



# Friday Flyer

22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure, like me, you are all enjoying the fact that spring is (hopefully) just around the corner. We are starting to enjoy some warmer days in school and are noticing the signs of spring in our outdoor environment. As ever, school continues to be a busy and exciting place for the children to learn, and it has been lovely this week to talk to lots of children from across the school, about their learning in class. It is also this term where we seem to see children's progress really accelerate, and I have seen some fantastic work which has achieved Headteacher's Awards this week. I have been particularly proud of how well Class 3 have developed and embedded their understanding of fractions – one of the most difficult mathematical concepts.

Music is a crucial part of the primary curriculum and enables children to develop so many important skills. As a small school, it is difficult to provide the range of opportunities for performance that we would like, so it is important to look for experiences outside of school. This week, children from our school choir performed as part of the Junior Schools' Choir at the Petersfield Music Festival. The children sang songs from a wide variety of musical genres, alongside other local primary and independent schools. In addition, the children were able to experience - at very close quarters - different, highly skilled instrumentalists from various groups, including the Petersfield Area Schools String Orchestra, the Combined Schools Wind Band, Jazz Band and Instrumental Ensemble. The highlight of the evening for me was the choral finale, where the children performed a range of songs from Oliver. Froxfield children sang and conducted themselves brilliantly, and I have received many compliments from members of the audience on their polished and perfect performance. What a credit they are to Froxfield School! Well done to all those involved and thank you to Miss Hickey for all her work in teaching the songs to the children and to Mrs Burchett and Mrs Fennell for giving up their time to accompany them on Wednesday evening.

Children in Class 3 attended a netball festival at Langrish School on Tuesday where they competed with skill and fantastic teamwork. Mrs Fennell was very proud of them all. Classes 1, 2 and 3 also took the opportunity to take part in an online British Sign Language lesson as part of Sign Language Week. This lesson provided children with the opportunity to learn BSL from Yvonne Cobb, a TV presenter and qualified Teacher of the Deaf. The lesson was presented completely without sound, helping to develop the children's understanding of how deaf people experience the world. It was wonderful to see the children practising their signing on the playground after the lesson.

Finally, March 21<sup>st</sup> 2024 marked a significant day for Mrs Haines, having been a member of Froxfield School staff for an incredible 20 years. During this time, she has touched the lives of hundreds of children – my own daughter, who left the school 6 years ago, said this morning 'I love Mrs Haines.' Mrs Haines has been part of an exciting journey as the school has grown from infant to primary; always being flexible to meet the needs of the school. As the curriculum has changed and developed, she has implemented these changes with enthusiasm, professionalism and 100% commitment. Mrs Haines is passionate about the school, giving of her time freely at all times in too many ways to mention. When a member of staff or child can't find something, the stock answer is 'ask Mrs Haines.' In my time as Headteacher here, I cannot recall her missing a single day. I am sure you will want to join me in expressing heartfelt gratitude for her 20 years of dedicated service – and I, for one, hope there are many more years to come!

## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP VALUE:

Our Value for this Half Term is

**Perseverance**

We look forward to seeing you at our Parents' Evenings next week and hope that many of you can make the Easter Service next Wednesday, which will be led by Class 3.

Have a wonderful weekend and thank you as always for your ongoing support for your children and the school.

With kindest regards,  
Mrs V Farrow

## NOTE:

Please connect with us



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

From our recent book order, we raised £31.71 towards new books for the children at school. Thank you to all those parents who bought books contributing to the new resources you can see below.



## HIGH CROSS CHURCH UPCOMING EVENTS

**POLITE NOTICE:** Next week there is a "family only" burial at High Cross at 3.30pm on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March following a church service elsewhere. Could we please ask for all parents/carers not to park in the road that day or move away fairly quickly after pick up so that the hearse can park at the lych-gate. The hearse will won't arrive before 3.20pm so we hope this gives sufficient time for everyone.

Following on from last week's wonderful Messy Church event, with special thanks to Katherine Matcham (Mum of Otto and Effie) for all her involvement beforehand and on the day, we thought you might like to know about some other events coming up for all ages, which are noted on the attached flyer.

## EASTER EGG PAINTING FOR THE SPRING SHOW

Children from all the classes submitted their decorated eggs ready for the Spring Show this weekend in Privett village hall. A selection of eggs was selected for each age category for the competition and will be judged before being returned to school on Monday. There were some fantastic designs this year!



# Pre-School

These last few weeks have been very busy at Pre-School and we even enjoyed the start of spring with some sunshine! Some of the children have been getting creative, painting spring flowers for the Spring Show which will be displayed at Privett village hall this weekend from 2pm. The children have also been practising their songs for the Easter Bonnet Parade and have started to make their bonnets. They are all really excited to share these with you next week. We even came to Pre-School in our pyjamas in aid of Comic Relief which was lots of fun!

Many of our children have been enjoying water play over the last week, building waterfalls and doing a lot of problem solving trying to work out how to gather water from different containers. We used pipettes, jugs, saucepans, guttering and watering cans to pour and collect the water for the waterfall.

We are looking forward to welcoming you all on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 11am to watch the children's Easter Bonnet Parade followed by the sharing of hot cross buns.

With warmest wishes,

Charlotte and the Pre-School Team



# FoFs

## Thank FoFS it's Friday!

We're nearly there – last Friday of term and just one more FOFS event left before Easter!

## Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Next Thursday, Class 2 are holding their **Design an Easter Garden competition- £1 per entry.**



The children are all invited to design a garden to be delivered and displayed in the Church from morning drop off 8.30am on **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March, the last day of term.**

Here is a beautiful example created by lovely Mollie.

The only request is that the gardens need to be within a tray or dish so that they are easily transportable.

Tea and coffee will be served in the Church from 1.30pm on the last day of term for viewing and judging by Mrs Hollis, Chair of Governors!

All entries receive a little chocolate egg and the Easter Garden winners will get a larger egg! We're looking forward to seeing the children's creations.

## Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April

We also have some more information regarding the **Spring Sponsored Family Walk:**

\*New route for 2024\* starting in the beautiful village of Selborne and following in the footsteps of the great naturalist Gilbert White. We will be meeting **at 10am on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April** in the car park at Gilbert White's.



**Short route (3.5km):** we will go past Selborne church, following the chalk stream through butterfly meadows, and out to some lakes where children can spot wildlife and loop back through the forest to the village of Selborne.

For those with longer legs and more energy you can continue onto the **longer route (6.5km in total)** up the Zig Zag path providing spectacular views across the South Downs and onto Selborne common and back down into the village.

This year, four legged friends on leads are welcome to join too.

Following the walk there'll be a chance to get some refreshments together at the Selborne Arms, where there is an outdoor play area and garden. All families are welcome. A link to sign up will be sent to everyone closer to the time of the event.

If you'd like to raise some sponsorship all funds raised will continue to enrich the school experience for all our children. Further details to follow.

## **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

Finally, we are looking for some help for the **Fawley Farm Horse and Dog Show**. If you are free and willing to help with any of these jobs, please let us know directly or via your class rep:

- Raffle (Get a team together to find prizes and help to run the ticket sales)
- Fair Games (Along with/co-ordinate Year 6 children helpers)
- Bar (We have a lead for this but looking for extra help)
- Snack Stall (Source supplies and run the stall - possibly another mufti day?)

We are also looking for more Face Painters and anyone who might be able to run/arrange Dog Agility.  
We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

**FOFS x**

# School Diary 2023/2024

New dates added in **Red**

Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Social event - Roller disco, The Taro 4.30pm-6.00pm
<b>Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	<b>Froxfield &amp; Privett Spring Show, Privett Village hall from 2pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Class 3: Leading Easter Service, 2.30pm High Cross</b>
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Easter Bonnet Parade, Pre-School at 11am</b>
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Term Finishes 1.30pm
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Whole School Children's Easter Gardens display</b> in the church, 1.30pm (delivery from 8.30am) Organised by Class 2
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	School returns - Summer Term Starts
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Class 1 Trip - Titanic - SeaCity Southampton (details to follow)
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	FoFS Sponsored Walk, <b>Meet at 10.00am in car park at Gilbert White's, Selborne (details above)</b>
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Class 3: Trip to Gilbert White Field Study Centre (more details to follow)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Class 3: Bake Sale, school field, 3.15pm
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day – Timings to follow
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 4 Event at Sports Day (more details to follow)
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Summer Concert 3.00pm (more details to follow)
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Fawley Horse & Dog Show 10.00am
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Transition Evening (Y6 pupils and families meet their tutors and find out more about coming to TPS)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day (Y6 attend TPS all day)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term – School breaks up at 1.30pm
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	New Academic Year – School returns

**Wednesdays: Terra Recycle Scheme AM & Open Classroom PM**

## SCHOOL INSET DAYS for the DIARY

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024**

**(We return to school on 3<sup>rd</sup> September)**

# Other Information

## FoFs and Class Reps 2023/2024

Pre-School	Katherine Harper
YR	Katherine Harper & Sophie Doe
Y1	Rowena Rayner & Sophie Blythe
Y2	Clare Souter & Kate Masters
Y3	Jessie Barton & Rowena Rayner
Y4	Katie Innes & TBC
Y5	Shannon Askew & TBC
Y6	Tasha Cunningham & Sarah Grant
Chair	Katherine Harper and Sophie Doe
Secretary	Rachel Nicholson
Treasurer	Sarah Dunford

## CLUBS

Day	Time	Club	Years	Dates
Monday	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Aspire Sports	1-6	19 <sup>th</sup> February – 18 <sup>th</sup> March Spaces available
Tuesday	Lunchtime	French	R-6	20 <sup>th</sup> February - 26 <sup>th</sup> March Spaces available
Tuesday	3.15pm - 4.20pm	Lego Club	1-3	20 <sup>th</sup> February - 26 <sup>th</sup> March Spaces available
Tuesday	3.15pm - 4.45pm	Cook Stars	1-6	20 <sup>th</sup> February – 26 <sup>th</sup> March FULL
Wednesday	3.15pm – 4.05pm	Tennis Club	1-3	21 <sup>st</sup> February – 27 <sup>th</sup> March Spaces available
Wednesday	3.15-4.15pm	Art Club	1-4	28 <sup>th</sup> February – 27 <sup>th</sup> March FULL
Wednesday	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Speaking with Confidence	5-6	21 <sup>st</sup> February – 27 <sup>th</sup> March Spaces available
Thursday	3.15pm - 4.00pm	Choir	3-6	22 <sup>nd</sup> February – 21 <sup>st</sup> March FULL
Thursday	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Tennis Club	4-6	22 <sup>nd</sup> February - 28 <sup>th</sup> March Spaces available
Thursday	3.15pm - 4.00pm	Boppin Dance	R-3	22 <sup>nd</sup> February - 28 <sup>th</sup> March Spaces available