

19TH MARCH 2021

Welcome Back!

It has been wonderful to have all the children back in school – there has been such a buzz of enthusiasm around the building. I spent time in all classes over the last couple of weeks and have been so impressed at how well the children have settled back into their learning. I would like to thank parents and carers for your part in doing such a great job in supporting them during lockdown and in getting them ready to come back to school. The children have absolutely embraced up our new school rules – 'Ready, Respectful, Safe' and it has been a delight to see so many names on the recognition boards on a daily basis. Mr Cutter.

Easter Lunch



On our last day of the spring term, 31st March, we will be able to enjoy a special Easter lunch cooked by our school kitchen. Children can choose from either chicken roast with sausage, Yorkshire pudding and gravy or cheese and tomato pastry nest followed by an Easter biscuit. You will not need to pre order, just ask your child to choose it on the day.

Come Fly With Me



As part of their geography unit about comparing hot and cold places in the world, the children in Key Stage 1 had an exciting opportunity to go on a "flight" to an unknown holiday destination. They came to school with their holiday bags packed and were supplied with passports and boarding passes for their journey. Mr Cutter was in charge of passport control and checked everyone in. The passengers were kept comfortable on the flight

with the assistance of the two flight attendants, Miss Emerson and Miss Phillips and some inflight entertainment. When they reached their final destination, Antarctica, the passengers soon realised that they had packed the wrong type of clothing as it was too cold for shorts, t shirts and sunglasses!

Staffing Update

Next week we will be saying goodbye to Miss Williams, our Special Education Needs Coordinator (SENCo). We wish Miss Williams every success in her new role as Assistant Headteacher at Littlegreen Academy in West Sussex. Mrs Woods (currently teaching Year 6 Kingfishers Class) will take on the role of SENCo after Easter. She has many years of experience as SENCo in her previous school and has already been working alongside Miss Williams over the last few weeks.

Red Nose Day

We were delighted to take part in this year's 'Donate to Dress Up', in aid of Red Nose Day, today. We have spotted some fantastic superheroes around school today and lots of red to brighten up our day. We would like to thank parents and carers for supporting the cause and we have raised a fantastic £335 so far. It's not too late to donate through our Just Giving page:



https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/wickham-church-of-england-prim-rednoseday21

Easter Holiday Activities



Winchester City Council, in partnership with activeme360 are running a series of community football coaching sessions, aimed at girls and boys aged 6-14 years. The coaching sessions will take place over five days from Monday 12 to Friday 16 April, with a small charge of £5.00. Please see the attached flyer for more information. To sign your child up use this link https://activeme360.class4kids.co.uk/.

We have also been made aware of an Easter swim course taking place at West Hill Park school- see the attached flyer for more information.





We would like to also like to remind you that Treetops are running an Easter holiday club at our school over the holidays. Please go to their website to book: http://www.treetopsclubs.co.uk/

Online Safety - Discord



We want to alert you to concerns surrounding an online site called Discord, which is one of the most popular communication tools for gamers. This site allows user to create or join what are known as 'servers', where different users can talk in groups via text message or voice call. The attached information sheet provides you with more details about the site, the concerns around it and what parents can do to keep their children safe.

Key Reminders

- The 1st April is an INSET day so school is closed to all pupils.
- Our school is a nut free environment and therefore we would like to remind you that your children cannot bring any food items in their lunchbox or as a snack that contain nuts. This includes such things as cereal bars and spreads that contain nuts. We do have children and staff with nut allergies in school and it is important that we keep them safe.
- We are finding a lot of unnamed school uniform around the school. Please ensure that you label all your child's uniform so that it doesn't become lost property. Many thanks.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 1st AprilINSET day2nd April – 16th AprilEaster HolidaysFriday 18th JuneINSET dayMonday 21st JuneINSET day