



North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter

Spring 5

22nd March 2024

In this newsletter, find out about:

- **Mrs Gordon's message and school news**
- **OPAL updates**
- **Reminders and Notices**
- **Internet Safety**
- **Upcoming events**

A Message from Mrs Gordon



Dear Parents and Carers,

Today was our second annual poetry slam - and what an event!

To celebrate the spoken work and the reciting of poems. Auditions were held in class on Wednesday, which proved a fun and in some classes a hilarious session! Thank you to all the children that prepared poems and took part. At the event today, everybody did their very best: poets reciting their own poems, readers using expression to read aloud different poems and the audience, who listened

with respect, admiration and enjoyment. It was a great event and we are proud of everyone involved. Here's a quick limerick to make you smile:

The School Assembly

At the school assembly, we meet,
With performances that can't be beat.
With a clap and a cheer,
For our peers so dear,
It's a gathering that's quite a feat.

Some quotes from pupils about the event:

Elsie and Chloe: 'It was so good - we liked Tommy's poem because it was really funny. His acting was so good too.'

Harrison and Jaxx: 'It was awesome, because there were so many great ideas. It was really cool. They were all funny.'

Tommy: 'I enjoyed the poetry slam; I liked hearing other people's and acting out mine. It was great fun'.

Last week we held out TT Rockstars day. It was great to see all of the pupils and staff dressed up and rocking away as well as practising their times tables of course. The children (year2-6) have their log-in information and can practise on this easily accessible platform at home and at school.

Year R went off to Goodwood Homefarm on Monday. They managed to dodge the showers and had a very good day exploring the environment, meeting staff and seeing lots of cows. They had a great day and were very good ambassadors for our school on their first day out. Well done Ladybirds!

Dragonfly Class were also out and about this week. On Thursday they visited The Titanic exhibition in Southampton. It was a very busy day, starting with an art workshop making clay models of the ship and then finding out about the great disaster that had such an impact on Southampton. They found out some fascinating facts- such as the two engine room workers who escaped up the secret funnel ladder and the First Class passenger who had 70 dresses with her (for a 6 day trip!!). The children have put all their learning to use today in writing. Great work Dragonfly Class.

Bumblebee Class have been historians as well and have been finding out about The Great Fire of London. Last Thursday they had a visit from John Gray who came to tell them about living in London in 1666 and this week they saw how quickly the fire spread when they set fire to their own model houses (safely with a lot of help from Mr Orchard and Mr Burroughs!). The children produced some excellent writing about the fire, working independently and using their phonics.

Year 4 shared their clarinet learning on Wednesday with parents and carers. In a short time, they have learnt a lot, thanks to Mrs Milne.

Sporting News

We had a dry evening last Wednesday for the second Chichester corporate challenge race. Once again the children all ran very well, many beat their previous times and once again were great support for each other.

On Wednesday our swimming team went to Fepham to take part in the area schools gala. The team did very well against tough competition and came 4th out of 16 schools. Excellent effort from everyone!

Sadie said: 'I was nervous when we got there, but it was really fun. The girls came 5th in our freestyle relay and 3rd in our medley relay. I think we did really well. I came 2nd in my race overall and won a silver medal. I have never done a swimming gala before so I didn't know what to expect. I liked how supportive everyone was and the atmosphere was alive.'

Our year 5 and 6 girls joined other local teams in a football tournament this afternoon. Having practised earlier on in the week, it was great to see them take part as a team.

Erin: We came second and played well as a team.

Emily: we only lost one match, and that's incredible!

This week it was neurodiversity week and we have spent some time in assembly and in class celebrating all of the different neuro-diverse differences and how important it is to accept and embrace everyone's differences whatever they may be.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher



Year 6 trip to The Titanic exhibition in Southampton













Our Poetry Slam







swimming gala







Corporate Challenge





Ladybirds go to Goodwood farm





Girls' Football tournament





OPAL- Outside Play and Learning



Our new play rangers are now in post and doing an excellent job setting up activities, gathering pupil voice, contributing to play assemblies and encouraging everyone to tidy up. Well done team!

