

Padnell Post



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8th February 2018 Spring Term No 2



Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day 2018 was celebrated globally on **Tuesday 6th February 2018** with the slogan "Create, Connect and Share Respect. Each class this week have been reminded of how to keep safe online.

You will have received an "Online Safety" Leaflet on Tuesday. This is also available to view on our website.



Year R Superhero Day

We have a vast array of Superheroes in school today. Year R are celebrating their Superhero topic and look fantastic! As part of their knowledge of the world, they have learnt of the "real life" heroes in society like Police Officers, Nurses, Firemen and Paramedics.



Year 1 Assembly

The children are looking forward to sharing their learning with their parents/carers tomorrow (Friday 9th February), at 9.15am. This is a great opportunity to involve you in their learning.



Toy Library Donations

Thank you for the toy donations we have received for the Toy Library. If you're having a sort out over half term, we're happy to accept any donations up until Wednesday 21st February (the week we return to school).



After School Clubs

We hope the children who have joined our clubs are enjoying them. They will continue after Half Term, running from 19th February to 12th March.



Big Garden Bird Watch

Thank you to the children who took part in the RSPB's Birdwatch and shared their findings with me.



Assemblies

We shared an update on our Hearing Dog Mickey with the children. You will be pleased to know that Mickey is doing well with his training, having finished his socialising he is now learning to respond to alarms.

Don't forget we have a small collection box if you ever have any spare change. We have just passed on £12 that we have collected so far. Thank you.

Reverend Snares from St Wilfrid's joined us to deliver an assembly on the story of Zacchaeus.

PIPSA



Many hands make light work

Arrangements for our Pamper Night are in full swing. It would be great if you could come along on Friday 2nd March, either for a drink with friends and a browse of the shopping stalls, or for a treatment from one of our many therapists.

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There will be two further events in March: a Bake Sale on Monday 12th, and our Easter Magic Show on Monday 26th. Further details will be sent home in due course.



Marvellous Me

We are delighted with all your positive comments regarding Marvellous Me. 263 out of 267 parents have signed up.

Starting after half term, we will be using the MME system in place of Scopay text messages.

Get Fit Friday



Get Fit Friday's are returning! From 23rd February we will be starting each Friday with a fun filled dance/exercise routine in the Main Playground at 8.40am. This is for the whole school and parents so please join in! Classroom doors will open at the normal time of 8.45am.

For our new Parents, Get Fit Friday's are a fun event we started two years ago to promote fitness and help the brain wake up for a day of learning.

Children's Mental Health Week (5-11 Feb)

You may have seen The Duchess of Cambridge on TV supporting Children's Mental Health Week 2018.

Understanding that we are all unique, with our own strengths, qualities and interests is very important for our wellbeing. Through having a positive view of ourselves, we can feel better equipped to cope with life's challenges and make better connections with others.

As parents and carers, we place a very important role in helping our children to understand that they are unique.

Here are a few simple ways we can encourage our children to understand the importance of "Being Ourselves".

- **Point out your children's positive qualities:** determination, courage, kindness – help them to notice what makes them unique.
- **Have a chat about the strengths, qualities and interests** within your family over dinner, in the car or when you are playing together.... It can be fun to notice how we are all different from each other!
- **Celebrate your efforts with your children.** Whether you go for a run, get promoted at work or cook a great meal, sharing your achievements, no matter how matter how big or small, will help your children to recognise their own.

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Joey's Field

Did you know that we have recently improved access to Joey's Field with the laying of a new pathway? This has meant that we have been able to continue to use Joey's Field throughout this long, wet winter. In addition, Mr Grayson has improved the pond platform so that the children can get even closer to nature!



Collaboration/Moderation

As a team we work with other schools in the local area to ensure our standards are maintained. Thanks to Horndean, Denmead, Catherington and St John's for joining us to moderate the work in our English and Maths books. Thank you to Miss Skillern (English Lead) and Mrs Tripp (Maths lead) for facilitating this.



Congratulations

Well done to Mrs Tripp who has successfully interviewed to become a Hampshire County Key Stage One Moderator. This means she will visit other schools and help other teachers validate their judgements. This in turn will give us a great insight and comparison as to how we are doing at Padnell.

Half Term



School will finish at 3.05pm tomorrow (Friday 9th February). Zumba and Crafty club will continue as usual. School will re-open on Monday 19th February.

We cannot believe how quickly this half term has flown by. We look forward to returning to some warming spring weather, lighter evenings and to witness the hundreds of bulbs we planted last Autumn for Padnell in Bloom begin to flourish.

Don't forget to get your World Book Day costume ready!

We hope you have an enjoyable break.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Mandy Grayson
Headteacher

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Resilient Learner
Original thinker
Wise Worker

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**Please check our website for the list of dates
for the whole year.**

Date	Event	Year Group	Info
Friday 9th February 3.05pm	Last Day of Term		
Monday 12th – Friday 16th February	Half Term	School Closed	
Monday 19th February	Children return to school		
Thursday 1st March	World Book Day	Whole School	
Friday 2nd March (evening)	PIPSA Pamper Night	Evening shopping & pamper event	Details to follow
Thursday 8th March	International Women's Day		
w/c 12th March	Science & Engineering Week		
Monday 12th March	PIPSA Bake Sale	Whole School/PIPSA	
Thursday 15th March	Sublime Science Workshop	Years 1 & 2	In School Event
Friday 16th March	INSET Day	Whole School	School closed to children
Tuesday 20th March 3.10 – 5.30pm	Parents Evening	All Parents/Carers	School Hall. Please book your appointment online
Thursday 22nd March 3.10 – 7pm	Parents Evening	All Parents/Carers	School Hall. Please book your appointment online
Friday 23rd March	St Wilfred's Assembly (Palm Sunday)	Whole School (Children only)	To be confirmed

w/c Monday 26th March	RE Week		
Monday 26th March 3.10pm – 4pm	Magic Show	PIPSA	School Hall
Thursday 29th March	Wear a Hat Day	All Children	Details to follow
Thursday 29th March 3.05pm	Last Day of Term		
Monday Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April	School Closed	Easter Holidays	
Monday 16th April	Return to school		