



# Preston Candover CE Primary School

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## Newsletter No. 15 – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Parents,

### **The Yeoman of the Guard opera project**

As mentioned in the last Newsletter, next week our Year 5/6 pupils will be taking part an interactive workshop here at the school to find out more about The Yeoman of the Guard led by a professional team.



### **Jubilee Stamp Competition**

Thank you to everyone who has submitted a design for the Jubilee Stamp Competition. There have been a real mixture of ideas, a lot surrounding the environment - how we need to look after it and what matters for the future, plus the Jubilee celebrations. The decision is going to be tough – results will be announced soon.

### **Puffins Celebration Assembly**

Parents from Puffins class have been invited to their Celebration of Assembly next Thursday morning. Please make sure you know which time slot you have been asked to attend and we hope you enjoy the class presentation on the “Great Fire of London”.

### **Kingfishers Trip to Ufton Court**

At the end of last term, Kingfishers Class spent a wonderful day at Ufton Court learning all about Egyptian times. Mrs Meier has put together a poster (attached) explaining what the children learnt during the visit.

### **Wrap Around Care Provider**

As you know, last term we were disappointed to lose our before and after-school wrap-around provision and since then, members of staff have stepped up to offer both a morning breakfast club and additional after school sports clubs. We are looking to take on a new provider, starting in September – final preparations are ongoing with this at the moment and you will appreciate we need to make sure they are fully committed to supporting us as a school and that the provision is high quality. We hope to have some good news for you shortly!

### **First Aid pupil training**

Next Tuesday, we will be having a visit from “Mini First Aid”. Children in years 3 – 6 will have a special workshop to teach basic first aid skills. The children will learn to deal with bumps, burns, breaks and bleeding, carry out CPR and deal with choking as part of their PSHE curriculum.

Love Hope Justice



## School Outdoor Learning Space



The school has invested in a new outdoor learning space and a beautiful “outdoor classroom” was installed in the back field during the half term holiday. A grand opening took place today with the School Council and myself cutting the ribbon. I am sure that the outdoor learning space will be well used and loved by our children for many years to come. The children are so excited to use it!

## Leavers Service - Winchester Cathedral

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June, our Year 6 children will be spending the day at Winchester Cathedral, along with other children from Church of England schools. They will be taking part in a workshop and be involved in a special leavers service. We hope they have a wonderful day.

## School Photographs

Today, we had Imago Photography visit the school to take photographs of the whole school, as well as class and sport group photos. The children were all exceptionally well behaved and the team from Imago have said “what lovely and well behaved children” we have here at Preston Candover. The children looked so smart and proud in their school uniform. Thank you for your support. Details of the photographs and how you can purchase them will be sent out shortly.

## PCSA Fundraising Raffle

Before the end of term, the PCSA will be holding a raffle and would like some contributions please. They already have a few items kindly given to them, but would appreciate it if you were able to see if you have anything at home, that could be contributed to the school. Please feel free to drop any items off at the school by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June – details of when the raffle will take place and how

to buy tickets, will be sent out shortly. We are hoping to build on our outdoor play equipment on the field with the funds raised.

## Absences & Sickness

We have started off the half term with a number of children experiencing stomach, sickness and flu like symptoms and this has also affected a number of our staff. Covid is also still with us and we currently have two teachers ill with chest infections. Therefore, some after school clubs might have to be cancelled or rearranged at short notice. We will of course keep you updated on the situation and thank you for your support with this. My huge thanks to our wonderful, caring team for really stepping up at such a busy time.

It is packed few weeks ahead but the most exciting and fulfilling half term of the year.

Best wishes

Mrs Simrit Otway  
Headteacher

## Dates for your Diary

14<sup>th</sup> June – Owls Trip to SeaCity  
16<sup>th</sup> June – Puffins Celebration of Learning  
17<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Service @ Winchester Cathedral  
20<sup>th</sup> June – Whole School Skipping Workshop  
21<sup>st</sup> June – Sports Day (info to follow)  
4<sup>th</sup> July – Wrens Trip to Marwell Zoo  
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*