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Wednesday 23rd March 2016

Dear Parents

It has certainly been another busy half term packed full of exciting learning experiences at our school. Today the children thoroughly enjoyed our visiting Poet, Ian Bland and the whole school looked fabulous on Monday dressed in amazing outfits that represented their class poem. Thank you so much for your support of the events we run, all organised to inspire and enrich the learning opportunities for your children.



Staff update

Mr Williams has asked me to express his thanks to all the parents who have congratulated him on his new post. We have had a very strong field of candidates applying for the post of Deputy Head for September and will be holding interviews on Tuesday 12th April. I will, of course, keep you updated when an appointment has been made.

Attendance

Congratulations to Wren Class who have the highest attendance of the term.

Travelling to school

Thank you to all the parents who are making a concerted effort to park safely and considerately, and to everyone who is really engaging with our Walk Once a Week Scheme. Parking on a Wednesday is considerably improved and, as the warmer months approach, it would be great if we were able to extend walking, or parking away from the school, on more days of the week. Traditionally, in the summer months, an increased number of children scoot or cycle to school. We fully support these modes of transport but ask that you do ensure your child is considerate towards other pedestrians. Please also note that all children **must dismount** from their scooters at the school gate and leave their scooters at the bike shed. Please do not allow **any children** to scoot around the school grounds. On another note, a very small number of parents are frustratingly still regularly parking in the staff car park at the end of the day which is **not permitted** so as to minimize traffic moving when children are leaving the school. If you do see any parent doing this please inform a member of staff.

Water Bottles



As the weather will hopefully be warming up after Easter, please remember to send your child to school with a full school water bottle, as it is really important that children stay hydrated throughout the day. The Friends generously provide every child with a new water bottle at the start of each academic year and these should always be in school. Children are welcome to take their water bottle home daily for a wash and refill - we do insist they go home at least at the end of every week for a thorough clean. Please note that children should only bring in the standard school bottle, replacements can be purchased for £1 at the school office.















Parent Drop Ins

As always our first 'Drop in' of the term will be termly overview meetings when each teacher will outline the learning opportunities they have planned for the term ahead. The termly overview meeting for each class is as follows:

Tuesday 12th April Woodpecker Class

Wednesday 13th April Wren and Robin Class (held in Robin Classroom)

Thursday 14th April Pheasant Class

All Drop Ins for every class will continue to take place on a Tuesday after school.

School Clubs

We have a number of clubs planned for after Easter, details of which will follow at the very start of the new term.

Spring Grounds morning - Saturday 23rd April 9.00am - 12.00pm

We are holding a spring grounds DIY morning on Saturday 23rd April and would be really grateful if you could spare a couple of hours or so of your time. As always a bacon roll and cups of tea will be generously provided by The Friends. If you have any garden equipment or power tools, please bring them along (don't worry if you don't have anything though - we'll be happy to provide some!). Children are welcome to come along too - there will be plenty of play equipment outside for them to use.

Please come along and join in with what we're sure will again be a fun morning for everyone! If you are able to help please complete the slip at the bottom of this letter and return it to the school office.

Key Future dates for your diary

Friday 25th March - Friday 8th April **Easter Holidays** Monday 11th April Start of Summer Term

Saturday 23rd April Spring Grounds Morning

9th – 13th Mav Year 6 National Curriculum Test Week 16th – 20th May Years 2, 3, 4, 5 assessment week

Saturday 21st May Friends fundraiser - Abseil down the Spinnaker Tower

Class photos

Monday 6th June 6th – 10th June Year 6 Bike ability week 6th – 10th June Year 1 phonics check Friday 10th June Lavant's Got Talent night

Friday 17th June Year 6 Leavers Service at the Cathedral

Saturday 18th June Lavant Village Fete Tuesday 21st June School Sports Day

Wednesday 22nd June School Sports Day (reserve date)

Tuesday 5th July GAS Schools Sports Day (Named Children only) Friday 8th July proposed summer Proms and Social (TBC)

Thursday 21st July Leavers service at school

Thursday 21st July Children break up for summer holidays

Friday 22nd July **INSET Day**

On behalf of all the staff, I thank you all for your continued support this term.

Wishing you all a fun and relaxing Easter break

Adrian King

<u>Grounds DIY morning</u> <u>Saturday 23rd April 2015</u>

I / We will be able to come to the DIY morning on Saturday $23^{\text{rd}}\ \text{April}.$

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