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Dear Parents and Carers,

Shrove Tuesday pancake races!

The whole school joined together on Shrove Tuesday to take part in pancake races on the playground. Sports leaders encouraged the teams and did an excellent job of making sure everyone had fun. Well done to the blue team for being the overall winners.



NSPCC visit

The NSPCC visited us on 26th February and held assemblies for both KS1 and KS2. Years 5 & 6 also took part in a workshop about keeping safe.



Lent is a tradition that reminds us of the forty days Jesus spent in the desert, preparing for his ministry on earth where he would ultimately give himself as a sacrifice. Lent finishes at Easter every year, so many Christians use the Lent period to spend time reflecting on Jesus' death and resurrection.

Traditionally we mark Lent by giving something up, but what if Lent was preparation for a lifetime of generosity and serving others?

Small acts of generosity, performed by thousands of people across the UK and beyond, have the power to make a big change to our communities and, ultimately, to our world.

You can find out all about the challenge at 40acts.org.uk. Please find attached a 40 acts family wallchart.

JRSO assembly

On Tuesday 3rd March we held a road safety assembly. We picked people and dressed them in dark clothing, florescent clothing and reflective clothing. We all performed a poem called 'be bright be seen' then we read a powerpoint about wearing florescent clothing and having something bright on your bag. Next we did a song about 'stop, look, listen, think'. Finally, we launched our poster competition. We can't wait to see the entries by the deadline of Tuesday 10th March. Junior Road Safety Officers



Love Hope Justice



Author visit

On Wednesday 4th March Owls and Robins classes were visited by author Annabelle Sami to talk to them about her debut novel Agent Zaiba Investigates the Missing Diamonds. Authors are in high demand at this time of year and can be booked up to a year in advance around World Book Day. The children asked some insightful questions about her approach to writing and she was extremely encouraging of some of our budding authors.



World book day

On Thursday 5th March we celebrated World Book Day. The children, as part of their half-term homework had been asked to research a character and prepare their costumes. Thank you to those children who donated £1 of their own money to Book Aid International. Over the last 3 years we have spent a large amount of school money purchasing current, exciting and challenging book stock. The money collected from World Book Day is sent to Book Aid International who buy books for libraries, schools and refugee camps around the world.

SATs Revision

We have updated and added some websites for the Year 's to use. Please find them on the school website under curriculum.

Living the Values Awards

Children who have been recognised for living the school values of Love, Hope and Justice by demonstrating virtues such as respect, service, compassion, kindness, courage, and fairness. Well done to:

Sybilla C	Henry B	Jesamy L
Charlotte S	Will B	Evie L
Harry A	Miriam C	Martha L
Lorna T	George LH	George N
Ted W	Rosie G	Daisy G
Maddie CN	Poppy G	Henry B
Oscar M	Connie LW	Jessica P
Scarlett S	Bea R	Apryl W



Building Learning Power (BLP) Awards for demonstrating Resilience, Reflectiveness, Resourcefulness and Teamwork in learning.

Well done to:

Jasmine B	Carter G	Cooper A
Hatty N	Kirah P	George A
George E	Charlie H	Maddie CN
Alfie D	Apryl W	Margot J
Archie C	Phoebe S	Emme A
Rufus W	Rio C	Sophie CN
Sophie R	Tabby L	



Coronavirus

It is hard to avoid news of Coronavirus at the moment but we feel that it is important to share what we are doing in school with parents. Please see below the sensible precautions that we are taking following guidance from the DFE. We receive daily updates from the DFE and if we have any concerns, the school will contact Public Health England.

To clarify, the school does not currently have any confirmed cases. We have been informed that messages have been posted on social media by some parents stating that there is a case in school. When our attention is unnecessarily diverted from the day to day running of the school it does not help the school or parents deal with this complex situation. Parents should not use WhatsApp or social media to discuss pupils, staff or school matters.

We have a responsibility to do the very best for our community and we have identified times during the school day where the children need to wash their hands. We are aware of the impact this will have in class with regard to timings but it is important that we do this.

