

# Newsletter

The children have had an amazing end to the Spring Term with lots of work to showcase. Some children have also had the opportunity to represent the school in various sporting events.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support and to wish you all a restful break.

**Tony Head**  
Headteacher

## Curriculum update.

### Nursery

This month Nursery had a fantastic time on World Book Day. We dressed up as our favourite book characters and made some marmalade sandwiches, which were delicious!



We have also been learning about 'People who help us.' We have been role playing being doctors, nurses, receptionists and patients, having to deal with a variety of different injuries.



In phonics we have been learning about syllables, rhyming words and words starting with the sounds c, k, e and u.

### Year R

Year R have had a fantastic half term learning about pirates and keeping healthy. In our writing we have started to think about making our sentences more interesting using wow words.



In maths we have been learning our numbers bonds to 5 and 10 and some of us have started thinking about the inverse of these. We have also celebrated World Book Day by learning about Paddington Bear and making marmalade sandwiches.

This half term we have seen some very creative dressing up for Pirate Day, World Book Day and Red Nose Day. The children have been very excited and have loved seeing what their friends were dressed up as. We have recently had a visit from the Teddy Bears Hospital where we learnt about keeping safe and healthy.



## Year 1

This term Year 1 have been busy learning about animals in science. As part of this learning, they visited Marwell Zoo on a school trip which was an excellent day (if a bit soggy!) Year 1 really enjoyed seeing all the animals and learning about what category of animal they are, what they eat and where in the world they come from. After the trip, they wrote some superb recounts of the trip including their favourite animal that they saw.



Year 1 have also designed and made fruit salads this term as part of their DT learning. They choose the fruit they wanted to use and then used their practiced chopping skills to cut the fruit and assemble their fruit salad. This was great fun and most importantly delicious!



## Year 2

In Year 2 we have enjoyed INDIA DAY! When we arrived at school we were transported to the bustling city of Mumbai. We had lots of fun exploring all the things to do! We got to ride in tuk tuks around the lively streets of Mumbai, learn about different spices Indian's use in their cooking, and even tried some delicious Indian food.



We then read some remarkable facts about India from the Mumbai Street library, including how special Indian elephants are, which we then tried to resemble using the multilink. We designed rangoli patterns using chalk and made flower garlands to wear. We also used coloured strips of paper to make the Indian flag.



We got to experience what clothes Indian's wear and dressed up in the Sari Shop.

We went to the street barber, which was fun trying

different hairstyles on our friends and teachers.

We learnt about Bollywood dancing and then practised dancing.



### Year 3

This month in Year 3 has been very exciting! In English, we have continued our topic on ancient Greece and have written informative reports on different mythical beasts. We have also created a clay sculpture of the mythical beast Medusa in art. The children were very creative and have produced some excellent sculptures using a range of techniques. World Book Day was on the 7<sup>th</sup> of March and Year 3 dressed up as our favourite book characters and wrote about the exciting new sights Paddington would have seen on his first visit to London.



### Year 4

Through this month Year 4 have been working hard in all areas of the curriculum. Some highlights have been:

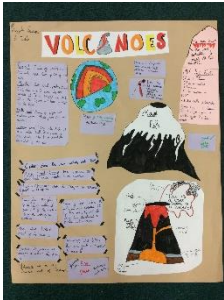
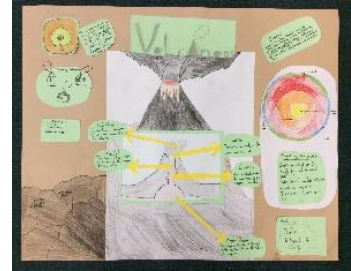
- Planning, writing, editing and publishing our incredible Antarctica reports.
- Exploring purses and beginning to think of our own design.
- Investigating sound using our new data loggers and exploring what happens when sound is insulated.
- Learning to tell the time including converting between the 12-hour and the 24-hour clock.

We have also started learning to play our new musical instrument and were treated to a wonderful performance from Baby SUSO (the university orchestra). World Book Day was a lot of fun, we explored the different places in London that Paddington might have visited, wrote our own Paddington stories and constructed a 3D model of an old-fashioned telephone box.



## Year 5

Year 5 have had a brilliant time so far in DT and have had lots of fun tasting and designing their own pizzas which will be showcased at our Year 5 Portswood Pizzeria next week. The children have also created amazing case studies on volcanoes from across the globe. During their group projects they were also able to show off their newly acquired knowledge of volcanoes. They have also created some brilliant explanation texts in English. In French, they have been learning all about 'les quatre saisons' and have written some impressive sentences. Well done Year 5!



