



# North Mundham Primary School



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## News



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a very busy couple of weeks both in and out of school. This week, we have had fun exploring all things reading and have had two author visits as well to inspire our children to read and maybe even write more. On Wednesday we started our assembly with the whole school reading a favourite book, which was very powerful. On Thursday it was wonderful to see so many wonderful costumes and colourful characters representing favourite books and stories. Let's hope the children continue to be inspired on their reading journeys.

Last week year 5 and 6 went to Chichester Festival Theatre to see 'The Boy at the Back of the Class'- they were wowed with the story, acting and came back to school buzzing about it. On Thursday Mrs Ford, Miss Hull and I took a group of 20 dancers to Worthing Pavilion Theatre to perform our 'Great Kapok Tree' dance about a huge tree in the rainforest that is destined to be destroyed. The dancers performed as animals who were desperately trying to persuade 'the man' to not cut it down. They performed brilliantly as a group, supporting each other and dancing with confidence and joy. There was also an opportunity for everyone to have a good old boogie (including teachers) at the silent disco on Friday. Thank-you very much to the PTA who organised the event, which was a lot of fun and enjoyed by all.

In sporting news, Year 2 had an opportunity to learn some cricket skills on Wednesday. They went to The Arena in Bognor and practised bowling, throwing, catching and played some cricket inspired games. the children were excellently behaved and came back full of enthusiasm. Last Wednesday was the first of the three Corporate Challenge races and we had a running team of 18 runners in the 4 races, Everyone tried their best and ran very well in the wet and cold conditions. We look forward to the next one on Wednesday 13th. Today all of the children have had an opportunity to try out their scooting and skateboarding skills with the Rubicon team. We did this last year and it proved

very popular so it was great to see them working on improving and trying out tricks that they had remembered from the previous year.

#### Class celebrations

This week was the turn of Bumblebee, Butterfly and Praying Mantis Classes to celebrate their learning in assembly.

Bumblebee Class- have been working very hard in science and learnt lots of facts about sun safety. Lots of the children were able to share their knowledge confidently in assembly as well. We were also very proud of Bumblebee Class in their own class assembly last week when they amazed us all with their singing and telling us about their learning. Well done!

Butterfly Class have been very creative in their art lessons and made some beautiful printing designs using the theme of ammonite fossils from their geography work.

Praying Mantis Class have been doing some assessments this week and Mr Tran was very pleased with their results, which in many cases had doubled since last time- fantastic!

I'm sure everyone is exhausted after such a busy time!

Wishing a very happy Mothering Sunday to all of you mums and primary carers- have a lovely day!

Best Wishes

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

Dancehouse and Chichester Music Festival





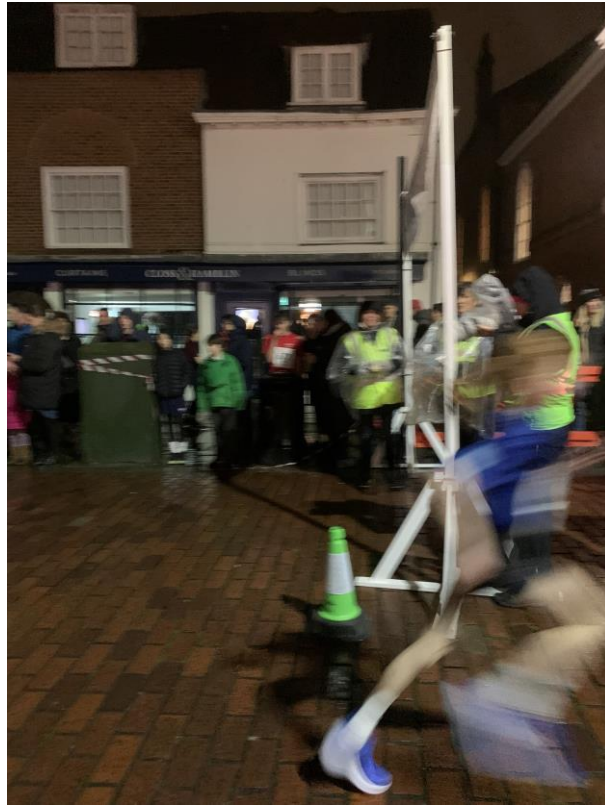






Corporate Challenge





World Book Day





















Year 2 Cricket





Skateboarding!













