



WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 26 January 2018

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the school,

As most of you know by now it was with great sadness that we heard of the sudden loss of Steve Wilding (dad of Alex, Evie and Megan) this week. Our thoughts, prayers and love are very much with all the family at this time. Steve was a super supporter of our school and someone who will be very missed in many ways by staff, parents and friends of the school.

In school there has been lots going on with favourite lessons nominated by the school council today;

Year R had a brilliant school visit to the Science Centre (report below)

Year 1 - Art has been great because we have been drawing palm trees and we have kept trying and improving them like in the Austen's Butterfly film! Click [here](#) to watch the film

Year 2 - Our favourite learning was also about Austin's butterfly and we tried to add more detail to our Titanic pictures. It was really hard but we really liked it.

Year 3 - In music we got to play the glockenspiels in partners with different parts. It was tricky but sounded really nice.

Year 4 - We made up our own portal story set in our own settings with different challenges.

Year 5 - English and art combined about 'Voices in the Park' by Antony Browne to draw a scene from the book.

As I write the PTFA and the fabulous Gardening Volunteer Team are getting ready for the cake sale, vegetable sale and clothes sale this afternoon. Happy shopping everyone!

Yours sincerely,

Katy Pinchess, Headteacher



Year 6 - Using 'Tarzia' (triangle puzzle shapes) to answer maths questions. Today we had to match different percentages but the Tarzia puzzles make it more fun.

The teaching staff worked extremely hard on their INSET day to plan ahead for some challenging and fun maths over the next months. They have a special week of mathematical problem solving to get every class thinking 'outside the box' and expect to hear about some very interesting lessons, where thinking is turned upside down and the answer is not as important as the strategy of how to get there!

The office staff say thank you to those parents who have returned the flurry of Calshot and Gordon Brown replies and paid deposits already! Please do get in touch if you have any queries before the **2nd February** deadlines.

CALPOL

At this time of year many of the children are suffering with runny nose and sore throats. If your child is well enough to be in school, but require a lunchtime dose of Calpol/Calprofen (or equivalents), please do bring some to the school office. The easiest and most hygienic option is the sachets if possible. We do require written permission and our trained first aiders will administer when necessary. We do try to keep some on the school premises for **emergencies** only but this is not always available. We are also getting through rather a lot of tissues so should you like to make us a donation a box of tissues would be gratefully received for our shared stock as Mr Lucas's Caretaker budget has been somewhat depleted in the past couple of weeks and we are waiting for another delivery!

**Water
Aid**

PENNIES FOR CHANGE

Year 2 are this week's
champions

Total so far
£39.06

PAPERWORK WHICH CAME HOME THIS WEEK

Whole School – Cross Country letter

Year 6 – Calshot information

Year 5 – Calshot information

Year 4 – Gordon Brown information

Year 1 – Alice Holt trips letter

Year 5 – Watercress Line letter

CM Sports Holiday Club leaflet

SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS REPORT

On Friday the 19th of January, 12 children took part in the Sport Hall Athletics at Perins School. Maddie, Lyla, Bella, David, Henry and Samuel in Year 6 and Saffy, Maisie, Holly, Charles, George and Hugo from Year 5 took part. Everybody tried their best and even though we didn't win we came 6th place overall out of eleven schools! Everybody showed unique skills and great sportsmanship, we even got a few top scores.

By Maddie, Bella and Lyla

Mrs Pinchess notes that the team did Bentley proud and was told that David's javelin throw was the best score that afternoon! Well done Team Bentley.

WE'VE BEEN ON A TRIP...

On Tuesday Year R visited Winchester Science Centre. We had a fabulous workshop on rockets and forces, looked around the interactive science exhibits and then visited the Planetarium to find out about stars and planets.

"I liked blasting off the rockets because it was fun and exciting" by Darcey

"I enjoyed the Planetarium because it felt like really being in space" by Harriet

"I liked the body tunnel because I didn't know much about my body" by George



PTFA NEWS

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Pre-loved clothing sale, as of Thursday evening we had a lovely amount of bags sent in but we are hoping for many more today. A huge thank you to you all for your support and a massive thank you to Jo Dobson for all your organisation and making this all happen. We will let you know next week how we have done with both the sale and with Eco Kids.

Valentine Disco – 8th February

Tickets are now on sale for this event via the PTFA website. The format is the same as last time, the infant disco will start at 5.00pm and finish at 6.00pm. The ticket price will include a glow band, a drink and a snack halfway through the event. The junior disco will commence at 6.15pm and finish at 7.30pm with drinks, snacks and glow novelties on sale. Ticket sales will close on Wednesday 7th February and all children must have been booked a place.

Quiz Night

Tickets are now on sale for this annual event. The event will commence at 7.30pm on Friday 23rd February. Come and join in the fun and get a table together (8 places per table). Dinner will be fish and chips and there will be a pudding auction, (each table will need to bring 1 pudding and this will be auctioned off) a raffle and a game of heads and tails as well as the fun and competitive quiz. We will have a well-stocked bar and will be offering sparkling wine, beer, wine and soft drinks. So please do get your table together and book your space now.

Bentley Bike Ride 30th June 2018: let the training commence...

Get fit, have a laugh, make new friends AND raise money for our school by taking part in the annual Bentley Bike Ride. Now in its third year, the big bike ride has become a legendary event, where parents and friends of Bentley dust off their mountain bikes, dig out some lycra (or not) and hit the trails. Previous off-road biking experience is helpful but not essential, all you need is a positive attitude and a sense of humour. This year's ride promises to be more fun than ever (and may even involve a light breakfast on the beach to start) with stunning scenery guaranteed. As ever, we have experienced route masters, highly skilled support drivers and fabulous en route catering. Funds are raised through sponsorship, and all profits go directly to Bentley Primary.

Training rides start in February: Sunday mornings at 8.30 from the Memorial Hall, and weekday mornings from the school. Contact Tessa Laughton at tessa.laughton@gmail.com for more info. See you there.

If you have any queries on any of the PTFA events please do speak with your class reps

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 30th

Year 3 Assembly – 9.05am

Monday 5th

Year 2 – SeaCity Museum trip
Year 3 Iron Age Experience Day

Tuesday 6th

Year 5 to Watercress Line Station
Alton Cross Country Competition

Thursday 8th

Year 1 – Alice Holt trip
PTFA Valentine Disco

Monday 12th to Friday 16th

Half Term

CRAZE

of the week

23 – 26 January



Lego Cards & Lego

THANK YOU...

... to the **Boston family, the Lacey family and the Schafer family** for the donations of books and games

Catering Assistant position

HC3S are looking for a catering assistant to join the team at Binsted School, working Monday to Friday, 11.15am to 1.30pm.

Please contact Mandy Jones on 07551 153004 for more information.