# Slindon CofE Primary School Newsletter



31st March 2023

## **Another term done!**

Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't quite believe that we have got to the end of another term! This term has been full of wonderful learning experiences, with our Year 5/6 at Hooke Court, Science week creating a buzz around the school, Future Flyers, Easter Egg Hunts, Easter Service and a plethora of other learning opportunities.

Next term looks just as busy, with trips for Catkins and Chestnuts, a local History week, Coronation celebrations and a Summer Fair to look forward to. The children will also be 'Learning in the Forest' for the summer term and we are looking for volunteers on a Friday afternoon. If you have the time and want to be part of a fantastic learning opportunity for the children, please get in touch.

We also wanted to say a huge thank you to all of the parents who came to our Easter Service and those who walked with us to Church. As well as a massive thank you to Mrs Tully and Miss Heater for organising all of the music and playing the piano so beautifully, also Rvd Dyson for leading our service. We are very lucky to have such a welcoming Church within the village.

Finally, on behalf of all of the staff at Slindon CofE Primary School, we wish you all a very Happy Easter and hope you manage to have a restful break.

Laura Webb Headteacher

After half term, we have a new theme for our Collective Worship, Wisdom, linked to our Christian value of Peace.

Galatians 5:22-24 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

#### **Dates**

19/04	Break the rules day		
20/04	Chestnuts trip to Tangmere		
21/04	Catkins trip to Goodwood		
24/04	Yr 3/4 and yr 5/6 Football match (selected children)		
30/04	Grounds clearance morning		
01/05	Bank Holiday		
05/05	Coronation Party Afternoon		
08/05	Bank Holiday - Coronation		
09/05- 12/05	Year 6 SATs week		
21/05	Wear it blue for Mind day		
23/05	Messy Church		
05/06	INSET day 5		
12- 18/06	Local History Week		
12/06	School photographer		
14/06	Local History Walk with Chris Hare		
15/06	Hazel and Catkins to the WWT		
19- 23/06	Art Week		
24/06	Summer Fair		
28/06	Yr 6 Leavers Service at Chichester Cathedral		

## What's happening in school?

Hooke Court Residential.







Our wonderful Chestnut Class had a fabulous three days at Hooke Court in Dorset. Despite the weather the children threw themselves into the many activities, which included: rocket building, cooking with rations, dancing, running a shop and visiting the tank museum.

The children were a real credit to the school and Mrs Tully reported that all of the staff commented on the children's excellent behaviour, their wonderful manners and their ability to answer questions with real enthusiasm and credibility.

Going away is always a challenge for some children, but they settled into their accommodation and were all able to take part in every opportunity given to them, which included visiting a 'sick' tank museum.

We are exceptionally proud of all of the children who attended and hope they will remember this trip for many years to come.

A massive thankyou to Mrs Tully, Miss Hawkes and Mrs Opie for supporting the children on the trip and to Mrs Cooper for doing all the work back at school.

**Maths fact** – A fact family is a group of maths facts or equations that use the same numbers. A fact family in maths can show the relationship between the numbers involved. It's a great way to see how they work together. For example, here is the fact family of 2, 3, and 5: 2 + 3 = 5, 3 + 2 = 5, 5 - 3 = 2, and 5 - 2 = 3.



**SPAG fact-** A coordinating conjunction is placed between words, phrases, clauses, or sentences of equal rank.

If the coordinating conjunction is linking two sentences, the clauses need to make sense on their own. For example:

I had a terrible cold. I still went to work.

I had a terrible cold but I still went to school.

#### **Easter Service**

Thank you to everyone who came and made our Easter Service a memorable occasion.

The children read their parts beautifully and told the Easter story exceptionally well. Their singing was also beautiful and shows how much dedication they put into learning all of our hymns.



## **Messy Church news!**

There will be an extra Messy Church at St Mary's Church, Slindon, on Good Friday 7th April 9.45 – 10.45. At this event you will be able to make an Easter garden, Easter cards and talk about Good Friday. It will end with Hot Cross buns and Squash.

### **West Sussex Mind**

As a school we are working on becoming more mentally healthy, for the children, staff and our school community. As part of this we wanted to draw your attention to the work done by Mind, a West Sussex based charity, who can support with a wide variety of needs.

https://www.westsussexmind.org/help\_and\_support/specialist-services/families-with-young-children



## **Diabetes UK- Thankyou letter**



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22/03/2023

Dear Supporters,

We are writing to say a huge thank you to everyone at Slindon Primary School for raising £84.80 for Diabetes UK, in support of World Diabetes Day on 14th November 2022.

Living with diabetes has always been hard. But it's never been more challenging than it is today. The money you've raised means we can keep giving hope and reassurance when it's needed most.

We are living through extraordinary and challenging times. This makes your support even more important than ever and it's only by joining together that we can continue to improve the lives of thousands of people affected by diabetes, and fight for a world where diabetes can do no harm.

We know how tough diabetes can be so if you ever need some support or just a question answered please give our helpline a call. You can ring us on 0345-123-2399 or email helpline@diabetes.org.uk from Monday to Friday, 9am to 6pm.

Diabetes doesn't stop. So, neither does our work. We can only keep going thanks to your dedication and determination to support us. Please pass on our thanks to everyone who got involved and helped to raise these funds.

We're honoured to have supporters like you. From all of us at Diabetes UK, thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Kirsty Willis

Supporter Care Assistant

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#### Standard School Year 2022/2023

Recommended school term and holiday dates for the academic year 2022/2023 for West Sussex The School Year

		2022				
	September	October	November	December		
Monday	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 <u>26</u>		
Tuesday	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25 1	8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27		
Wednesday	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26 2	9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28		
Thursday	1 8 15 22 29	_	10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29		
Friday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28 4	11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30		
Saturday	3 10 17 24		12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31		
Sunday	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30 6	13 20 27	4 11 18 25		
2023						
	January	February	March	April		
Monday	<u> </u>	6 13 20 27	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24		
Tuesday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25		
Wednesday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 1	8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26		
Thursday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 2	9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27		
Friday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 3	10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28		
Saturday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25 4	11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29		
Sunday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26 5	12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30		
	May	June	July	August		
Monday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28		
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Sunday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25 2	9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27		
Bank and Public Holidays 2022/2023						
	Christmas Holiday	27th December 2022 (in lieu of 25th)	May Day	1st May 2023		
	Boxing Day New Year Day Holiday	26th December 2022 2nd January 2023 (in lieu of 1st)	Spring Bank Holiday Summer Bank Holiday	29th May 2023 28th August 2023		
	Good Friday	7th April 2023	Summer Bank Holiday	Zotn August 2023		
	Easter Monday	10th April 2023				
Useful Information						
Term Lengths (days)						
	School holidays	September to Octobe				
October to December 35						
Bank holidays and national holidays January to February half term 29  February to April 30						
	Start of Term	April to May half term				
		June to July	35			
	End of Term		Total 195 days	s		

Please note that the first day of the autumn term in September 2023 will not be determined until the 2023/24 timetable has been consulted upon and approved.



# Parenting support service

Supporting children and young people's mental health

Our parenting support service aims to increase the confidence, knowledge and skills of parents and carers around supporting their children and young people's mental health.

If you would like support, contact our Help Point:

Monday to Friday, 10am - 4pm

0300 303 5652 or helppoint@westsussexmind.org Support includes:

- Online peer support groups
- Talks from 'experts by experience' on topics such as stress and anxiety
- One to one telephone support
- Casual check-ins
- Private Facebook group
- Signposting.



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\*Survey of 2,000 adults by OnePoll, Aug 2021

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Sunday - Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm

Wednesday 9am - 11am