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NEWSLETTER – 15th February 2019

We have reached the end of an incredibly busy half term. The children have worked so hard and have really enjoyed some captivating topics throughout the school, including toys, chocolate and Norse battles to the death! The engagement and subsequent progress has been a pleasure to see, and we have received many compliments from the Local Authority Advisors regarding the excellent teaching and learning in our school.

There are lots of dates added to our calendar on our school website – please do check them out at:

<https://www.chawton.hants.sch.uk/calendar/> All our school letters and newsletters are also regularly uploaded onto our website, should they go astray in children's bags... <https://www.chawton.hants.sch.uk/page/?title=Letters&pid=13>

There are lots of exciting events happening in school next half term; details of some are below, such as Chawton Week and Book Week. We can't wait to share our learning with you!

Additionally, our School Council have been busy working with children in their class to choose what they would like for the new front playground markings. Representatives are currently meeting with several companies to explain their requirements and once we have quotes in we can move forwards with this next project. Please do support our CSSG events, which help fund projects such as these within our school – thank you! Have a wonderful half term and we look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 25th February.

Worship

It has been genuinely enthusing exploring **generosity** with the children this half term; they have carefully considered this value and what it means to them, as well as the wider world and in a Christian context. From the stories we have listened to, and the examples we have heard, they have taken many ideas on board and now our School Council are working on ways for our school community to be more generous with our community, such as writing letters to those who may be lonely and visiting those who may need a friend – we are looking forward to seeing the fruits of this venture, and sharing it with you!

Chawton Week

Chawton week begins the week commencing 25th February. The week has an historical focus and all teachers are planning an historical enquiry for their children to follow. Teachers may welcome additional helpers for walks/visits etc. Please do let teachers know if you can help.

New Language Teacher

We are very pleased to announce that our new Spanish teacher, Mrs Jean Holden, will be joining us after half term. Mrs Holden is teaching at St Lawrence school as well and will be with us for half a day each week, starting on the Tuesday after half term. We are very excited to be offering Spanish lessons to the children.

Book Week and World Book Day

WORLD
BOOK
DAY

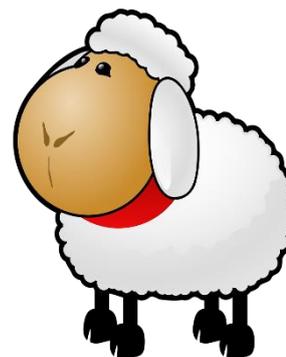
Book Week begins the week commencing 4th March. There will be lots of activities throughout the week including the Scholastic Book Fair, Story Corner with special guests, story games and Miss Tilley's Book Quiz.

On Thursday 7th March children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character and on Friday 8th March there will be a Sharing Assembly so the children can show you all of the exciting things they have been doing.

The South Downs National Park Dark Skies Festival

The South Downs National Park is hosting a Dark Skies Festival, Friday 15 February to Sunday 3 March with activities and events taking place across the National Park. Following on from the Astronomy Evening in November, this is another chance to have a guided look at the night skies. Everyone is invited to Stargazing South Downs, **Saturday 16 February in Midhurst** or **Monday 18 February in Petersfield**. There will be a wide range of activities for budding astronomers and space enthusiasts, including indoor planetarium shows, virtual reality experiences, advice on setting up telescopes and astronaut selfie stands.

For more details see the attached flyer or go to www.southdowns.gov.uk/darkskiesfestival



Just for Ewe!

Sheep stories and crafts

Alton Library
Thursday 21st
February
2.15pm - 3.15pm

Ages 4-8

Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent/carer.

Notices

Dinner Money – statements were sent home this week. Please ensure that your child’s dinner money account is in credit before they order any meals. You can pay for dinners online via ScoPay or with a cheque or cash in the office. Cheques should be made payable to HCC. **If your child’s account is not in credit when they return after half term they will not be able to order school dinners.** If you have any concerns about paying for school meals or you think you might be eligible for free school meals, please speak to Miss Tilley, Mrs Morton or Mrs Edwards.

Alpha Trampoline club – In November last year some of our children took part in a trampoline taster session at Eggars. Please see the attached flyer for details of Alpha Trampoline Clubs taster day over half term.

