

Dear Parents,

We are coming to the end of a successful and productive year and the rigours of school life are beginning to take their toll on the children. We currently have chickenpox going around school. Please be on the lookout for spots!

Tiredness at the end of term can be accumulative and teachers are used to children being more tetchy with their friends and tearful about minor issues at this stage in the year.

COBNOR RESIDENTIAL



Buzzard Class (and myself!) had a fantastic time at Cobnor last week on their residential where they

participated in a range of activities including abseiling, rock climbing, kayaking and mountain biking. We have also had numerous comments from staff on how well the Buzzards had behaved - well done Buzzards! Thank you to Mr Christmas, Mr Lewis and Mrs Scott who gave up their time to accompany the children on the trip.

STAFFING

I understand that there is some concerns regarding Staffing and funding in September. Can I reassure you that at present there are no plans to reduce the hours of permanent members of Staff.

TRADING LEGO CARDS

Swapping Lego cards is popular at school;



however, I would like to remind Parents that the school are not responsible for 'bad swaps'. Please ensure that if you have a child in Key Stage 1 they understand the concept of swapping not getting their original cards back and that 'rare' cards are not brought into school. I have also spoken to the children about the amount of cards they are bringing in, it needs to be a sensible amount.... some are arriving at school with bundles in every pocket and handfuls in their bags!

SCHOOL OFFICE

Please note that from Thursday 22nd June, Mrs Crews will not be in the School Office on Thursday afternoons.

SECURITY GATE INSTALLATION

During the INSET day, 14th June, in order to improve security at Compton and Up Marden CE Primary School, West Sussex County Council will be installing a new security gate on our main entrance in School Lane.

Once installation is complete you will no longer have direct access to the school during the day. In order to access the

school you will need to press the button to speak to reception. The gate will, of course, be open at the beginning and end of the school day.

I am aware that the installation may initially cause some disruption to parents, carers and visitors to school, however when completed it will provide a more robust safeguarding procedure and will ensure all access to the school site is monitored.

Once again, I thank you for your continued support, as we continue to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our children, whilst also meeting health and safety requirements.

Thank you for your patience whilst the work is completed.

UNIFORM

Please ensure all items of your Child's uniform is named. We seem to be accumulating a vast pile of unclaimed unnamed items.

'THANK YOUS'



SPORTS DAY

A big thank you to everyone who was involved in the organisation of Sports Day. It was such an enjoyable morning with a lovely relaxed and friendly atmosphere. It was a delight to see the older children looking after the younger ones and the sportsman-like conduct of all the children. A special thank you to the friends for supplying the very welcome ice-lollies at the end! Congratulations to Winchester House, who were the overall winners this year.

MRS COE

Thank you to Mrs Coe who has sourced us some fabulous handmade games for our Summer fete. Mrs Coe has been liaising with Havant Men's shed on this project. Please look out for the new items at the fete. You may have also seen Charles and members of Havant Men's Shed in the local papers during the past two weeks.

MRS STANDING

Thank you Mrs Standing whose hard work has secured a £1000 grant from the Rowland's Castle Residents Association towards the purchasing of new Clever Touch Screens to replace the current Interactive Whiteboards across the School.

May I take this opportunity to emphasise that if you have any concerns about your child's progress, or any aspect of their school life, please contact firstly the class teacher, then Mr Christmas/myself or pop into see Mrs Crews who will be more than happy to make an appointment.

Thank you for your continued support.
With best wishes

Mrs Claire Inskip
Headteacher

Diary Dates - Summer 2017

New dates this newsletter added in italics

Wednesday 14 th June	INSET
Thursday 15 th June (six week)	Fox Class Swimming - see separate letter
Thursday 15 th June	New Year R in
Monday 19 th June	Tree Walk with Paul Ullson & Arundel Court Primary School
Wednesday 21 st June	Save the Children - Den building day
Friday 23 rd June	Year 6 Leavers Service at Chichester Cathedral (Year 6 Parents invited)
Saturday 24 th June	Summer Fete
Tuesday 27 th June	New Year R in
Thursday 29 th June	FGB Meeting
Wednesday 5 th July	Moving up morning
Thursday 6 th July	Area Sports at Southbourne Juniors (Year 5/6) (Selected teams)
Friday 7 th July	Reports sent home
Monday 10 th July	Summer production - Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 11 th July	Summer Reading Challenge - WSCC Library Service
Tuesday 11 th July	Summer production at 1.30pm
Wednesday 12 th July	Summer production at 6.30pm
<i>Wednesday 12th July</i>	<i>New Year R in</i>
Wednesday 12 th July	Headteacher's Tea Party
<i>Thursday 13th July</i>	<i>Hedgehog trip to Stansted House - letter to follow</i>
Thursday 13 th July	Open Evening 4-6pm
Friday 14 th July	Headteacher's Award assembly 2.30pm (Parents by invitation)
<i>Monday 17th July</i>	<i>Owl Class to Lordington Lavender - letter to follow</i>
Wednesday 19 th July	Prize Giving Assembly 1.30pm

Monday 24th July

Year 6 Leavers assembly (all invited)

Monday 24th July

Last day of term for Children

Tuesday 25th July

INSET

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Monday 4th September 2017

First day back for Children