Many thanks

Internet Safety



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<http://www.netsmartzkids.org>

With the holidays coming up, it's a good time to find out what your child does online and ensure that parental controls are in place. There are many ways to protect your child and keep them safe online.

Check out [this link](#) for more details.

Important Notices



Notices

Easter Church service

On Wednesday we will be going to St Stephens Church for our Easter service. It will start at 9.30 (approx) Year 6 will still have PE so should come to school in PE kit but they **MUST** have a school jumper or cardigan on. Year 5 and Year 2 will have Forest School so should wear Forest School clothes but **MUST** also wear a school jumper or cardigan. If you are able to walk to the church with us, we will leave at 9.00- please let your child's class teacher know.

Bunny Bootcamp

On Tuesday all children should come to school in PE kit for their Easter themed 'Bunny Bootcamp' sessions. Sponsorship money and donations should be brought to school in cash on Tuesday.

DragonFly Class- art project

On Tuesday next week, Dragonfly Class will be creating art installations illustrating the issue of plastic pollution in our oceans.

To support this, we are asking for clean donations of the following items:- plastic bottles, containers, pots and wrappers- bottle tops, packaging, tin foil, fruit netting- straws, wires, paper waste

Please can any donations be brought to Year Six on or before Tuesday next week.

Parking in Playing Fields Car Park

Please ensure that you park responsibly in the car park and within the painted lines so that as many of our families can park safely there as possible. Many thanks.

IRock Assembly

All parents and carers of IRock pupils are invited to an assembly on Monday morning at 9.00 where the children will share their learning this term.

Archery

Our Thursday morning club will be archery after Easter instead of Fencing- see below for more details.

Clubs

Please note that all teacher run clubs have finished for this term. New club lists will come out in the first week of term.

Meal ordering

Please remember to order meals in time for the new term.

Bags2School

If you get a chance over Easter, have a good sort out and fill up some bags for our collection on 9th May. This is the last time we get 50p per kilo so it's worthwhile.

Foodbank

Please let us know if you need any help with food over Easter and we can apply for Foodbank vouchers over the holidays. We know the holidays can be expensive and how much children eat!! Let us help you.

Parental Consent

Many thanks to everyone who has completed all of the parental consent on the MCAS app. If you have not done so, please do as soon as possible so that we have the up to date information.

Many thanks for your co-operation in these matters.

HAF flyer

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD (HAF) FOR CHILDREN

Children and young people aged 4 to 6 who are eligible* for benefits related free school meals can take part in free clubs during the Easter, Summer and Winter holidays. A free nutritious meal is provided as part of the scheme. Visit our website to find activities near you and book your place.

*Check eligibility on the webpage and find information about further support and activities available. Places are limited. Paid-for-places may be available, contact individual clubs for availability.



The more
we weigh,
the more
they pay!



Let's Help Each Other

Last drop-
off at 9am
on 9th May

Donations Needed

<p>Coats Hats Towels Curtains Handbags Jewellery</p>	 <p>www.bag2school.com</p>	<p>Clothes Ties Shoes Soft Toys Belts Bedding</p>
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THURSDAY 9TH MAY

Please fill-up your OWN bags - NO WEIGHT LIMIT
(NO uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets,
or pieces of fabric PLEASE)



Last collection
at 50p per kilo,
let's make the
most of it!

DONATE NOW

Donation bags to be dropped off from
Monday 6th May onwards at the school reception



BUNNY BOOTCAMP
TUESDAY 26TH MARCH
Event will take place during school hours.

Sponsor your 'Little Bunny' for a day full of fitness & fun!

SPONSORSHIP FORMS TO BE SENT HOME



JC SPORTS ARCHERY CLUB

ARCHERY CLUB
 THURSDAYS BSC 7:45AM-8:30AM

£34.50



North Mundham Primary School

JC Sports are now offering a high quality Archery Club for 4-12yrs at North Mundham Primary School. Starting on the W/C 15th April and running until the W/C 20th May 2024. This club will be open for all abilities.

