



North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our weekly newsletter

Summer 1

21st April

In this newsletter, find out about:

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A Message from Mrs Gordon



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the summer term, I hope that you had a lovely Easter break with your families. The children have come back to school eager to learn and get involved in all of the opportunities that are coming up.

We started the week with an assembly on our school value of 'achieve'. The children spoke about things that they achieved over the holidays and what they are looking forward to achieving this term. This is always a busy term with assessments in learning, sporting opportunities, productions and fund raising activities. I'm sure that everyone will achieve their goals.

Linked in with the theme of achieve, we also revisited our behaviour 'Golden Rules':

1. To belong we need to be **kind and helpful to one another.**
2. To belong we need to all be **safe at all times.**
3. To believe in ourselves and others we need to **respect each other and be polite.**
4. To achieve we need to be **ready to learn and responsible for ourselves.**
5. To achieve we need to **listen to others speak without interrupting them.**

We discussed prosocial behaviours that we want to see in school as well as the unsocial and anti-social behaviours that are not acceptable. It was made clear to the children that there will be consequences for these which may include missing some of their lunchtime to reflect on their behaviour and, hopefully, stop it from occurring again. I attach our Therapeutic Behaviour Policy with this email for your information.

Class celebrations

Year R- have been great animal detectives and found all sorts of minibeasts around the school. They spoke confidently in assembly about the beetles, spiders, woodlice, ladybirds, birds and worms that they saw on their hunt.

Year 1- have been learning how to tell the time and amazed Miss Guppy with how quickly they grasped the concept and made progress. They have come back to school with a great attitude for learning.

Year 2- have been listening very carefully in class this week. They have followed adults' instructions and also listened carefully to each other, which is very important.

Year 3 - Had to be very resilient in their computing lesson this week using the programme Paint. They had to try and recreate a Lowry style picture that they had drawn in art. They found that even though computers do make some things easier, in this case, they didn't and old style paper and pencils was easier.

Year 4- had a great first session in Forest School this week and even made their own ancient cartouches- a clay tablet that you carve your insignia onto. They used sticks and other natural resources to do it.

Year 5- have been using role play in lots of creative ways this week. They used it to play 'Guess the angle' in maths and to reinact the Greek Myths- King Midas and The Golden Touch' as well as 'Creation Story'.

Year 6- have also been very creative and challenged themselves to create some abstract art using circles. Their designs were all different and very intricate.

PTA News

Over the holidays our Year 1 outside area was transformed using funding raised by all of our amazing PTA events over the last two years. Mr Burroughs and one of our governors, Mr Barr, put up a canopy so that the children can play outside in all weathers and Mrs Cruttenden re-organised the resources so that everything is more accessible. There is more to be done but it is looking great and the children have loved being out there this week. The nurture room is also taking shape, having been painted over the holidays. Thank-you again for all of your fund raising efforts.

Our Bags2School this week raised £164 which will go towards another school project- news of which coming soon.

Have a lovely weekend

Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

The year 1 outside space



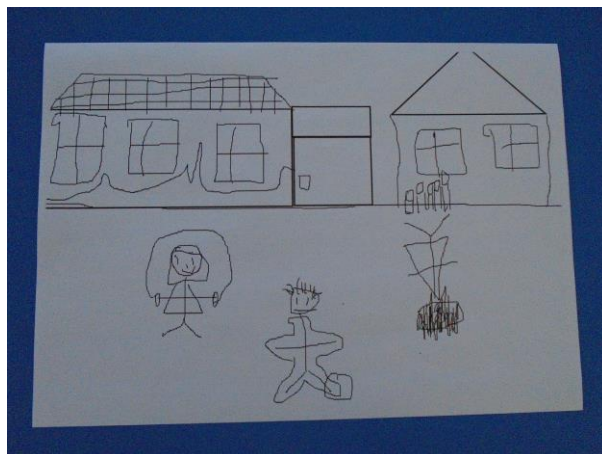
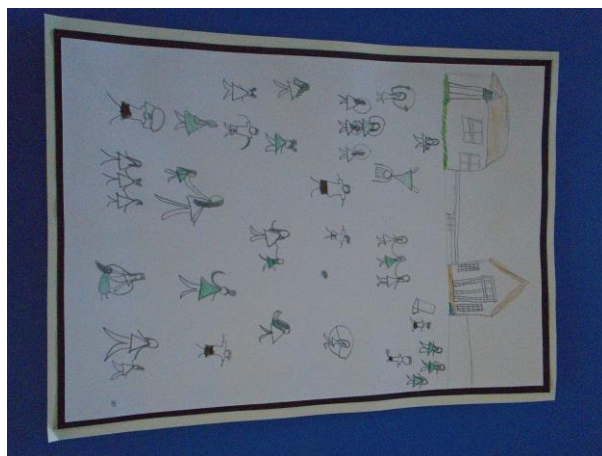




