



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 31st March 2023

Message from the Headteacher

So here ends another term; even though it is the last week of term we have kept our foot firmly on the pedal with a number of events occurring across the school!

Return of the Spring Concert!

Thank you to all those of you – of which there were a great many – who joined us for our Spring Concerts this week. We have not been able to run this annual event since 2019 so it was a new experience for a lot of children, staff and families! I hope you enjoyed the various musical performances from each class and from the school as a whole.

Reception Class Stay and Play and Two Trips!

Our youngest children have had a very busy week. Our Termly stay and play took place on Monday afternoon; Miss Owen donned her spring chicken outfit and welcomed into class a grown-up from the family of each of our Reception children! Much fun was had by all as they made marshmallow nests, painted plant pots, made bird feeders and took part in an Easter scavenger hunt. The children also sang some Easter songs for the enjoyment of the adults attending.

On Wednesday Class R joined St Margaret's Nursery on a visit to our local church. Whilst at the church the children took part in some Easter crafts and sang an Easter song. The children were proud to show off their Easter bonnets in an Easter parade.

On Thursday the children and staff headed off on a coach to Brockhill Park in Saltwood. On arrival they went on a nature walk through the park. After lunch they visited an educational farm at the Brockhill Park Performing Arts College. At the farm the children gave treats to the pigs, rabbits, cows, calves, chickens and lambs. The children and staff enjoyed bathing tortoises, holding the rabbits and chickens and stroking the lambs. A thoroughly enjoyable – and very tiring! – day.

Classes 1 & 2 Wingham Wildlife Park

It wasn't all about Reception Class this week - Classes 1 and 2 enjoyed the sun on Monday when they visited Wingham Wildlife Park. They saw many different animals ranging from penguins to tarantulas! Both classes engaged in an educational talk with an expert zoo keeper where Class 2 looked at different bugs and Class 1 looked at reptiles around the world who are cold blooded. I am told the children were exceptionally well behaved during their trip and were great representatives of the school so well done to them!

A 'Choctastic' Time

All children are being sent home today clutching a chocolate egg courtesy of the Easter Bunny; as always thank you to the PTFA for supporting the bunny with this venture!

New Lunch Menu

Whole School Meals have issued their new menu for Terms 5 & 6 and a copy of this has been emailed out with this newsletter to parent/carers. We return to school on Week 1 of the new menu.

I hope you all have a lovely Easter Holiday and I look forward to seeing you back at school in Term 5.

Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Message from Class 2

Class 2 have had a very *cracking* week and have introduced 4 new fluffy friends to the classroom. Sugar, Cookie, Sweetie and Marshmallow - the chicks!

All the children have been very engaged in observing the different stages of a chicken's lifecycle and it has been an important lesson about what animals need to survive and how we can care for them.

The children thoroughly enjoyed holding the chicks and watching them grow over the past few days. Class 2 wish them well on their journey to Mr Oliver's home to join the rest of his chickens. I am sure we will see updates on their development in the coming weeks.

Miss Fordham





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Attendance

Whole School attendance
27/03/23 - 31/03/23

94%



Whole School attendance
05/09/22 - date

94.6%

PTFA Thank You

Thank you to our PTFA for helping the Easter bunny today and providing the eggs for the class hunts.



Coronavirus Symptoms

On Tuesday 29 March 2022, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the [next steps for living with COVID-19](#) in England from Friday 1 April 2022.

Updated guidance

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend. Children and young people with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days (day of positive test is day 0), which is when they are most infectious.

Adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature. Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days (day of positive test is day 0), which is when they are most infectious.

**WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY
HAPPY EASTER**



**Children return to school on
Monday, 17th April 2023**

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 17th April 2023

EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS START THIS WEEK

Monday, 17th April

- Start of term 5
- Class R Forest School Sessions all week – please see letter for details

Tuesday, 18th April

- Class 4 Swimming - please remember swimming kit/towel, etc.

New Lunch Menu:

Week 1

w/c Monday, 17th April 2023

£2.41 per day

**To pay for your meals online,
please go to:**

<https://www.parentpayshop.co.uk/schools/wsm>

