

# North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter

Spring 2

### 31st January

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,

As part of our focus on school value 'Believe' this week we have been thinking about Growth Mindset. In Monday's assembly, we considered and saw examples of having a 'Fixed Mindset' as opposed to a 'Growth Mindset'. The children were able to reflect on their own mindsets and when more of a growth mindset might have helped them to believe in themselves and achieve their goal. We talked about how it makes you feel and how we can learn from failure and mistakes. As always, the children engaged very well in these discussions and also spoke of them during the week.

Last week, there were some tea parties enjoyed in different classes. As part of their 'Bright Lights, Big City' topic in Year 1, the children had a royal themed tea party. They all looked fantastic in their party clothes and they had a wonderful time with party games and delicious food. A huge thank-you to all of the Bumblebee class parents for providing the food. Ladybird class invited their Year 6 buddies to join them in a tea party with food that they had prepared . The children really enjoyed hosting the older children, who in turn were very grateful guests!

In sporting news, on Wednesday Mr Tran and I took 30 year 5 and 6 children to the area cross country event at Bishop Luffa School. This is an event for anyone who wish to take part and we were extremely proud of all our runners. They were excellent representatives of our school and all tried their best despite the conditions being very challenging. With some of our fastest runners qualifying for the county finals, it was a very successful afternoon. A big well done to all of our runners.

Congratulations also to Table 12 who were the winners of the second 'Table Cloth Friday'. These children had earnt the privilege over the last month to have a special treat lunch hosted by Mrs Robins. well done everyone!

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

Year 1 Royal Tea Party













Ladybird Class host their buddies





















Cross Country









**OPAL- Outside Play and Learning** 



In our play assembly on Tuesday, we discussed some new rules for making football at school more inclusive and accessible for everyone. The children have decided on a charter and we hope that this will become more embedded over the next few weeks.

We also discussed our new swing and what the risk benefits are for this new equipment. Many of the children have really enjoyed going on the swing and it has been great to see their enthusiasm and collaboration. Obviously, there are risks involved but, again, we have worked with the children to come up with clear rules to ensure their safety.







1 - Please remember your wellies!!



2 - We are always looking to develop the different play types and create new opportunities.



## **Internet Safety**



We have become aware of some younger pupils playing games that are for much older people. Please check the age rating on the computer games that your children are playing. Some of these games contain extreme violence that is not appropriate for young children.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-games/ for advice and support with this.

#### **Notices and Reminders**



#### Year 5 - 5 ways to Well Being

We are lucky that we have been offered this event again this year. The team will come in on Wednesday to work with Year 5 children on developing strategies to support their well being.

#### JC Sports Gymnastics Club and half term clubs

The gymnastic club happens in school on Thursday mornings. See below for more details about this and the half term clubs that JC Sports offer.

#### **Foodbank Collection**

This term we have been asked to support the Chichester Foodbank by collecting new toothbrushes and toothpaste tubes for distribution to families in need. The Foodbank Collection basket can be found in the school reception and collection will take place early in March. You can drop off your donations at any time. Please do support this worthy, local cause if you are able.

#### **Half Term Holiday Club Funding**

If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium Grant you are eligible for free holiday club vouchers. If you do not know how to apply for this, please ask in the school office.







## Dates for the diary



5th February- 5 Ways to well being for Year 5
6th February- Rainbow Theatre- YR Y1 and 2- see sep letter
6th February- YR Maths workshop 9am in YR
6th Feb- PTA meeting at 7pm all parents and carers are welcome
7th February- Year 2 Class assembly- 9am, parents and carers welcome

11th February- safer Internet Day

12th February- Netball Year 5/6\*

12th February - Hedgehog visit- YR, 1 and 2

13th February- PTA Silent Discos- see sep letter

14th February- finish for half term

24th February- INSET day

26th February- Dancehouse performance in Worthing

27th February- Bags 2 School

28th February- Culture day- Food festival\*

28th February – Year 1 class assembly- 9am, parents and carers are welcome

3-7th March- Parents' evenings this week

6th March- World Book Day

7th March-PTA Quiz Night\*

12th March- Year 5/6 swimming gala

14th March-Comic Relief

17th March- year 4 trip to Chichester Harbour\*

17th March- year 1 Alien Day\*

17th-21st March- science Week

20th March- Year 6 to Titanic Museum in Southampton

21st March-Poetry Slam

3rd April Easter Church service

29th and 30th April- Year 3 and 4 production\*

#### **INSET Days**

24th February 2025

Friday 23rd May 2025

West Sussex Term dates 24-25

Autumn 2- November 4th- December 20th

Spring 1-6th January-14th February

Spring 2- 24th February (INSET)- 4th April

Summer 1- 22nd April- 23rd May (INSET)

Summer 2- 2nd June- 22nd July

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