## Year 6

The Year 6 children are enjoying their new unit in science about humans. They have been learning about the circulatory system and the different parts of the heart. Using their superb acting skills, they had lots of fun using drama to replicate the journey of the blood through the heart which helped them with their explanation skills and use of scientific vocabulary. This links into PE where they are currently doing circuit training, thinking about how to exercise different muscle groups and the benefit of getting their hearts pumping!

The pupils are still enjoying learning about the Victorians in History and impressed the teachers with their persuasive speeches in role as Lord Shaftsbury, about important changes that needed to be made, such as working conditions in factories and schooling. In art, the children have been perfecting their sketching skills, learning about one and two-point perspective, ready to design and draw their own Victorian street.



## Baby SUSO Orchestra Visit

We welcomed the wonderful Baby Southampton University Orchestra to our school. They performed to every year group in the school showcasing their different instruments performing 'Mars from the Planets Suite' and 'How to Train Your Dragon'. Everybody enjoyed the performance enormously and we are extremely grateful that they gave up their time in order to give us the experience of listening to live music.



## Cross Country.

What a wonderful month for our Cross-Country runners! In March we attended the Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2 championships held at the Outdoor Sports Centre.

The children ran incredibly well and really enjoyed the race.

Medals were awarded to Isla for 1<sup>st</sup> place and Niene for 3<sup>rd</sup> place.



It was lovely to see so many people returning for the race as well as new faces. We hope to see more of you joining when the cross country returns in September.

## Upcoming events.

### Red Nose Day

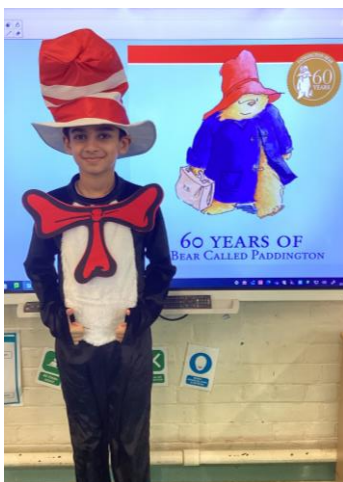
**Friday 15 March 2024 - Dress up for Joy**

It was once again nice to see everyone dressed for Joy. Together we managed to raise £290.00.



Thank you.

## World Book Day.



## Dates / Activities

Date	Activity
Monday 25 March 2024	Last week for clubs
Monday 25 March 2024	Fire Rescue Service visiting Year 1 & 5
Monday 25 March 2024	Year 4 & 5 walk to Turner Sims for Mish Mash Concert
Friday 29 March – Friday 12 April 2024	Easter Holiday
Monday 15 April 2024	Inset day – children not at school
Tuesday 16 April 2024	Children back to school
Monday 22 April 2024	Clubs start this week
Thursday 25 April 2024	Year R Trip to Longdown Farm.
Tuesday 30 April 2024	Year 2 Trip to Porchester Castle



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**SUNDAY 24  
MARCH 2024**

# **HENDY EASTLEIGH JUNIOR FUN RUN**

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This is your chance to 'Go for Gold' at the Hendy Eastleigh Junior Fun Run event for the 12s and unders on Sunday 24 March 2024. The event is run around Fleming Park, Eastleigh and will be supporting WESSEX Heartbeat.

## **FUN RUN FEATURES**

- The race starts at 11am for 9-12s, and 11.15am for 4-8 year olds.
- Entry is only £7 per child but limited to a maximum of 300 e.g. 150 per race (entries will not be taken on the day).
- Appropriate running clothes or tracksuits are recommended.
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**WEDNESDAY 10 APRIL**

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# EASTER HOLIDAY CINEMA

SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' UNION

**MON 08 APRIL**

10:00 - 10:50

LITTLE one's MOVIE MORNING

PEPPA PIG - THE EASTER BUNNY (U)

12:00 - 13:35

KID'S CINEMA CLUB

PETER RABBIT 2 (U)

14:00 - 15:35

FAMILY FLICKS

HOP (U)

**TUE 09 APRIL**

10:00 - 11:20

LITTLE one's MOVIE MORNING

PAW PATROL - THE MIGHTY MOVIE (U)

12:00 - 13:50

KID'S CINEMA CLUB

SING (U)

15:00 - 16:40

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