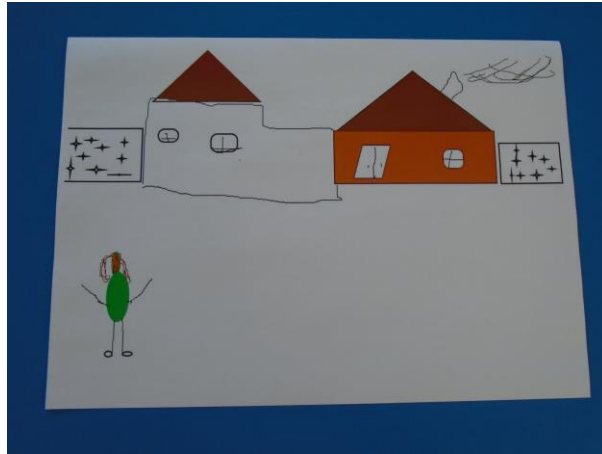
Year 3 try computer art



1 - drawing the old fashioned way!



2 - Computer generated art



Year R go on a an animal hunt







The new nurture room takes shape.



Reminders and Notices



Notices

Teacher Strike Dates 27th April and 2nd May

Some of our teachers will be striking on these days and, therefore, we will need to close some of the classes.

Thursday 27th May- **Years 4, 5 and 6 will be closed. All other classes remain open.**

Tuesday 2nd May- **Year 4 will be closed. All other classes remain open.**

I realise that this will cause difficulty for some parents and I am sorry for that. However, as a school, we fully support our colleagues in this strike and I have had to make a difficult decision based on balancing this with the needs of the children and the feasibility of keeping the school open.

Some Year 6 children will be doing Bikeability on the 27th and they will still be able to it. Mrs Teakle will contact parents with arrangements for this separately.

Children in receipt of Pupil Premium are still able to attend school (please let the office know if you would like your child to attend).

If this arrangement means that you need to keep a sibling of a child in these classes off school, this absence will be authorised in this instance.

Thank-you for your understanding.

School Clubs

You should have received a letter about this yesterday listing all of the clubs available for this term. Please return the slips as soon as possible and note that spaces are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Book Fair

We will be holding our annual book fair later on this term:

Celebrate reading at our Book Fair! The Book Fair will be arriving in school soon, with hundreds of new children's books to browse and buy. There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from only £2.99, there's sure to be a book for everyone. Don't forget that every book you buy can help to get FREE BOOKS for our school library.

Hot School Meals

Please remember to order meals for your child (even if you don't have to pay) otherwise they are allocated a plain baked potato, which may not be very happy with!

Borrowed team kit

If your child has represented the school recently in any sport, please make sure that you have returned the kit so that we have it available for next time. This includes the running t-shirts that were given out for the Chichester Corporate runs.

Trainers

Please note that children should only wear trainers on PE or Forest School days. On all other days, they must wear black school shoes. If there is a problem with this, please let the office know.

King Charles' Coronation

We will be holding a celebration tea party on Thursday 4th May in the afternoon. On this day the children should come to school in red, white and/or blue. We will be celebrating in style and children can make a crown or hat for the occasion that fits with the theme of coronation.

Help for Year 1 Learning Journey

Year 1 are learning about our school through the years and Miss Guppy has asked if there are any family members who attended the school in the past who would be happy to share their experiences.

