

Academic Year 2018- 2019

Inset Days: 2018/2019

Mon 3rd Sept

Fri 19th Oct

Fri 15th Feb

Mon 22nd July

Tues 23rd July

Spring Term 2019

Starts: Thurs 3rd Jan

Half Term:

Mon 18th - Fri 22nd Feb

End of Term

Fri 5th April

Summer Term 2019

Starts: Tues 23rd April

Half Term:

Mon 27th -Fri 31st May

End of Term

Tuesday 23rd July

World Book day/dress up day—7th March

Red Nose Day—Non Uniform 15 th March £1 donation.

Non uniform Day for Easter Fair Chocolate donation—Fri 22nd March

Easter Fair Day—29th March

Easter Fair

The School **Easter Fair** will be held on **Friday 29th March** during the school day, just for the children to attend. Children will be released to parents at the normal end of the school day.

We will be holding a **Non-Uniform day on Friday 22nd March**—Please bring in something chocolaty in return for wearing your favourite funky clothes.

Full details for the creative Easter competitions for the children to compete in and create at home, will be sent out shortly. Children will need to bring in their entry on the day of the Easter fair.



Make £10 Grow

Mrs Geary's Make £10 Grow project of painting stones raised a fantastic £109.96.

The children had lots of fun decorating their pebbles.

Well done!



World Book day

The children dressed up for World book day on Thursday 7th March, we had some imaginative book characters in costume ranging from The Cat in the Hat, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Harry Potter and Matilda to name just a few. We have thoroughly enjoyed seeing all your lovely costumes.

The children were given the chance to tell their class who they have dressed up as and why. We did lots of fun and creative book based activities and the opportunity to work with other children and adults.

The children will be bringing home World book day vouchers, which can be spent at our Scholastic book fair being held during the week of 26th March.

Watch out for our Yr R class photo appearing in the Chichester Observer next week!

WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**
7 MARCH 2019

Red Nose Day

On Friday 15th March will be supporting Red Nose Day by inviting all the children and staff to bring in £1 to wear non-school uniform, which includes at least one item of red clothing or red accessories. Red Nose Day Merchandise will also be available at the School Office, to help raise further funds.

We hope you will support the fun event and we look forward to seeing everyone in red.



Coffee Morning

Thank to you those parents who attended our recent coffee morning. Once again, it was lovely to spend some time with you. Discussions this time were once again around parking at school drop off and pick up times. Parents expressed serious concerns about people not parking considerately and the risk this poses to children. The local council were discussing this at their meeting before half term. In the meantime, they have contacted the parking enforcement team at the District Council to ask that they send a regular traffic warden. I have also made the same request. It is hugely worrying and disappointing that despite St Peter's Church kindly agreeing that we can use their car park, parents and carers continue to park dangerously on the surrounding roads. Please can I ask again that more consideration is given to the safety of all our children.

If parents consider any behaviour to contravene safety it can be reported via operationcrackdown.org

If you consider parking has occurred illegally, it can be reported to Chichester District Council who deal with Civil Enforcement issues, at CCDParking@westsussex.gov.uk



Coffee morning continued.....

We also discussed the possibility of local business' working with the school which I will investigate more over the coming weeks. It was suggested that the days of the coffee mornings are varied to see if more people could attend so the next coffee morning is planned for Wednesday 3rd April, please come along if you are able to.



The Friends

Our PTA do a fabulous job of raising funds to support our school and the events are very much loved by the children. Sadly, Danielle, Chrissy and Trisha will be stepping down at the end of the year. We are therefore looking for new recruits! Being a member of the Friends is a great way to socialise with other parents, as well as doing a much valued role in supporting the school. Events such as the Christmas and Summer Fair are huge hits and we would hate to not have them anymore. If you think this is something you would be interested in, please speak to the office for a chat about what is involved.



School Communication

Just to remind you that we have a post box just inside the main door if you have letters, reply slips or money in sealed envelopes to hand in. Saves time queuing at the office!



We are aware that some parents may not be receiving messages via Parentmail. If you have changed your contact details, including your email address, please ensure the office have them. Some parents seem to be getting an email when a new message is available on the app whilst some aren't. Within the app, there is an option to turn on notifications, please spare a few minutes to do this to ensure you don't miss anything.

Parents Voice

At the recent Parent Voice group, it was suggested that parents may like to donate unwanted age appropriate children's books to the school to help raise funds. We would therefore like to invite you to have a clear out at home. We will put a box underneath the postbox for any donations. We will use any donations to sell at school fairs.



What has your class been learning

Yr R

Over the last couple of weeks, we have continued to learn about pirates! We made Pirate Pizzas! But they were not ordinary pizzas ... we chose toppings to add to our pizza but the names of the toppings were pirate themed! Instead of ham - we called it Pirate Ears!

In PE, we have been learning to work together through team games!

This week we visited our local beach to make our own Pirate Pebbles!

We have been really excited about having Pirate Charlie Bear and Pirate Billy Bear visit our homes!

Yr 1 & 2

The children visited St Anne's church to look at different artefacts associated with Christianity. We looked at the Lectern, font, isles and the pews. We also explored the many intricate stained glass windows and designed our own using colouring pencils.

Yr 1 & 2 enjoyed learning about Pirates. The children have made treasure maps, learnt compass point and Coordinates. We have also investigated the pirate Black Beard and all the terrible things he did.

Year 3 and 4

We have been continuing our learning about Mexico and we have learnt about Mayan Gods, temples and food. As part of our homework, we all made Mayan temples that are currently decorating the Year 3/ 4 corridor.

In English, we have been looking at the book Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and we have written a news report and we are going to be writing diary entries about our time in the factory. In maths, we have been learning about fractions. In year 3 we can spot and name fractions and in year 4 we can find equivalent fractions and now we are adding and subtracting fractions too.

Yr 5

Year 5 have recently been studying wax resist artwork. They have drawn pictures using wax crayons and then finished off their pieces by using watercolours. They have experimented with shading, various tones of colour and mixing. For World Book Day, they based their piece of artwork on the text that they have read recently. Lots of stunning jungle artwork was created and listening to jungle sounds and music really helped with their inspiration.

Yr 5/6

In Year 5/6, we have had lots of creative fun with feather art, exploring different types of medium.

"I liked using pastels to create hot and cold coloured feathers as it was creative and a fun thing to do",

Isabella, year 6.

"I liked the freestyle bit when we got to choose as it is different to drawing one thing,"

Frankie, year 6.

"I found the shading fun because you get to learn to press on pencils at different levels",

Holly, year 5.

"I liked the charcoal bit because it was messy",

Kierah, year 6