Scan the QR Code and it will take you to our booking Page to sign up!

Booking Link: <https://jc-sportsonline.classforkids.io/term/414>



SWIM SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MONTH: February 2024

DID YOU KNOW?

DID YOU KNOW! – Search, rescue and emergency services respond to over 100,000 water and flood related incidents a year?

DID YOU KNOW! – Most of these incidents are the result of simple mistakes such as slips and trips into water?

DID YOU KNOW! – The furthest point from the coast in the UK is 77 miles!

DID YOU KNOW! – There are nearly 1500 river systems totalling 200,000km in the UK

Being an island nation and with so much of the country being covered in water coming in to contact with potential hazards is a daily risk for so many people. Equipping ourselves and those around us with the simple skills to identify risks and how to manage situations should the worst happen is a vital life skill. Learning to be safe around water at a young age can open up so many life options both recreational and professional.

DID YOU KNOW starting lessons as soon as possible is key to Water Safety/Developing a skill/Having Fun in/around Water where ever that may be

FOR MORE INFORMATION or TO JOIN Swimming Lessons please use the QR code on the back or call the team on 01243 785651 Option 1

SWIM LESSON MARCH OFFER

Join on swimming lessons this February and you will receive:

- 5 Free Family Swims
- 3 Active Ants Sessions
- 1 Free Badminton/Short Tennis Court
- Worth £130

Plus the KIDS PASS with massive savings!

Offer ends 20.4.2024

Call us on 01243 785651 Option 1 or email the team: WestgateMA@everyoneactive.com
We look forward to seeing you soon!

A colorful promotional graphic. At the top, it says 'SAVE OVER £180 ON FAMILY DAYS OUT' in large, bold letters. Below this, it says 'WITH A FREE 6 MONTHS TRIAL'. The background features a family of four (two adults and two children) enjoying a day out. At the bottom, there is a small text box that says 'Enrol on swimming lessons, join a sports school course or book a children's birthday party to claim yours!'. The logo 'everyone ACTIVE' is at the bottom right.

EVERYONE IS KEEPING YOU UPDATED

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WHY JOIN EVERYONE ACTIVE LESSONS?

- Lessons are available up to 50 weeks of the year and up to 7 days a week, with a break over the Christmas period.
- Lessons available for students from 4 months old.
- Students are assessed regularly and moved up as soon as they are ready for the next stage.
- Qualified and DBS checked teachers/coaches.
- Badges and certificates are available.
- Lessons available at over 200 centres.
- Some courses will have access to 'AquaPassport' or 'SportPassport' to track progress, play online games and collect trophies.

JOIN NOW

SCAN ME



ADULT SWIMMING LESSONS

Our adult swimming lessons cater for all abilities. From complete beginners, all the way to people who are confident in the water but want to improve their stroke technique, stamina and overall ability. We also offer lessons in additional skills, including diving, water safety and distance swimming.

Be Water Confident

These classes give you an introduction to the pool, helping to build your confidence in the water alongside learning basic aquatic skills. These classes take place in shallow water, helping you build confidence in safety.

Be a Swimmer

With the goal of you managing to swim a short distance, this element of our adult swimming lessons help you to develop your confidence both in and around the water.

Be a Better Swimmer

Improve your stamina and stroke technique and gain confidence swimming in deeper water. The goal for these lessons is to support you to swim distances of up to 50 metres on your front and back with good technique.

EVERYONE CELEBRATE WITH US



SWIMMING POOL BIRTHDAY PARTIES



Dates for the diary



26th March - Bunny Bootcamp

27th March- Easter Church service

27th March- Corporate Challenge 3

28th March- Break up for Easter

14th April- return to school after Easter

24th April- Wizard of OZ performance 1 (2pm)

25th April- Wizard of OZ performance 2 (6pm)

6th May- Bank holiday- school closed

9th May- Bags2School

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

*- more details to follow

INSET Days 2023-24

(Nearly 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.)

Friday 24th May 2024

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