Year 4/5 Swimming – Year 4 and 5 will begin their swimming lessons on Tuesday 26th February. Please remind your child to bring a towel, bathing costume (not bikini or huge, long surfing shorts), goggles (if your child wears them) **and a swimming hat (which is compulsory for all lessons).**

House Points

	FALCONS	EAGLES	HAWKS
PREVIOUS YEAR TOTAL	2276	2481	2313
WEEK TOTAL	261	294	138
NEW YEAR TOTAL	2537	2765	2451

Letters home this week

Cooking Club Y3/4

Parent Helpers

Yr6 Girls - Women’s World Day of Prayer

Attendance

Attachments

Petersfield Stargazing

Midhurst Stargazing

Alpha Trampoline Club

Our Achievements

Congratulations to Hettie and Jessica who took part in the recent British Baton Twirling Association Competition. Hettie was awarded 4 medals and 1 team trophy, 3rd Place - Basic, 3rd Place - Military, 1st Place - Team Twirl and 3rd Place - Formation. Jessica was awarded 2 first places, one for an individual routine and one for a group routine. 2 second places, 2 third places and 1 fourth place. Fantastic results for the whole team!



Well done to George who was awarded a Certificate for Endeavour at U6 Alton RFC training on Sunday 27th January.



Well done to Fraser & Euan who raised over £700 for Hampshire Paediatric Diabetes Group by collection coins and giving out stickers at Chineham Tesco last weekend. Great fundraising boys!!





A message from Hampshire Music Service

The first half term of 2019 is almost over, but there are many music opportunities coming up soon for Hampshire pupils. Take a look below for just some of the events and activities on offer.

Get Musical!

12-23 August 2019

Wildern School, Hedge End

For the first time, Hampshire Music Service will be running 'Get Musical!', a week of musical theatre followed by a week of exciting instrumental workshops. Taking place 12-23 August 2019, this promises to be a fantastic opportunity for young people to try something new and make friends with like-minded individuals. For more information and to find out how to book, visit our website:

[Get Musical!](#)

Hampshire Play Day

Sunday 17 March

Brookfield Community School

Come and be part of this exciting and unique opportunity to discover new music and meet other young musicians. Over the course of the day, young brass, string, woodwind and percussion players from across Hampshire will form a unique ensemble. They will receive expert tuition from Hampshire Music Service sectional tutors and perform in a concert to family and friends. The music chosen

will be suitable for players between grade/stage 1 and 4 standard. The total cost for the day is £10, which also includes the afternoon concert. Please note that participants will need to bring their own packed lunch. In order to secure your place, please complete the online Application Form and then make a payment online through the Hantsweb Shop. If only one of these tasks are complete, then a place will not be secured for you.

Visit our website for more information:

[Hampshire Play Day](#)

Hampshire Flute Day

10 March, Lantern Theatre, Romsey, 10am-5pm

Workshop ticket £25 (includes 4pm concert)

Flautists from grade 3 to advanced level are invited to take part in the next Hampshire Flute Day in Romsey. This is a wonderful opportunity to play the flute with friends and to get top tips from professional London-based flautists, Abigail Burrows and Gareth McLearnon. There will be fun warm ups, flute choir sessions, a West End Play Along, A Fluting Fairy Tale and a chance to meet flutes, weird and wonderful, from around the world.

Participants will perform in the 4pm concert in the flute choir, which will also feature performances by Abbie and Gareth, and the Hampshire Flute Choir.

Tickets for the concert at 4pm are £10 for adults, £5 for children. Everyone is welcome, and participants who have attended during the day can stay to the concert for free. Places can be booked via www.fluteday.co.uk and the closing date for bookings is 22 February.

BBC Ten Pieces Concert

Sunday 24 March 2019

The Anvil, Basingstoke

Join us on Sunday 24 March at 4pm for a concert of exciting and popular classical music. A collaboration between Hampshire County Youth Orchestra, Hampshire County Youth Jazz Centre and Romsey Youth Concert Band, featuring a new work by Hampshire jazz musician Laura Jurd and music by Bernstein, Holst, Bates and more, including *Mambo* from *West Side Story* and *Mars* from *The Planets*.