Disco fun!













## Reminders and Notices



### **Parents' Evenings**

Please remember to book a Parents' Evening slot if you haven't already done so. If you can't make the times below, please contact the office or your child's teacher and we will try and make an alternative arrangement.

Year R- Wed 13th and Thurs 14th March

Year 1- Mon 11th and Thurs 14th March

Year 2- Wed 12th and Thurs 14th March

Year 3- Tues 12th and Wed 13th March

Year 4- Tues 12th and Wed 13th March

Year 5- Tues 12th and Wed 13th March

Year 6- Wed 13th and Thurs 14th March

### **School Run Clubs**

There will be no school run clubs next week due to Parents' evenings. External clubs (football, judo, dance, fencing) will all be running.

### **Year 4 Clarinet sharing**

Children in Year 4 have been learning the clarinet this term and on Wed 20th March at 2.30 parents will have the opportunity to come and see/hear what they have been learning. All Year 4 parents and carers are welcome.

### **Easter church service**

This will be on Wed 27th March at 9.30. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. Please let the office know if you will be attending and if you can help us with the walk down to the church (leaving school at 9.05).

### **HAF Holiday schemes**

If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium funding, then you can apply for a place on a fully funded holiday scheme in the Easter holidays. If you do not have a code to apply for this, please ask in the school office. [This email address](#) is the contact.

**MMR vaccines**

The NHS has launched a catch up campaign for MMR. If your child has not been immunised, you can follow [this link](#) to book an appointment.

**TT Rockstars day**

As part of our Science and Maths week, we will be having a TT Rockstars day focused on times tables. Your child can come to school dressed as a rock star that day (see previous letter for details). All children from Year 2-6 will be practising their times table skills on the day. Years R and 1 will be doing lots of other maths activities.

Multiply - get skills for free bus flyer



# Multiply

## Get Skills for Free

West Sussex County Council has partnered with the Government's UK shared prosperity fund to deliver **free local courses and activities for adults (aged 19+)** who do not already have a GCSE grade c/4 or higher in Maths or equivalent and want to improve their numeracy skills. The programme's focus is to support residents with engaging in free training and activities including:



- Improving your number confidence
- Confidence in helping your children with their homework
- Gain numeracy skills to help you with employment/career progression
- Learning new skills in your local community
- Helping your small business go greener

We are here to serve our communities and we will be parking our mobile classroom in central locations around West Sussex throughout March. Do come and visit us and find out more about the programmes and the outstanding training providers at the locations shown below.

Monday 4th	Tuesday 5th	Wednesday 6th	Thursday 7th	Friday 8th	Saturday 9th
Crawley	Crawley	Chichester	Chichester College	Aldridge Adult learning	Home
Queens Square, Crawley RH10 1HA	Queens Square, Crawley RH10 1HA	County Hall, West St, Chichester PO19 1RG	Westgate Fields, PO19, Chichester PO19 1SB	Chalky Rd, Mile Oak, Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN41 2WF	Having a rest
11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th
Crawley	Crawley	Chichester	Worthing Promenade	Aldingbourne Trust Country Centre	Petworth National Trust
Queens Square, Crawley RH10 1HA	Queens Square, Crawley RH10 1HA	County Hall, West St, Chichester PO19 1RG	Marine Parade, Worthing BN11 3PX	Blackmill Lane, Norton, Chichester PO18 0JP	Petworth GU28 9LR
18th	19th	20th	21st	22nd	 Please scan the QR code for more information
Crawley	Crawley	Chichester College Group	Worthing Promenade	Worthing Promenade	
Queens Square, Crawley RH10 1HA	Queens Square, Crawley RH10 1HA	Westgate Fields, PO19, Chichester PO19 1SB	Marine Parade, Worthing BN11 3PX	Marine Parade, Worthing BN11 3PX	
25th	26th	27th	28th		
Crawley	Crawley	Making Theatre Gaining Skills	Worthing Promenade		
Queens Square, Crawley RH10 1HA	Queens Square, Crawley RH10 1HA	58-60 Longford Rd, Bognor Regis PO21 1AG	Marine Parade, Worthing BN11 3PX	<a href="http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/ALS">www.westsussex.gov.uk/ALS</a>	Tel: 0330 222 4400



