



# Preston Candover CE Primary School

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## Newsletter No. 13 – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and were able to enjoy the lovely weather. Class teachers will be sending their curriculum newsletters home with the learning experiences your children will enjoy this term. We have some exciting visits and workshops planned for this term!

### Hampshire School Games

Throughout the year there are a variety of virtual skills



based competitions organised by Energise Me and the Hampshire School Games for all schools across Hampshire to take part in. Classes take part in these during their PE sessions in school and then the results from their personal best are sent in to Energise Me to be collated. Certificates are awarded for the top three teams in our area and the top three teams in the County. During the Spring term, there was a skipping competition - with the challenge of seeing how many skips the children could do in 30 seconds for KS1 and 60 seconds for KS2. Our Year 1's came 3<sup>rd</sup> in this, Year 2 second and Year 5 third.

We also took part in a Panathlon Competition. There were three parts to this challenge. The first part was a beanbag target where 15 numbered hoops were laid out. The children had to throw five beanbags and see what the highest total was they could get. The second part was a slalom course. For this the children had to navigate their way in and out of six cones, whilst balancing a beanbag on a racket as many times as they

could in 45 seconds. The final part of the challenge was a basketball shot - where points were scored for how many times they could throw a ball into a hoop. Again classes took part in this during their PE sessions and the results from their personal best sent in to be collated. Our Year 1 came 2<sup>nd</sup> in our area for this overall and our Year 5 1<sup>st</sup>! There are two more events of this kind that we will be taking part in over the summer term - a run, throw and jump challenge and a tennis skills one.

### Reminders

As the weather becomes warmer, please remember to make sure your child has their named water bottle in school with them. Do also apply sun cream as necessary before school. May we ask that you name all of your child's clothing. As the weather warms up and cardigans and jumpers are removed, we want to make sure they can be returned to their owners. Appropriate school shoes should be worn, no trainers please and PE Kits should be as school uniform colours.



### Queen's Jubilee School Picnic

On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May, we will be celebrating the Queen's Jubilee with a school picnic, out on the school field – weather permitting. Our kitchen team have put together a "Royal Picnic" menu for the occasion – more details regarding what we will be doing on the day will be sent out nearer the time.



Love Hope Justice



### **Breakfast Club**

We are delighted to say that the staff run breakfast club began this week and it was lovely to see a small group of children enjoying breakfast and spending some quiet time with their friends, before the school day began. If you would like your child to attend, please contact the school office. The breakfast club runs on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning from 7.50am to 8.35am.

### **After School Clubs – led by school staff**

You will, by now have received confirmation whether your child has been offered a place on one of the after school clubs, being run by staff. These are extremely popular and we currently have waiting lists for all of them. Therefore, please let us know if there is any change in your child attending one of these clubs.

The Singing & Songwriting Club with Mrs Meier will start up again after the May/June half term holiday – details of this and if you would like your child to attend, will be sent out shortly.

### **PCSA Fundraising**

This week, all the children brought home a hard copy of a letter and template regarding “Jubilee” coasters – this is a fundraising initiative which we hope you will all support. The forms and payment need to be returned to the school office by TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY. So far, we have received some amazing designs – please encourage your child to design a coaster over this long weekend.

The summer term is always an enriching one and as the last term of the year, it is when we see the children applying their learning more independently. We also have various statutory tests and teacher assessments. More information will follow from class teachers regarding this early next week. Therefore, we ask that families do not take time away for term time holidays. Thank you for your support. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Best wishes

Mrs Simrit Otway  
Headteacher

### **Dates for your Diary**

2<sup>nd</sup> May – May Day Bank Holiday  
30<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Half-term Holiday  
9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> May Y6 SATS week  
17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> May – Y2 SATs window  
INSET Days - Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> July

*A list of 2021-22 Hampshire school dates, including half term holidays, Christmas and Easter, can be found on the school website as well as on the Hampshire website*