



NEWSLETTER

Dates for your Diary Spring Term

- 13th March - SNAPS Meeting - 9am
- **15th March - Movie Night- Details - 5-7pm**
- 19th March - Y4 DASP Singing Festival - 6.30pm
- 28th March Year 3 Performance
- 28th March - Reception Vision Screening
- 28th March - School Nurse Drop in Session - 8.30am
- 29th March - Grand Easter Draw - 3.15pm
- 3rd April to 5th April 2019-Year 4 Hooke Court
- **24th April - SNAPS Meeting - 9am**

**PLEASE NOTE ALL NEW EVENTS
ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN BOLD**

Mothering Sunday

Join us on Sunday 31st March 2019 at 10.15am
to celebrate

Mothering Sunday
All Age Communion
Everyone Welcome!

St George's Church, Fordington Green



World Book Day



A big thank you for all the effort parents put into dressing up their children for World Book Day. We launched the day by showing the children a film of the teachers and their favourite books. This will be available to view on the website shortly.

Children also completed activities related to their class book throughout the day.

Great fun was had by all!

It was lovely to see the year 1 children celebrating their world book day today.

Local Food Links

Special meal days to look out for: -

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day. We will be serving our normal Fish Friday treat however there will be a rather special Red Nose Cookie for dessert.

Tuesday 19th March – ‘New’ to the menu, BBQ Chicken Pizza.



Wednesday 3rd April – Easter Lunch – Roast Turkey or Cauliflower Cheese followed by Chocolate Easter Nest Cake

Doesn't it all sound delicious?! If you would like your child to take part in one or all of these days, please book the meal online at www.myschoolmeals.co.uk

Local Poetry Competition

Recently Manor Park was very kindly donated a copy of 'the lost words' book through a local crowd funded project.



Following this, Thorncombe Local Nature Reserve have developed a woodland trail inspired by 'the lost words' book. Contained in the trail leaflet there is a competition that is open to all, with the prize of a copy of 'the lost words'. Please see the link below for further details.

<https://www.lostwordsdorset.org.uk/stories/1/A+Lost+Words+Trail+opens+in+Thorncombe+Wood+near+Dorchester>

Driving!

It has been reported that several cars have been driving at speed, approximately 50 mph, along Rothesay road towards the lollipop lady. There are times when some cars do not even stop for the lollipop lady! This is unacceptable and incredibly dangerous to children, parents and staff. The police have been contacted and are going to investigate these reports.

Please be mindful of your speed and driving around the area, especially at times when there are a lot of children around. Our children are our main priority and we must all work together to keep them safe.



Year 1 Helipad Trip

Firstly, thank you for all the offers of parent help for our trip. We couldn't have done it without you. The children had a fantastic day visiting HeliOperations on Portland. They had the opportunity to explore and sit in a helicopter, talk to a pilot and watch a real life helicopter come in and land right before their eyes. They were so excited and it is something which I am sure they will be talking about for some time! Following the trip, there will be an article in the Dorset Echo and online at BBC Radio Solent for your perusal.



Batteries and Ink Cartridges!

Thank you to all of those who have brought in batteries for our collection. So far we have filled 3 barrels! This is an ongoing collection so if you need any more boxes please let the office know.

We are also collecting used ink cartridges.



School Attendance This Week

Attending school on a regular basis is key to your child doing well at school and will set them up with good habits for later life and the working world. It will also give your child better opportunities to:

- Make lots of friends and feel included
- Learn new things and develop many skills
- Increase his/her confidence and self esteem
- Improve his/her social skills
- Achieve their potential and fulfil their aspirations

Attendance is regularly monitored by the school, any attendance below 90% is also monitored by County Officers. Please help us to keep our attendance rates as high as possible.

Whole School attendance is currently at 96.52% .

Reception - 97.20% Year 1 - 94.38 % Year 2 – 96.08 % Year 3 – 97.79 % Year 4 – 97.22%

Please remember that the school day begins at 8.50am.



Uniform Orders

As some of you may have noticed, you are no longer able to order the embroidered uniform from the Tesco website. Any orders now need to be placed through the following website myclothing.com.

Alternatively we do have a small amount of stock held at the school. Please speak to the office to purchase this way. Thank you.



Head Lice

Please check your child's hair and treat if necessary. Remember that this treatment needs to be repeated to eradicate the problem.

Using a nit comb on thoroughly conditioned hair regularly will help. Please ensure that your child knows they should not share headwear with other children.



Book Fair

Thank you to all those who came and purchased books at the book fair. We made over £200 in commission for the school.



Exciting news from Year 3 Children

'Last weekend Miss Kilby from Tiger class married Mr Barnes and she is now called Mrs Barnes! We lovingly made a card to celebrate this happy day and we are very happy for her'.



Reception Parents - Vision Screening

Vision Screening opt-out forms went out last week. Please complete and return to your child's class teacher if you **DO NOT** wish your child to have this test. Thank you.

Chicken Pox

We still have cases of chickenpox in school this week so please be vigilant, especially if your child has not had it or is in contact with vulnerable people and pregnant women.



Parent Teacher News



15th March - Movie Night - The Incredibles 2 will be shown in the school hall from 5-7pm. Please note this is a PG movie. Tickets will be on sale from the school office on Monday. They are £2 which includes popcorn and a juice carton.

29th March - Easter Draw - We will be sending out raffle tickets for our grand Easter draw next week. The draw will take place on Friday 29th March after school in the hall where there will also be Easter refreshments and some fun games for everyone to enjoy.

Other Dates For Your Diary

- 10th May 2019 - Summer Disco
- 5th July 2019 - Summer Fair



Floss Update - Thank you to everyone who has returned their sponsorship so far. We have raised an amazing £1700 so far! Well done everyone.

And finally from Mrs Pallister

It has been a very busy week. I would like to say a big thank you for your support in the Book Fair, this will ensure that we are able to provide each class with some lovely new books, in addition to some books in our library.

To continue our Literacy based theme may I also say thank you to everyone who supported World Book Day this week. There were some amazing costumes from staff and children alike. I'm sure that if you came into school you were amazed by the wonderful Mad Hatter's Tea party that was happening in the school office, well done ladies!

Finally a special thank you goes out to Mrs Young who ensured that we all had a memorable start to World Book Day with a presentation to the children about the favourite books from many of our staff. If you would like to view the film too it will be put onto our website shortly.

I hope you all enjoy your weekend.

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