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Newsletter 13

Dear Parents,

Just a quick newsletter this week to celebrate our fabulous Sports Day and give you some news about next year.

We had a such a good time yesterday! Not only were we

**Our value this half-term
is Hope.**

Romans 15:13



*Now may the God of hope fill you
with all joy*

**We are hopeful for
ourselves and
others.**

blessed with the best sports day weather ever, but we also had such enthusiasm and commitment from every part of our school community! That was the first time I have ever seen a mass exodus of children so intent on getting their parents to race! We have captured some magical moments in the photos below, but have many more that have made us smile. **Well done to the orange team for their victory.** Whilst we are celebrating the medal

winners, we do appreciate that for many there are mixed feelings and disappointments on the day, so want to show our appreciation to those children who gave their all but did not get a medal.

One of our reception class came to tell me on the day that they were feeling, "warm in her heart!" When I asked her why she told me that she was feeling very proud of her team mates! The whooping and cheering was a joy to hear and shows just how much the children understand the importance of teamwork.



A huge thanks to Miss Haydon for her magnificent organisation on the day, to the Ashcombe Sports Leaders who took the time to help us manage the medals and to FONS for providing the refreshments.

Next Year

As we approach the end of our year we are getting our teams ready for September and wanted to share the plans with you.

Hedgehogs team:

Mrs Priestley, Mrs Denysen, Mrs Hudson and Miss Cannon.

Foxes team:

Ms Langthorne, Mrs Rook, Mrs Laker, Mrs Woods, Mrs Walsh.

Owls Team:

Miss Haydon, Mrs Tomkins, Mrs Woods and Mrs Newton.

Mrs Holt-Miller will be working to support children with additional needs as well as those with barriers to learning through her ELSA role.

We are saying goodbye to Mrs Finn after many years at the school as a teaching assistant and mid-day meals

supervisor. We will be sad to see her go but know she will enjoy pursuing her love of the outdoors and she has promised to come back and visit us.

We are very happy to be welcoming Mrs Laker to the Year 1 and lunch team as well welcoming back Miss Cannon into the early years team.

We also have changes at our pre-school. We are sadly saying goodbye to Tammi Stamford as she moves on to new ventures. We want to send her our best wishes and thank her for her commitment and hard work over many years; we will miss her infectious enthusiasm which has brightened the lives of many children at the school and pre-school.

We are pleased to announce that we will be handing over the reins of pre-school to 2 of our very experienced and capable pre-school practitioners. Caroline Strudley will be taking on the Manager role and Nicky Clark the Deputy manager role. With years of experience under their belts and a good knowledge of the setting; we know the pre-school is in capable hands.

As well as re-joining the the Reception classroom Sasha Cannon will continue as part of the team in the role of SENCo. Her work as acting Manager has been invaluable this term, we are very grateful for all she has done in supporting the setting during this time of transition.

Take care and enjoy the weekend!

Paula Bliss (Headteacher)

DATES – SUMMER TERM 2023

Term dates – Monday 17th April – Friday, 21 July

May Bank Holiday – Monday 1 May

Half term dates – Monday, 29 May – Friday 2 June

INSET days – Monday 17 April & Friday 21 July

MONTH OF MAY – KS1 Tests – NO HOLIDAY FOR YEAR 2 WILL BE AUTHORISED

Diary Dates for Summer Term

17.04.23	INSET DAY
18.04.23	Back to School
May 2023	KS1 tests for Yr2 commence (see above note re: holidays)
01.05.23	Bank Holiday
08.05.23	Bank Holiday – King Charles III Coronation
26.05.23	Break up for half term
05.06.23	Back to School
10.06.23	May Queen (11.15am for 11.30am start)
12 th -16 th June	Phonics testing
14.06.23	Welcome Meeting for Parents of September intake 7.00pm
21.06.23	Yr 1 & Yr 2 Trip to Godstone Farm
28.06.23	Yr R Trip to The Lookout Discovery Centre
03.07.23	Story session for new intake 2.15-2.45pm
05.07.23	Sports Day 1.30pm
06.07.23	Teddy Bears Picnic (Yr R and Pre-school)
10.07.23	Story session for new intake 2.15-2.45pm
w/c 10.07.23	Reports to go out (all years)
12.07.23	<i>Rescheduled Sports Day (in case of bad weather) pm</i>
19.07.23	Yr2 Leavers' Service in the School Hall 2pm followed by Yr2 Leavers' Party
20.07.23	Break Up for Summer Holidays (2.00pm)
21.07.23	INSET Day



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