What's going on at school this half term

There are a lot of exciting things happening at school this half term for the children, and some activities where we would love you as parents to get involved as well!

Year R

This half term Year R are learning about life around our school and in the wider world through their 'Jungle Explorers' Topic. They will be looking at why the egg is a sign of new life and what other signs and symbols are used in the run up to Easter. The traveling farm will also be visiting them at the end of term.

Year 1

Year 1 are learning to be historians this half term. They will be using a range of different sources of evidence, to find out what life was like for people in the past. This will be enhanced through a fantastic trip to Milestones Museum in Basingstoke. In science the children will be exploring the properties of different types of materials and in RE the children will be investigating the emotions of happiness and sadness in relation to the Easter story.

Year 2

The children this half term will be finding out about night. They will be looking at nocturnal animals and their habitats. They will investigate habitats in the country and in big cities. They will be learning how to write non-fiction books all about nocturnal animals. The children will be going to Marwell Zoo to look at different animals and will have a fantastic evening exploring the school grounds in the dark!

Upcoming events

Tuesday 3rd March 5.30-7pm

Year 2 Night Time Explorers Evening

Thursday 5th March

World Book Day – Dress up as a book character

Saturday 7th March 6.30pm

FoBS Horse Racing Night

Thursday 12th March

Year 1 Trip to Milestones

Year 2 Trip to Marwell Zoo

Friday 13th March

Red Nose Day – non uniform £1 donation

Mother's Day and Red Nose Day Lunch

Friday 20th March

Year R Farm Visiting

Wednesday 1st April

FoBS Easter Egg Hunt

FoBS School Disco 5.15-6.15pm

Thursday 2nd April

School closed for INSET Day

Fri 3rd April – Fri 17th April

Easter Holidays

E-Safety Day

The children had a fantastic day last half term learning all about how to stay safe online. Thank you for going to so much trouble to dress up your children. Children love dressing up and it helps to make the day one that they will remember. If children remember the day they are much more likely to remember some of the messages.

For us as a school one of the real strengths of the day was joining in with the Junior School. The children in Year R will remember only a little of the day but by both schools working together by the time the children get to Year 6 they will have a fantastic understanding of how to keep themselves and others safe online.

Can we also thank all the parents and children who entered the poster competition. The winning entry can be seen on the back of this newsletter and is now the background whenever the children logon to a school computer. We hope this will be another way of supporting the children's growing understanding.

For more information on internet safety here are a few websites you can go to for information http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/





Stars of the week

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E-Safety Day Winners

5th February
Lily Prior
Casey Balfour
Ella Harris
Elise Kirby
Isobel McGarry
Alexis Blayney

12th February
Eden Lillywhite
Mollie Wright
Sami Mandeel
Samantha
Ringrose
Julia De Guzman
Holly Matthews

26th February

Livi Stilwell Lacey Smyth Alex De'Ath Jack Haskett Joshua Young Isla Waby **Overall Winner** – Samantha Ringrose

Zebra Class Winner- Alfie Shaw
Penguin Class Winner- Kaylen Marker-Ansell
Tiger Class Winner- Maya Wernecka
Kangaroo Class Winner- Samantha Ringrose
Giraffe Class Winner- Emily Cator
Elephant Class Winner-Maisie Hester

Well done to everyone who entered

School Expansion

You may have seen the article in today's Bordon Herald about Mill Chase and the agreement that has been reached to rebuild it as a new school on Budds Lane. As part of this article it was also mentioned that Bordon Infants and Juniors would be expanding.

With the development of the town and the amount of housing within Bordon comes a need for more school places. One of the options that is being considered is increasing both our school and the Juniors so that there are three class in each year group. This expansion would come with significant building work if the decision is taken to go ahead. The proposed expansion would meet the short term need for places and then potentially another new school would be built to cater for the continued growth.

Both Mr James and I have met with Hampshire and at the moment it is still one option that is being considered. We are both very excited about the prospect of expanding the schools and the benefits that it will bring. We both believe that school should serve their local community and with the amount of housing increasing around the school we want to be able to offer the high standard of education we provide to all families within our catchment area. As we get more information we will let you know.

Matt Greenhalgh

Headteacher