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NEWSLETTER – April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term - I can't quite believe we are already two thirds of the way through the school year. This term is going to be very busy, so please keep an eye on the dates list at the end of each newsletter, and also Parent Mails, so you don't miss anything.

Our Governing Body met towards the end of last term and discussed possible changes to the school day from September. We will be writing to you very shortly to update you on the decision made.

With regards

Mrs Sally Dreckmann

Ramadan

We wish our Muslim families a blessed Ramadan.

Red Nose Day - Friday 17th March

Thank you so much for your support. We raised an amazing £240.63 for Red Nose Day this year.



Year 1 Dream Home Competition

Well done to all the Year 1 children for their lovely work in designing their 'dream home'. The Year 1 parents were invited to a special assembly on Wednesday 29th March where the following winning entries were announced:

James, Ladybird Class

Arthur, Butterfly Class

Florence, Hedgehog Class (overall winner)

Each child received a medal from Henry Adams and the overall winner received a teddy bear.



Class Photos

The photographer is coming on Wednesday 10th May to take class photos. Please can you let the office know by the end of April if you do not wish your child to be included. Thank you.

Pupil Premium/Free School Meals Funding Eligibility

Just a reminder that families who receive certain benefits or who are on a low income may be eligible to free school meals funding which the school receives an allocated amount for. We use this additional funding to subsidise school trips and after school clubs for the eligible pupils. Even though your child is already entitled to receive an infant universal free school meal, if you think your child may be eligible, please go to the following link from the West Sussex County Council:

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/>

A paper copy of the form is also available from the school office.

The Big Sing - Thursday 23rd March

Our thanks to Mrs Lloyd and the children in Oak Class who took part in the 'Big Sing' at the Arena on Thursday 23rd March. The children sang beautifully.



PTA News

The PTA held a fantastic quiz night and fish and chip supper on Friday 24th March, which was well supported. Well done to Aimee and her team for winning. The evening raised £168.00 towards PTA funds.

The children had a lovely morning on Wednesday 29th March searching for Easter eggs within the school grounds and taking part in a sponsored 'Bunny Bounce' in the hall. Many thanks to those families that kindly donated the eggs and to the many helpers who came to ensure the two events ran smoothly, particularly the Sports Leaders from Felpham Community College. We had so many donations that we also managed to raffle three Easter egg hampers which were won by Lenny in Sunflower Class and Paloma and Charlie from Oak Class. This raised an additional £201.00 towards PTA funds.



Thank you to everyone who has returned their sponsorship money; your generosity never ceases to amaze us. Please could any outstanding money be returned to the office as soon as possible. We will let you know in due course how much has been raised.



We would also like to thank the PTA for purchasing our new interactive whiteboard for the school hall. This is now up and running and being regularly used by all the classes.

Red Cross Appeal

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Easter colouring competition which was organised by Pippa in Sycamore Class. The winning and runner up entries from each class received an Easter egg and Malteser bunny. Between the school, brownies and church, Pippa raised £121.00

for the Red Cross DEC appeal and also gained her brownie 'charities' badge. Well done Pippa!

Living Eggs

We have ten eggs in an incubator and we are very excited to see if they hatch so watch this space!! This will help to develop our understanding of life cycles. We will keep you updated on their progress. This initiative has been sponsored by Empire Environmental Services Ltd (Littlehampton).



A couple of reminders: -

Absence from School -

Please can we remind parents/carers to let us know if your child is unwell and unable to attend school. You can report absences on ParentMail or leave a message on our answerphone. Please make sure you give a reason for absence as we have to record it on our records. Please get in touch again if your child is off for longer than two days. Thank you.

Dropping off in the morning -

Please could we remind Year 2 parents to drop your child off at the gates in the morning and not to walk round to the classrooms. There are staff on the playground to ensure the children walk round safely.

Parking -

We are still receiving complaints from local residents about inconsiderate parking at the start and end of the school day. Please can you avoid parking across residents' driveways and in the residents' parking area in Hawkins Close. Thank you.

Cutlery in School -

If your child brings in a packed lunch, please could we ask that you provide them with the appropriate cutlery; the lunchtime staff are constantly being asked to supply forks and spoons.

Phonics Books -

Unfortunately, we are finding that some of our lovely new phonics books are not being looked after very well at home. Some have been ruined by water bottles in book bags and others look like they have been chewed and eaten! Please could we ask parents/carers and children to look after these books; they cost the school so much

money and we do not have complete sets if some get ruined. Thank you.

Makaton Magic

Please see the attached sheet showing the signs the children have been learning during March.



Dates for your Diary - more details to follow (New dates in **Red**)

Event	Date	Time
Start of the Summer Term	Monday 17 th April	
Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May	
Bank Holiday	Monday 8 th May	
Class Photographs	Wednesday 10 th May	
Walk to school week	Monday 15 th - 19 th May	
Reception visit to WWT, Arundel	Wednesday 17 th May	
May Half Term	Monday 29 th May - Friday 2 nd June	
Inset Day	Monday 5 th June	
Phonics testing week	w/c Monday 12 th June	
Year 2 visit to Blue Reef Aquarium, Portsmouth	Monday 12 th June	
Sports Week	Monday 19 th - Friday 23 rd June	
Sports Mornings	Monday 19 th June - Year 2 Wednesday 21 st June - Reception Friday 23 rd June - Year 1	
Reserve Sports Mornings	Monday 26 th June - Year 2 Wednesday 28 th June - Reception Friday 30 th June - Year 1	
New Reception Parents meeting	Tuesday 20 th June	7.00 pm
Transition Day	Wednesday 5 th July	
School Reports to be sent home	Friday 7 th July	
Outside Play Day	Friday 14 th July	
PTA School Summer Fair	Saturday 15 th July	12 - 3 pm
Open afternoon	Tuesday 18 th July	2.15 pm
Last day of term for children	Friday 21 st July	

INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL LESSONS

with Inclusive Music and Movement at Rose Green Infant School

Inclusive Music and Movement (IMM) provides opportunities for children and adults to receive music tuition, ensuring a unique and tailored learning experience for every student. As many of you will already be aware, engaging with music and learning an instrument have numerous benefits, not only educationally but physically, socially and personally too.

We are so pleased to be working alongside Rose Green Infant School providing paired and 1:1 lessons. Currently we offer the following lessons at your school: guitar, piano/keyboard and ukulele. Our team are also able to offer a range of other instruments - please enquire for availability.

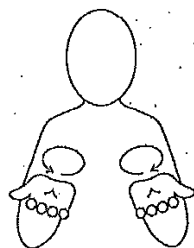
If you are interested in lessons we would love to hear from you. Lessons are taught on either an individual basis or in a pair where numbers allow and are charged at £17 and £11.50 respectively, per 30 minutes. Flexible payment options are offered. Please use the sign-up form on our website to register your interest:

<https://inclusivemusicandmovement.weebly.com/sign-up-or-contact-us.html>



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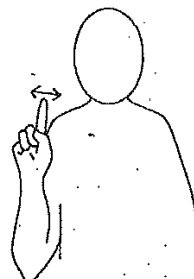
We have been learning the following signs this month



When



Why



How



To Give (1)



To Give (2)

