

This Week's News

28th April 2023

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Head Teacher Update

It has been another busy week as we head towards the bank holiday weekend. I am sure that the children will enjoy a long weekend. It has been another incredibly varied week in school this week. Our Year 3 children had a visit from JP Morgan to teach them about Cyber Security which is an absolutely key skill for them, not just in the present, but also in the future. I have been looking at the 4th Industrial Revolution this week and thinking about the skills and knowledge that children will need in terms of requirements for different jobs in the future. Technology will continue to be developed and the use of robotics and of course artificial intelligence. We will continue to review our curriculum to try and ensure our children are equipped with these skills for the future.

The Year 4 children enjoyed their trip to Poole Harbour and spotted some great wildlife which was brilliant and the weather was very kind to them too. Year 3 have had a great trip to the Winchester Science Centre and again came back very excited and enthused about their experience.

We have had a Governors meeting this week and along with the focus on Teaching and Learning, we discussed a range of topics that also included Health and Safety. One concern raised was the number of cars coming into the car park. We do have regular taxis who come to pick some of our children up each day and a very small number of parents who have a blue badge. No other cars should be using the car park in the morning or afternoon. I did try and be out as much as I could this week but I also have other meetings to attend in the morning and cannot be patrolling the entrance of the school. Thank you for considering the safety of our children.

Finally from me, I continue to be very proud and grateful to the team we have in school. Despite the high level of disruption from National Strikes our teachers have made the conscious decision to put the children first, as they always do. The School has continued to function as usual without any disruption at all to the children and of course to you as parents. Hopefully this dispute will be resolved as soon as possible and ALL children can continue with their Education.

I hope that you all enjoy the Bank holiday weekend and the sun shines for you.

John Bagwell

Headteacher

Diary Dates

Link to Key Dates

Fri 28th Apr	Chinwags 2.00 - 3.00pm
Fri 5th May	NO MINI ATHLETICS CLUB
Wed 17th May	Open Afternoon 3.15 - 4.15pm
Thurs 18th May	School Disco (see page 2 for times)
Fri 19th May	Dr Bike / Bike Breakfast Event
Fri 26th May	Parley Pentathlon

Deadlines

**Breakfast & After School Club
bookings must be made on
ParentMail 7 days before the
date you wish to book.**

**Please ensure bookings are made in
advance to avoid disappointment.**

School Attendance

Whole School - 94.1%

YR - 91.5%

Y1 - 94.6%

Y2 - 94.2%

Y3 - 96.0%

Y4 - 94.1%

The school day begins at

8.45am.

Gates open at 8.30am

INSET Days for 2023 - 24

We have had a few enquiries regarding the INSET days for 2023 - 2024 as many families are trying to plan their holidays. We are pleased to be able to let you know the dates:

Friday 1st September 2023

Friday 6th October 2023 *

Friday 9th February 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

* All of our INSET days are the same as the middle school, with the exception of Friday 6th October as we have specific training which has to take place on this date. Thank you for your understanding.

Bank Holidays

We would like to remind all parents that the school will be closed on **Monday 1st May** and **Monday 8th May** for the two Bank Holidays. Thank you very much.

Mini Athletics

We have been advised by Mini Athletics that **there will be no club running after school on Friday 5th May** due to staff shortages so please collect your child at the normal collection time at the end of the school day. If your child attends this club, you should have received a notification directly from Mini Athletics. Thank you.

School Disco

Our Summer Term School Disco will take place on **Thursday 18th May** at the following times:

Year R & Year 1: 4.30 - 5.30pm | Years 2, 3 & 4: 6.00 - 7.00pm

Open Afternoon

We will be holding another Open Afternoon on **Wednesday 17th May**, 3.15 - 4.15pm. This will be an opportunity for you to come into school with your child and see their wonderful work and learning spaces.

Dr Bike / Bike Breakfast Event

In conjunction with Sustrans, we will be holding another Dr Bike / Bike Breakfast event in school on **Friday 19th May**. This has been a hugely popular event in the past. Further details will be sent out nearer to the time so watch this space!

StampTastic

Last week we reminded our parents to ensure all children's belongings are clearly named. You can label your child's school uniform in under 15 minutes. Further details can be found by clicking the link below. Please also see the flyer on page 3. https://stamptastic.co.uk/#a_aid=608bd3ce5174c&a_bid=8ecb3fb2



If you change your contact details on ParentMail, please ensure you also advise the school office so we can verify the change.

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