

## WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

### Armed Forces Assembly

Tomorrow is Armed Forces day (formerly Veterans' Day) in the United Kingdom. It is an annual event celebrated in late June to commemorate the service of men and women in the British Armed Forces. Today in school we had Sgt Bowen who gave separate, age appropriate presentations to Infants and Juniors about the roles of our servicemen and women in the Armed Forces. We'd like to say a big thank you to her for giving up her time to share this with us.

### Attendance

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

Year R - 96.3%	Year Y1 - 97.1%	Year Y2 - 96.7%
Year Y3 - 96.8%	Year Y4 - 97.6%	Year Y5 - 95.9%
Year Y6 - 95.5%		

### Staff leaving at the end of the Summer term

It is with great sadness that we inform you that Mrs Teresa Hull is retiring (a couple of months early) at the end of the summer term. Mrs Hull has been a teacher at Harestock for 30 years, teaching full time and part time across the whole school and more recently as the Junior French teacher and releasing teachers for their management time. Thank you so much Mrs Hull for your enthusiasm towards language teaching and the positive impact you have had on the children's learning and passion towards French. We will miss you immensely next year. Plans are in place for the Junior children still to learn French next year.

We also say goodbye to Miss Harding who has only been with us a short time but has been a great asset to the school with her super teaching ability and commitment in all she does. Miss Harding has decided to become a child minder. Thank you Miss Harding. We will miss you.

### Class structure for Sept 2019

Below is where the teachers will be teaching from September. You will be notified which class your child will be in on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

Year R Dragonfly class Mrs Langford and Mrs Osmond (provision across both classrooms in this area)

Year R/1 Ladybird class Mr Gorton (located in current Woodpecker room) The Year Rs will have access to the Year R provision across Dragonfly classroom and the other class base through the day.

Year 1/2 Owl class Mrs Brown

Year 2/3 Puffin class Mrs Butler (located in current Koala room)

*SAVE THE DATE: There is a meeting for parents of children of this class on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 6pm to give parents more information about before school, breaks, lunchtime, end of day procedures and general curriculum information. Many things will stay the same for the Year 2s in line with the other Year 2s and many things will stay the same for the Year 3s in line with the other Year 3s.*

Year 3/4 Otter class Mrs Somerset and Miss Wood

Year 3/4 Koala class Miss Barrett (located in current Dolphin room)

Year 5/6 Panther class Mrs Taft

Year 5/6 Dolphin class Miss Carter (located in current Panda classroom)

### National Sports Week

In Otter class we have enjoyed a variety of exhausting activities from circuits to Joe Wicks School HIT. It has been great fun taking part in everything but the Junior Box games brought out a great sense of support and team work on Friday morning.

The Infants have had fun taking part in Cosmic Yoga, as well as circuits which included star jumps, step ups, squats and jogging on the spot. It was very tiring.

Mark Gillingham has been teaching the children how to throw with improved aim and distance. The KS1 classes have had lessons aiming a foam javelin into and through a hoop or so mark could catch it. He was very impressed with the children's determination to improve their skills.

Saints in the Community came into school and every class had a soccer taster session which included individual skill practise as well as small team games. The children had great fun on the field refining their soccer skills. The Juniors have practised their rounders or cricket skills this week also.

### **Hampshire Music Service concert**

On Wednesday the children thoroughly enjoyed a musical demonstration of various brass instruments from the talented Sierra Schwarz. She was so enthusiastic about each instrument; the children were totally engaged and inspired!

### **Hampshire Junior choir concert**

Last week the children had an opportunity to listen to the Hampshire Junior choir. They performed two songs, one of which the children learnt the chorus for and got a chance to join in. Then the staff from the choir amazed us with their harmonies. If any children wish to join the choir they brought a leaflet about it.

