THE WESTGATE SCHOOL

Hampshire's First 4-16 'All Through' School

No.22 SPRING Term 2 2nd March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a dramatic start to March! I do hope you have been able to enjoy the snow with your children and that you have managed to stay warm. We are looking forward to sharing the children's snow creations next week.



We were all sorry that World Book Day did not take place but hope to be able to reschedule this exciting event. We will keep you informed. Hope your sponsored reading is going well.

Thank you to those of you who have already returned the collection sheet for your child. Please do pass it to your child's class teacher this week.

Celebration of Certificates

Citizen of the Week

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

Jude L – For showing resilience in his learning and for being enthusiastic to share his ideas with the class

Sam M – for the wonderful enthusiasm and zest for life he brings to our class

Kaitlyn D – for being kind to other children

Ellie Stanley – for showing awareness of everyone's feelings

Molly P – for being kind and helpful

Learners of the Week

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

Rowan: Iris Manwaring

Beech: Bronwen S

Willow: Gethin L

Birch: Konrad K

Pine: Will T

Elm Ellie J

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 6th March – Y1 Trip to Sparsholt Farm

Tuesday 6th March – Y3 Author visit ~ Neal Layton

Friday 9th March – Maths Games

Saturday 10th March - Winchester Chamber Orchestra St Barnabas Church, Weeke, 4pm

Monday 12th March ~ Y2 Storytelling workshop

Thursday & Friday 15th & 16th March – Life **Education Van**

Tuesday 20th March Parents' Evening

Thursday March 22nd – Sports' Relief coffee am and Y1, 2, 3 singing

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Friday 23rd March – Easter Garden making afternoon more info to follow

Friday 23rd March ~ PSA Easter Celebrations

Tuesday 27th March – Y3 Spring Concert

Tuesday 27th March – Upper School Concert

Wednesday 28th March – 2pm Year 2 presentation of their Time Travelling Journey

Wednesday 28th March ~ last day of term

Thursday 29th March ~ School closed for training

Monday 16th April ~ First day of the Summer

Sunday April 22nd – PSA Circus Event



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Friday April 27th – Parenting Course

Tuesday 1st May ~ Class photos

Saturday 12th May ~ St Paul's Community Day

Wednesday 23rd May ~ Skipping workshop

Friday 25th May ~ last day of term for half term

Monday 4th June ~ First day back to school

PSA Events

Tuesday 6 March PSA meeting this Tuesday the 6th March 8 - 9.30pm in the Lower School. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Thursday 22nd March PSA PPL Sports Relief Coffee morning ~ children from Y1 to Y3 will be singing.

Friday 23rd March Easter Celebration 3.30pm – 5pm

Sunday 22nd April Circus Event

Maths Games ~ Y1,2,3

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

Friday 9th March and Friday 23rd March

Year Group Information

Year R

We have been enjoying learning in our new Field Forest Learning area. We have also been writing menus in the outdoor kitchen this week; lots of soup and hot chocolates to warm us up!



Year 1

Year 1 are very egg-cited (!) at the arrival of eggs. They are in the incubator and we are enjoying caring for them, learning about life cycles and look forward to the fluffy chicks when they hatch! We will keep you posted of their progress. Tuesday is our trip to the farm, please make sure you have read the letter about what they will need.

Year 1 loved carrying out an 'eggsperiment' this week. We tested to see which material cushioned a falling egg!



Year 2

The children have enjoyed Forest Learning this week and they showed great teamwork skills joining forces to make houses in a village. Next week is Royal week in Year 2. We will be learning about Henry 8th and then looking at Queen Victoria.

Please can you also continue to support your child with learning more about money. Can they use coins to make different amounts?

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We are very much looking forward to our Story Telling workshop on Monday 12th March

Year 3

A big thank you to Mrs Tregillis who came into both classes this week to talk about our bodies, in her role as a doctor. The children really enjoyed making and understanding what is in our blood and we made a skeleton and talked about the bones in our body.

Enjoy a fun, snow filled weekend.

Kind regards

Liz Woodall