A YOUTH GROUP FOR YOUNG

St Stephens Church is running



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Term – time Wednesdays

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Internet Safety



We continue to focus on Online safety as a school and will revisit it throughout the year.

If you have children who play on the play station, please read the attached information about how you can make sure that they do so safely.

PlayStation 5



The PlayStation 5 (PS5) launched on the 15th of November 2020. Although different games carry different risks, PlayStation offers extensive parental controls for the PS5 to ensure a safer and more secure experience for children and young people in your care.

Parental Controls

If your child or young person is receiving a PS5 as an upgrade from the PS4, simply sign in with the same PlayStation Network. Your previously chosen parental controls from the PS4 will remain in place.

To access parental controls, you will need to use an internet browser to create your own account for PlayStation Network as well as an account for each child. By setting up your child's account, you will automatically be designated as the family manager, ensuring full control over settings. **Make sure you adjust settings to stop children from changing parental controls themselves.**

To change Parental Settings on the PlayStation Network:



- Sign in to your PlayStation Network account online.
- Go to **Settings**.
- Select the Family and Parental Controls and then Family Management.
- Select the account you wish to alter.

Here you can find the following features:

- Parents can choose to a preset restriction for 3 levels including: **child, early teens, and late teens or older.**
- Age Restrictions for all purchases can be set by a parent or carer.
- Parents can configure how long children and young people can play a PlayStation console with playtime restrictions.
- Playstation allows parents to turn off any features that facilitate in-game communication with other players. This can be turned on and off for specific games.
- Parents can set monthly spending limits on the account, to ensure no nasty surprises or 'bill shocks'.
- Playstation now offers the use of Virtual Reality (VR) headsets, please note these are not for use by any child under the age of 12 years old.
- You can also turn off internet browsing.

To block a user on your PlayStation Network follow these steps:



1. Select your local user account, press up on the control pad to access the **Function menu** and select **Friends**.
2. Either search for the online ID or select the user from your Friends list that you want to block.
3. Select **Options** and then **Block** to add the user to your 'Players Blocked' list.

To report a user on your PlayStation via their profile:



1. Open the **Player's** profile.
2. Press the Options button on your controller.
3. Select **Report**.
4. Choose **Something in Profile**.
5. Select the reason you're **reporting** the **player**, and then follow the instructions to complete the **report** and submit it directly to Sony.

Dates for the diary



24th April- first Year 3 swimming

24th-27th April- year 6 Bikeability*

27th April - Teacher strike day- **Years 4, 5 and 6 closed all other classes open**

27th April- PTA meeting 7pm

28th April- Y1 PE event (selected children)

1st May- Mayday bank holiday

2nd May- teacher strike Day- **Year 4 closed all other classes open**

3rd may- Y3 Bignor visit

4th May- Coronation celebration

5th May- Year 5 canoeing

8th May- Coronation bank holiday

9-12th April- year 6 SATs

15-19 May- Year 6 Cobnor

15-19 May year 2 SATs

18th May- Rubicon skate event*

19th May- Year 5 canoeing

25th May- Class photos

26th May- INSET

29th May- 2nd June- Half term

8th and 9th June- Year 4 Phonics screening Check

13th and 14th June- Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

16th June- Wood Fair- East Dean- Year 6*
16th June- Summer Fair*
20th June- year 1 trip to Marwell Zoo*
21st June am- YR, 1 and 2 Sports' day*
21st June- pm- year 3 and 4 Sports' day*
22nd June- am- year 5 and 6 Sports' day*
28th June- Choir performance*
30th June- Arts' evening*
5th July- Transition Day*
12 and 13th July- Year 5/6 production*
18th July- Celebration of Work*
20th July- Year 6 Leavers' assembly (parents welcome) 9am*
21st July- break up
*- more details to follow

Please note that more dates will be added in future newsletters.

INSET Days 2022-2023

(All INSET days are either at the beginning or end of a school holiday, we ask that you take advantage of these for family holidays or long weekends and DO NOT book holidays in term time.)

26th May 2023

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