### **Goodbye to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Winchester University placement students**

"My time at Harestock has been one of many laughs and opportunities. The school has really helped to develop my teaching practice and I am grateful for the friendly environment which I have been able to immerse myself in. Thank you to all staff and children, I hope that future students enjoy their time at your wonderful school as much as I have." - Jake McMullan

"Harestock has been such a wonderful school to work at over the last 7 weeks. The children never failed to make me smile and laugh every day and the teachers have been incredibly supportive. I have gained so much from this experience, especially from my time with Panda Class. Thanks again and hope to see you soon!'- Amy Luck

Goodbye also from Sophie Wiltshire who taught Koala class - she had a fantastic placement, learning a great deal and developing her teaching skills over the last 7 weeks in a class of truly brilliant children.

### **Inter-House Challenge Morning**

The theme for this week's inter-house morning was 'Games Around the World'. The children played various games including Catch the Dragon's Tail from China. It was great fun for the children to play as well as for the adults to watch!

We explored a number of playground games from around the world, like Greek statues, Run, run, la Guaraca. However, our favourite game was the Indonesian version of Rock, Paper, Scissors called Semut, Orang, Gajah, where the thumb represented an elephant, pointy finger a man and the little finger an ant. The children spent time with other children from across the school playing different games. Some children even learnt the Haka.

### **Be inspired**

Last week the children were fortunate to listen to a presentation from an ex-pupil who was at Harestock and left in 2006. Joe Marchant has developed his passion for rugby and his talent to now be signed for Harlequins and has even represented England, which the children saw him play in on Youtube. The children were fascinated to learn about his sporting journey, through disappointment when he was no longer wanted by London Irish to then his joy at being signed for his current team. He is only 22 years old and is a fantastic role model to the children to never give up on your dream and to work and train hard. It was a pleasure to see him return to Harestock. Thank you Joe and good luck for the coming season.

## **INFANT CLASSES INFORMATION**

### **Year R Forest Day**

Dragonfly Class had another wonderful day outside; this time the focus of our day was enhancing our garden environment. The children enjoyed activities such as decorating pebbles, creating a fairy garden for our fairy, Bluebell, making bug hotels and hunting for bugs under rocks and logs. Have you all seen the wonderful mural the children collaborated together to paint? They did a fantastic job! The children then enjoyed fairy cakes and squash before sharing a reading session with the children in Koala Class. Thank you for sending your children in with packed lunches and appropriate clothing; they had wonderful, hands on day of learning and exploration.

## **WEBSITE UPDATE**

Ladybird, Owl, Woodpecker, Koala and Otter blogs.

## **ATTACHMENTS SENT BY TUCASI COMMUNICATIONS**

Kings School recruitment vacancies; SportSkool free childcare

## **FOS**

### **The Big Summer Social**

A huge thank you to everyone who came to, and helped at, The Big Summer Social! We raised a fantastic £900!

### **Soiree**

FOS will be providing refreshments at the Soiree. If you are attending, and would be willing to help, please email [Harestockfos@gmail.com](mailto:Harestockfos@gmail.com).

### **Summer Disco**

The last disco of the year is on Friday 12th July for Infants and Juniors.



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## **REMINDERS**

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> and Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> - change of lunch menu - see separate sheet for choices

Thurs 4th Choir recording CD to sell

Fri 5th Year 2 to Winchester Cathedral

Year 1 & Year 2 topic outcome to parents (Date / Time TBC)

Wed 3rd French Showcase for parents 1.35pm Otter; 2.40pm Koala

Thurs 4th French Showcase for parents 1.20pm Panther; 2.05pm Panda; Dolphin 2.40pm

Fri 5th Reports out to Parents: Infants & Year 3 - 5

Fri 5th Musical Soiree 6pm

Mon 8th 8.50am - 9.15am Infant to Junior Transition meeting for all Year 2 parents

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Panda Year 4s trip to Winchester

Mon 8th Infant Sports morning 10am

Mon 8th 2019 New Year R starters SPLAT session 1.30pm - 3pm

Tues 9th Junior Sports morning 10am

Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Otter and Koala class trip to Winchester

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Winchester Hat Fair festival - Saturday and Sunday 6-7th July**