

NEWSLETTER

1ST APRIL 2021

Happy Easter!

As we come to the end of another term, quite unlike any other that we've experienced before, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very Happy Easter. As the lockdown restrictions ease and the weather improves, hopefully you will be able to enjoy some quality time together. Thank you for your support over the last few months – we are so proud of and thankful for our school community. Happier times do lie ahead.

INSET Day - Curriculum



You may be aware that our school curriculum has undergone some significant changes over the last year and today the staff have spent time developing it even further. Teachers have worked together to plan next term's units based on our cycle of enquiry and identified where cross-curricular links can be made between units. We can't wait to begin teaching our new units next term.

New School Menu



A new menu will be in place when the children return after the Easter holidays.

Please see the attachments for further details. We are pleased to be able to offer the Streets Menu alongside the standard menu next term, including dishes such as chicken

burger, beef chilli and meatball sub, which we know the children will enjoy!

COVID Vaccine

We are fortunate that the majority of our school staff were able to receive their first vaccine last weekend, through the vaccine zero waste scheme. This scheme enables vaccination teams to give the vaccine to a reserve list of people when they have spare vaccines. Our school registered for the scheme and were successful in securing the vaccine for us all.

Easter Service



It was lovely to be able to hold our Easter Service outside with the children yesterday. The service, based on the theme of crosses, was led by Rev Juliette around the theme of crosses. Every class has been learning about

crosses from different places in the world and each child then made one of their own, which they then placed inside a giant cross on the school field.

Reverend Juliet was presented with a basket of Easter eggs, packaged in boxes



that had been designed and made by children in Otters, Squirrels and Foxes

classes, as part of their Design and Technology unit. Reverend Juliet and Reverend Jane will pass our gifts to the parishioners of St Nicholas Church at their service on Easter Sunday.

COVID Update

We welcomed the government's announcement of the relaxation of some of the social distancing rules, allowing us to see family and friends outdoors from this week. We would however like to remind you of the importance of adhering to the new relaxed rules such as the rule of six and meeting one another **outside** in order to continue to help prevent the spread of the virus. We have been extremely fortunate that we have not had to close any bubbles so far and we would like to thank you for being vigilant.

We are still required to continue with track and trace up until 6th April. So, for the first 6 days after teaching ended yesterday, if a pupil tests positive for coronavirus having **developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school**, the parent/carer should contact the school to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school. The school can be contacted by email <u>adminoffice@wickham-primary.hants.sch.uk</u>. This email address will be monitored regularly until the 6th April

We would also like to remind you that your child must not return to school after Easter if they are displaying any of the symptoms for Coronavirus or someone in your household has tested positive. Therefore, please be reminded that if your child or anyone in your household displays symptoms of the virus you self-isolate and get a tested.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 19th April 1st Day of Term

Friday 18th June INSET day

Monday 21st June INSET day