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## Pre-order a book



Children's author David Fuller will be visiting the school on Tuesday 5th March 2024, talking to the KS2 children about his life as a writer.

If you would like your child to secure a signed and dedicated copy of any of his Alfie Jones books, or the brand-new spin-off title starring Alfie's friend Chloe Reed, then they are

available to pre-order at the reduced price of £4.50 (usually £5) and will be handed out to your child on the day of the visit.

Please visit [www.alfie-jones.co.uk](http://www.alfie-jones.co.uk) for more information about the author and his books.

BOOK		QUANTITY	PRICE
TOTAL			
Alfie Jones and a Change of Fortune (book 1)	_____	£4.50	_____
Alfie Jones and a Test of Character (book 2)	_____	£4.50	_____
Alfie Jones and the Missing Link (book 3)	_____	£4.50	_____
Alfie Jones and an Uncertain Future (book 4)	_____	£4.50	_____
Alfie Jones and the Big Decision (book 5)	_____	£4.50	_____
Alfie Jones and a Crisis of Confidence (book 6)	_____	£4.50	_____
Alfie Jones and a Tremendous Temptation (book 7)	_____	£4.50	_____
Chloe of the Comets	_____	£4.50	_____
Set of any three books (please state which 3)	_____	£12.50	_____
Full set of seven Alfie Jones books	_____	£28	_____
Total			_____

To pre-order a signed book, please make a BACS payment of the appropriate amount to:

\Mr D Fuller; sort code 40-34-35; account number 01097113 (please quote your child's name and class for reference) and advise via email ([publishing.rdf@gmail.com](mailto:publishing.rdf@gmail.com)) that payment has been made; and to let us know which book(s) you would like and who they should be dedicated to.



To ensure your child receives their book(s) on the day of the visit, please make payment and email notification by Monday 4th March.



GOODWOOD RACECOURSE

## Schools Racecard Art Competition

A fun opportunity for Primary School children to create an artwork design that will be entered into a competition.

The winning design will be included in the racecard at Goodwood's Family Race Day on  
**Sunday 9 June**

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Open to Primary School ages

### Themes

Racing Colours | Horses Galloping | Jockeys

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Submit by  
**17 May**

**RACING  
TO SCHOOL**



Submissions to  
**[emma@jsccomms.co.uk](mailto:emma@jsccomms.co.uk)**



## Dates for the diary



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11th March- Alien day- Bumblebee Class

11th March- Science week

11th March- Parents' Evenings this week

12th March- Dance Festival in school

13th March- Corporate Challenge 2

14th March- Great Fire of London experience day- Bumblebee Class

14th March- Ladybird Class- Year R Class Assembly

15th March- TT Rockstars Day

20th March- Year 5/6 Swimming gala\*

20th March- Year 4 Clarinet Assembly- parents and carers welcome

21st March- Year 6 visit to Sea City Titanic Museum

22nd March- Poetry Slam\*

27th March- Easter Church service

27th March- Corporate Challenge 3

28th March- Break up for Easter

14th April- return to school after Easter

22nd April- Grounds Evenings

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

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



## Contact us



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