

REMINDERS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 3rd May: Forest School for Hedgehog Class

Friday 10th May: Forest School for Squirrel Class

Monday 6th May: Chobham Carnival

Tuesday 7th May 8.40am: Meeting for Yr 1 Parents/Carers: Phonics Screening Check

Tuesday 7th May: Yr 1 geography field trip to Windlesham Field of Remembrance.

Thursday 9th May: Mufti day for donations for Bottle Tombola

Saturday 11th May: FOWVIS Summer Fair 12-3pm

Saturday 8th June: Windlesham Village Fair

Monday 17th June: School trip Painshill Park

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Message from Mrs Ezzard

Our teachers love to choose new books for their class and for our library and it is such a treat to spend the commission from the book fair on books we would like to read to the children. Thank you.

Yesterday, 'Playball' club came to run a taster session for Year 1 and it was lovely to see how engaged the children were in the session. We are excited to be launching a new club initially for Year 1 to trial and I anticipate this being available to all classes next school year.

There is still time to volunteer to help with our Fair which takes place on Saturday May 11th between 12-3pm; please contact your class reps if you are able to spare anytime at all on the day to help. There will be a rota so there is no need to help for the whole time. During the fair, we'll be inviting all of our children present to join Miss Leggett and I to sing with us for you all; we'll choose a number of our favourite songs to perform during the fair. Thank you for all of the donations for the chocolate tombola, which is always popular. Next Thursday is Mufti Day for the bottle tombola and we are hoping for some good donations.

Miss Leggett and I will be running 'Hook a Duck' at both the Chobham Carnival (Monday 6th May) and Windlesham Village fete (Saturday 8th June), it would be lovely to see you if you are coming along to either of these.

Tuesday 7th May 8.40am: Meeting for Yr 1 Parents/Carers: Phonics Screening Check

Please join Miss Shine in the hall for a short meeting after morning drop-off, so that she can explain how this works for the children. Rest assured that they already practice the format with staff, so will not be aware that they are being 'screened/tested.' Presentation slides and further information will be shared at/after the meeting.

Yr 1 geography field trip to Windlesham Field of Remembrance

On Tuesday, Squirrel Class will be walking to the Field of Remembrance to carry out a survey, as part of their local geography topic 'The Park.' We will walk to and from the park, so please ensure your child is wearing full school uniform, a waterproof coat and practical, comfy shoes; trainers will be acceptable. As this is a geography trip, we will focus on the features of the park, but will not be playing in the park. You have already given permission for your child to take part in local walks and

visits within Windlesham village, so no further action is required. We have enough adults to supervise, but we would welcome volunteers if you are keen to join us.

Change to menu

Thursday 9th May there is a change to the menu, it will be cheese and tomato pizza served with potato wedges and sweetcorn. With a chocolate cookie for pudding.

May half term holiday camp

Please find attached details of the half term camp run by Complete Coaching.

Parent/Carer workshop – Supporting parents with children’s social and mental health needs

Details of this parent/carer workshop are attached. It is being held on Tuesday 7th May 2024, 9am at Bisley CofE School.

Whole school trip – Painshill Park Monday 17th June

A PMX will be sent on Tuesday 7th May regarding the forthcoming school trip. We are very much looking forward to taking the children to visit Painshill Park.

Summer Term dates

Please see attached summer term dates this was sent last week but there was an error which has now been corrected.

Playball club

Starting after the May half-term, we are trialling a new club called Playball which we play to run on Mondays after school. Initially this will just be open to Year 1, with a view to opening up to other years from September should the trial be successful. A separate PMX will be sent to Squirrels today regarding Playball.

Tick bites

Ticks are small, spider-like creatures which feed on the blood of birds and mammals, including humans. They vary in size, usually between 1mm to 1cm long. They have either 6 or 8 legs.

Tick bites aren’t usually painful and sometimes only cause a red lump to develop where you were bitten. However, in some cases they may cause:

- swelling
- itchiness
- blistering
- bruising

When going into woodlands, it is always advisable to wear long sleeves and trousers, to prevent ticks from biting arms and legs. With our weather remaining mostly cold and wet, the children have continued to wear full waterproofs during Forest School, meaning that they have been protected. As the weather improves, we would encourage you to ensure that they still have clothing with long sleeves and full trousers for Forest School.

If you’ve been bitten by a tick, you should try to remove it as soon as possible to reduce the risk of getting a tick-borne infection, like [Lyme disease](#). This is a bacterial infection that causes a pink or red circular rash to develop around the area of the bite.

More information can be found here: nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/injuries/skin-injuries/tick-bites