Luca

Birch: Lauren

Pine: Janki and Amelie

Elm: Tommy and Finlay

Chestnut: Rex

Larch: Sofia

Sharing Assemblies

We would love you to come and share in our assemblies. Dates for the year and each year group are below. They are all Thursdays, start at 2.40pm and you are most welcome to join us.

Year R ~ 16th May

Year R



ASH



OAK

YEAR R – Please talk to your child about our Deep Learning Day art work around the story 'The Dot'

Year R have been learning and exploring lots in the outdoor classrooms this week as the weather becomes increasingly spring like. Please do remember to pack a water bottle and a sun hat for them to use at school.

They have enjoyed learning in our outdoor, ice cream shop, role play. We have observed them applying mathematical skills as they decide on the prices and how many scoops of each flavour to add together.

Year 1



ROWAN



BEECH

Please talk to your child about their year 1 cursive writing and letter formation. Can they show you the lead ins and joins?

Year 1 have finally had the first chick hatch! It was a very exciting day! This week has also involved a fantastic Deep Learning Day based around the picture book 'The Dot' and all the children did some fantastic art work. We are still very low on water bottles in school. Please ensure you send your child in with one. In French we will be looking at the names of body parts so you might want to practise these at home. The children have also been doing a bread project in DT have designed and made their own loaf! How yummy!

Year 2



WILLOW

YEAR 2 - Please talk to your child about 'sharing' (division).

We use the language of shared by and put the number sentence into a context. For example $12 \div 3 =$ could be 12 sweets shared between 3 friends. If your child needs to use objects to then share that is absolutely fine! We have really enjoyed writing poetry this week about ourselves and the linking to science and writing about the life cycle of a seed. The children have also loved researching World War 1 to create a fact file. Next week is R.E week so we have come to the end of our Time Travelling journey! Thank you for all the fantastic home learning this week, the children have done a great job performing their poems they learnt.

Year 3



ELM

PINE

YEAR 3 - Please talk to your child about 3D shapes that you can find around your home.

We are really pleased with the children's timetable knowledge, keep practising at home their 3 and 4 times table facts and corresponding division facts. Next week we are looking forward to making our bags in DT, if you have any spare thick wool or buttons at home, please send this into school with your child next week.

Year 4



LARCH

CHESTNUT

Year 4 - Please talk to your child about the meaning of Easter.

Year 4 have been busy this week with their Deep Learning Day art. We have been using ink paints and different materials to act as a resist. The results were phenomenal! We have also been creating hanging decorations using old CDs and wool weaving patterns. Aboriginal art was the theme of our third creation - dot pattern paintings using cotton wool buds! Integr8 dance group provided a

workshop where we learnt a short routine to a song from The Greatest Showman soundtrack. In DT, we made cheese and watercress scones which were delicious!

Easter Gardens

Year R and Key Stage 1 will be creating these lovely gardens on Wednesday 3rd April. We will be asking children to bring in their own resource. Please see separate letter.

Heads Up

Please can you check your children's hair this weekend: we have had several cases of head lice reported.

Please make sure you keep your child off for 48 hours if they have sickness or diarrhoea. This helps to stop the bugs spreading.

If you need to drive to school please can you turn your car engine off as you are waiting. This helps to keep the air healthy for our children waking past.

Chicken Pox ~ we have had a couple of cases reported this week in school.

Hoping you all enjoy a lovely Mothering Sunday.

Kind regards,

Liz Woodall

Head of Primary Phase

