

# North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our weekly newsletter

Summer 5

19th May 2023

In this newsletter, find out about:

- Mrs Gordon's message and school news
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## A Message from Mrs Gordon



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have had a good week. Our Year 6 pupils have excelled all expectations at Cobnor Activity Centre this week. They were very lucky with the weather and were able to complete all planned activities. They showed their resilience and determination in everything and worked really well as a team to achieve all sorts of new things. It has been a delight to see them develop over the

week. I'm sure they are all exhausted after their busy time. A huge thank-you to Mrs Teakle, Mr Orchard, Mrs Gill and Mrs Berger who organised the week and supported the children so well.

In other news...

#### Class celebrations

**Year R-** have been creative scientists drawing, designing, labelling and writing about their own made up animals. Some of the children showed their work to the rest of the school and spoke confidently about their design choices.

**Year 1-** Have done brilliantly with their KIRF this half term. the have been learning how to tell the time to o clock and half past and done lots of practice. They have really improved their original scores and some are becoming more confident with quarter past the hour as well.

**Year 2-** Well done year 2 for working so hard on your reading comprehension booklets this weekwell done!

**Year 3** - Year 3 have been working really hard on their spellings. The class have been learning a spelling of the week using rainbow, pyramid and graffiti writing to help them learn spelling patterns and also think of other words with similar patterns. Then the children have been writing dictations using the words in context. Everyone is so much better at remembering their punctuation and joining and most children are remembering the spellings too. Fantastic work!

**Year 4**- Have been getting into the spirit of advertising next week's Book Fair with some creative designs.

**Year 5-** Demonstrating an excellent array of softball skills such as catching, throwing and batting. Also being able to apply these new skills to a game situation (T-Ball). Some coaches from Chichester baseball and Softball club came and were very impressed. Any child aged 8-12 can join the club- see flyer below for more details.

Year 5 also had their second canoeing experience today. They improved their skills further and really impressed everyone with their confidence and team work. Thank-you again to Mr and Mrs Barr who gave up their time to teach the children. They very much hope that some of the children will join the canoe club and make it a regular thing.

On Wednesday all classes in school from YR to Y5 were taught scooting and skateboard skills by Alex from Rubicon. Many of the children were nervous to start with but developed their confidence in a very short period of time. Hopefully it will encourage them to be more active outside and who knows maybe we will have a future Sky Brown in our midst.

Some of our Year 1 children were interviewed by V2 Radio this week. They were asked lots of questions and some of them will be broadcast next week between 8 and 8.30 so listen out.

And finally, good luck to all of our swimmers who are taking part in the 2023 Chichester primary schools gala. It will be a busy event and I am sure that everyone will do their best.

Have a lovely weekend

Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

## Scooting and skating



























Year 5 improve their canoeing skills and explore the canal some more





















Year 6 residential in Cobnor

















Year 5 try out their baseball skills





## Reminders and Notices



#### **Notices**

#### **Grounds Evening**

On Monday 19th June we will be having another grounds' evening. These have been really well attended in the past and it is a huge help to the school. If you can spare a couple of hours on the 19th, please let either Mr Burroughs or the school office know. There will be a letter with more information nearer the date.

#### Year 6 bike ride to Selsey

This will be taking place on Tuesday 11th July. There will be a letter with more information after half term.

#### **Book Fair**

#### We will be holding our annual book fair from 22-24 May

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. There will be contactless payment. See below for more information and a QR code so that you can pay online.

#### **Class Photos**

These will be taken next Thursday morning. Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform on this day. If they usually have PE, children should bring their kit.

#### **INSET Day**

Please note that our final INSET day of the year is next Friday before half term.

#### Year 4 Visit to Solar Farm

Next Tuesday, year 4 have a whole day focused on solar energy as part of their science lessons for this term. They will learn about solar energy in the morning and then visit the local solar farm in the afternoon. Parents have received a letter about this today.

#### Previous announcements you may have missed

#### **Summer Fair**

Our PTA are busy planning the Circus themed summer fair and hope that you will be able to join us on the 16th June. Please look out for PTA communication about this event. If you are able to donate a raffle prize or service of any kind (or you know someone who can), please let us know as soon as possible. There will be a non-school uniform day on 9th June in return for donations for the tombolas.





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## **Internet Safety**



Some excellent advice from the NSPCC website:

Talking regularly with your child is the greatest tool to help keep them safe online. Talking regularly and making it part of daily conversation, like you would about their day at school, will help your child feel relaxed. It also means when they do have any worries, they're more likely to come and speak to you.

But it can also be easy to become overwhelmed with the different technology, the language that children use, the huge number of games and apps which are available and the potential risks.

# Dates for the diary



23rd May-

25th May- Class photos

26th May- INSET

29th May- 2nd June- Half term

8th and 9th June- Year 4 Multiplication check

9th June- non school uniform day for Summer fair\*

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

14th June- Choir rehearsal

16th June- Wood Fair- East Dean- Year 6\*

16th June-Summer Fair\*

19th June- Grounds evening

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.)

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