Classes will follow the plan below for washing hands:

1. On arrival to the school
2. Before break /snack
3. Before lunch
4. Afternoon/Before end of day

Children will also be reminded of the importance of washing hands after going to the toilet and if coughing or sneezing into their hands. We encourage them to use tissues that are thrown in the bin afterwards.

Staff must wash hands frequently at school.

Visitors to School

We will ask volunteers and visitors to wash their hands when they arrive at school and they will be shown to the adult toilets to ensure safeguarding.

If any pupils or parents think they have symptoms of the coronavirus, they should call NHS 111 for advice and follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Contact details

It is essential that the school has two current emergency contact details for all children in the school. Please contact the school office if you need to make any amendments.

We want to reassure you that if there are any developments you will be notified by the school. Thank you for your support.

With best wishes

Mrs. Simrit Otway
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

End of Spring Term – Friday 3rd April

Easter Holidays 4th-19th April

Inset days:

20th April

22nd July

A list of 2019-2020 Hampshire school dates, including half term holidays, Christmas and Easter, can be found on the school website as well as on the Hampshire website



FAMILY WALLCHART

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Activities

- Write/Draw
- Give out
- Care
- Act/Do
- Think
- Spiritual
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- Make

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| <p>1 Write out your favourite Bible verse as a reminder to keep going for the next 40 days!</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>2 Start a giving jar and collect up loose change or donate some of your pocket money.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>3 Make some cakes or biscuits to share.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>4 Smile at ten people today.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>5 Buy a treat for a friend or someone who needs one today.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> |
| <p>6 Send someone a message to let them know you are thinking about them.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>7 Family Hold Back (FHB) with a difference – hold back at the meal table for that extra slice of cake or biscuit.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>8 Make a card for someone you know who is unwell.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>9 Leave coins taped to a car park/vending machine or in a supermarket trolley.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>10 Pick up ten pieces of litter today.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> |
| <p>11 Say hi to someone outside your usual circle today.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>12 It's Chocolate Tuesday! Give out anything with chocolate.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>13 Write out one of your favourite Bible verses and share it with someone.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>14 Get to know the name and say 'hi' to your local shopkeeper, lollipop person, bus driver or school caretaker.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>15 Go on a prayer walk. Find places to stop and pray (e.g. on your route to school).</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> |
| <p>16 Be neighbourly: say hello or drop a card round to one of your neighbours.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>17 Offer to help with anything, at school, church or home.</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>18 Climate change: what can you do to save energy today?</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>19 Go online and find out about children who are less fortunate than you (e.g. refugees, asylum seekers or children in modern day slavery).</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>20 Make a generosity kit and give it away. Add some pens/pencils, a £1 coin, tissues, sweets – what else?</p> <p></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> |



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21 Be generous with your words: pay compliments today.

22 Tomorrow is Mother's Day. Make cards, buy flowers and tidy the house for the people who care for you.

23 Today is no complaining! If you or someone else complains about anything a forfeit goes into your Giving Jar!

24 What are you really good at? Could you use your talent to help or teach someone else?

25 Have a proper chat! Phone Granny, a cousin or a friend you haven't spoken to in a while.

26 Give someone a Fairtrade Easter egg.

27 Write a mega-list of all the things you are grateful for and then decorate the paper.

28 What have you promised to do and then forgotten? Try and remember and put your words into action!

29 Your Giving Jar should be filling up nicely. Research what charity you want to donate the money to.

30 Find out about your local foodbank; what 'treat' could you donate today?

31 Write thank-you cards to people that help you (e.g. your teacher, postman, road sweeper, checkout assistant...).

32 Stretch your generosity: what prized possession could you give away today?

33 Spend less time looking at screens, and play board games or share other activities.

34 It's Saturday so a bit more time. Plan a fundraising idea, like a cake or book sale. Discuss what charity you want to support.

35 Draw a large heart and write in it all the ways you can love someone.

36 Tidy up your bedroom, change the sheets and then do someone else's.

37 Send an anonymous gift to someone you know.

38 What horrible jobs need doing? You could empty the bins or wash the car/dog!

39 It's Good Friday. Say sorry first, even if you think it wasn't your fault.

40 Well done; you have reached 40! Count out your Giving Jar and donate the money to your chosen charity. Work out which of the 40 challenges you could carry on doing after Easter.