Tickets available from [Anvil Arts](#)

Next week at Chawton

Next week is Half Term. The children return to school on Monday 25th February.

w/c 25.02.19	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM		Y4/5 Swimming	Violin Lessons		Guitar Lessons
Lunch Time					Yr6 Girls - Women's World Day of Prayer
PM		2:45pm – Calshot Meeting			Badminton - Eggars
After School	Badminton	3:15 – East Meon Meeting		Year 3 & 4 Cooking Club 3.15 – 4.30pm STEM Club 3.15 – 4.15pm	PH Sports Rugby Training Y4, 5, & 6 3.15 – 4.15pm

Sharing Worship:

(Sharing our half term value)

- 08.03.19 – Sharing worship
- 03.05.19 – Sharing worship
- 14.06.19 – Sharing worship

Sharing Assemblies:

(Certificates, achievements and some of our learning)

- 22.03.19 – Sharing worship
- 23.05.19 – Sharing worship

Class Assemblies:

(Sharing topic learning from the half term)

- tba – Yew/Sycamore
- tba – Maple/Beech
- 03.04.19 – Maple/Beech
- 04.04.19 – Year 4 East Meon Assembly
- 24.04.19 – Calshot Parent Assembly
- 15.05.19 – Oak Class Assembly
- 08.07.19 – Maple/Beech
- 11.07.19 – Yew/Sycamore

Theme Weeks:

- 04.02.19 – Safer Internet Week (Miss Spencer leading)
- 25.02.19 – Chawton Week – History focus (Mrs Andrews leading)
- 04.03.19 – Book Week (Miss Blandford leading)
- 20.05.19 – Technology/STEM Week (Mrs Ross leading)

Open Classrooms (3:15 – 4:00pm):

(A chance to share your child's learning in their classroom with them)

- 09.05.19
- 20.06.19

Music Assemblies (2:45pm):

(Choirs and peripatetic musicians will perform to everyone)

- 25.03.19
- 16.07.19

Inset Days:

- 24.05.19
- 03.06.19

Dates for your diaries: Please note that for the majority of these events further details will be sent nearer the time. We will ensure that new dates, or any changed due to unforeseen circumstances, are in red.

Spring 2

01.03.19 – Women’s World Day of Prayer – Yr6 girls
01.03.19 – CSSG Cake & Uniform Sale Organised by Beech Class
04.03.19 – Book Fair
07.03.19 – World Book day
08.03.19 – Sharing Worship
22.03.19 – Sharing Worship
25.03.19 – Music Assembly
27.03.19 – Easter play to parents 5:30pm
28.03.19 – Easter Play to parents 2:00pm
29.03.18 – CSSG Cake & Uniform Sale Organised by Yew Class
01.04.19 – 04.04.19 – Calshot
01.04.19 – 03.04.19 – East Meon
03.04.19 – Maple/Beech Class Assembly - 2.45pm, Parents welcome
04.04.19 – Year 4 East Meon Assembly
05.04.19 – Easter Service – 2:30pm and collection from church.

Summer

22.04.19 – BANK HOLIDAY
24.04.19 – KS2 SATs Meeting 3:15-3:45pm – Esme
25.04.19 – KS1 SATs Meeting 3:15 – 3:45pm – Kirsty
29.04.19 – Year 5 Bikeability
06.05.19 – BANK HOLIDAY
10.05.19 – CSSG Cake & Uniform Sale Organised by Maple Class
13.05.18 – SATS Week (Year 6)
14.05.19 – Class Photos
07.06.19 – CSSG Cake & Uniform Sale Organised by Sycamore Class
10.06.19 – Phonics testing (Year 1)
21.06.19 – CSSG Summer Fair
25.06.19 – Sports Day – 1:15pm on field
28.06.19 – Race for Life – 2:00pm
02.07.19 – Reserve Sports Day
05.07.19 – CSSG Cake & Uniform Sale Organised by Oak Class
16.07.19 – Year 5 Perins Taster Day
16.07.19 – Year 6 production – 6:30pm
17.07.19 – Year 6 production – 6:30pm
22.07.19 – Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly – 2:00pm
22.07.19 – Year 6 Leavers’ BBQ
23.07.19 – Leavers’ service – 9:30am