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## WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

### Welcome back

Welcome back, we hope you had a restful and fun Easter break. The children have returned to school full of enthusiasm about their learning which is wonderful to see. Topic information letters for Year 3-6 will be sent out next Friday.

Could we take this opportunity to remind all adults, parents and carers that whilst on school grounds the topics of conversation and language used should be appropriate to the environment. We are all role models for our children and others around us, and setting a good example by our choice of words especially whilst on the playground is essential to ensure our school values are upheld and nurtured. Thank you.

### Baby news

It is with great joy I inform you that Mrs Jacques had her baby on Easter Sunday, weighing 8 pounds 13 ounces. He has been named Oliver. We await a visit from them soon.

### Spring term 100% attendance

Today in Celebration Assembly 61 children who had achieved 100% attendance for the Spring Term were entered into a draw to win a £5 WH Smith gift card. Ruby S from Panda class was the winner; well done and enjoy your gift card.

### Attendance

The whole school attendance % is currently 96.2%. We strive to be able to celebrate attendance at or above 96% which is in line with national average.

Year R	94.6	Year Y1	94.4	Year Y2	98.6 (this is fantastic!)
Year Y3	96.4	Year Y4	94.6	Year Y5	96.0
Year Y6	94.5				

Just a reminder, if your child is ill and cannot attend school please ring the office and let them know what your child is ill with (you can leave a message on the answerphone). If you know your child will not be returning to school for a couple of days let the office know when you first ring. A copy of our Attendance Policy is available on the school website [www.harestock.co.uk](http://www.harestock.co.uk)

### Easter egg design competition

Special congratulations go to Mrs Smith and her After School Club team and the children for designing and making such a fantastic Easter Egg for the Easter competition. We hope you all voted for Harestock's masterpiece (and went to see it displayed at the Brook's Centre) and the winner will be announced by the Brook's Centre in Winchester early next week.

### Sex and Relationships education information session to Parents

Next week we will be sending a letter home inviting you to this meeting. It is on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 5pm. The information we will be sharing is already on the school website and parents will have an opportunity to view part of the DVD we share with the children relevant to their year groups.

### Hampshire and IOW Air Ambulance

Air Ambulance charities receive no government funding and rely entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life threatening medical emergencies. They have requested that we collect used postage stamps which will be recycled to help their funds. All kind of stamps can be collected, on or off paper. Please leave a 5mm single thickness border around the stamp and perforations should not be damaged. There is a poster and a collection box in which to place them in our reception area. Thank you.

## **School choir**

Last term choir had a great pleasure in going to Henry Beaufort school where we sang many songs. We were joined by many schools such as Itchen Abbas and the Henry Beaufort choir with Sam who sang a solo of Les Miserables. We had a fun time singing and seeing our parents, brothers and sisters who watched us sing the songs we sang. Thank you Mrs Butler and Mrs Clements for all the hard work you did to take us to and from Henry B and helping us with the songs. Thanks again for everyone who took part. Chloe

## **INFANT CLASSES INFORMATION**

### **PE sessions with Marc Gillingham**

Year 1 and 2 have enjoyed learning skills to play golf. Marc started each session with warm up games that promoted their understanding of a golf course and he encouraged the correct use of golf terminology. It was great fun. We have some budding golf experts amongst us!

### **Victorian Day**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April is Year 1 and Year 2 Victorian day - children: please remember to come dressed as a Victorian child!

## **JUNIOR CLASSES INFORMATION**

### **Year 3 Tennis sessions**

This morning was our first tennis lesson. Chris, our tennis coach, came to school to teach us some new skills. First we did a few warm up exercises with a ball then we were allowed to use the racquets. We balanced the ball and most of us managed to do 'fish and chips' but 'around the world' was a bit tricky. Finally, we practised the forehand stroke. We had lots of fun.

Miley and Max.

### **Year 4 Swimming sessions**

This half term we are learning to swim at the leisure centre in Winchester. Today was our first lesson, it was an assessment week. First we showed the swimming coaches what we could do by swimming a length of the little pool. If we weren't very confident we stayed there and used floats to swim across the pool with our faces in the water. Meanwhile the more confident swimmers went into the big pool to tread water and swim lengths showing different strokes.

Ryan and Max.

## **WEBSITE UPDATE**

Dolphin, Panda, Ladybird and Woodpecker blogs. School calendar and events calendar.

## **ATTACHMENTS SENT BY TUCASI COMMUNICATIONS**

Winchester Rugby Football Club

## **FOS**

FOS meeting on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April at school at 7.30pm. All welcome to attend.

Fri 10<sup>th</sup> May FOS Quiz night in the hall

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> May FOS Bake sale

## **REMINDERS**

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> April 2.40pm Year 2 assessment meeting for parents

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> May Year 3 - 6 Tri-golf tournament at 10am for selected 30 children at Winchester Golf academy

Tues 7<sup>th</sup> May Year R trip to Longdown Farm

Mon 13<sup>th</sup> May Start of Year 6 SATs week for Maths and English

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> May Class photos

Fri 24<sup>th</sup> May 3.15pm break up for  $\frac{1}{2}$  term holiday