



Preston Candover CE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Coronation

Last Friday, the children celebrated the Coronation of King Charles III and learnt more out more about the history and significance of Coronation across the school. The children also enjoyed a special Coronation lunch and our kitchen cooks made sure all the children had a celebratory meal fit for the occasion. The Victoria sponge pudding was scrumptious!



To mark the Coronation all primary schools have been sent wildflower seeds. We look forward to planting these in our school grounds.



The project was inspired by the King's love of nature and aims to encourage children to learn about and improve the biodiversity of school's green spaces.



A few years ago, we reviewed our school grounds in a landscape plan and made some important developments, including the running track, fire pit, the play area (timber trail). Last year we added the outdoor classroom. We would love to devote our energy to adding more sensory planting and quieter, reflective spaces like a spiritual garden for the pupils to enjoy. This is something we identified as a future project in our landscape plan.

Improving children's connection to nature and spending time outdoors helps to support their mental and physical wellbeing.

Please support the PCSA fundraising as we, like other schools, are finding that our school budget, is not adequate in supporting funding everything we would like to for the pupils. Our goods and supplier costs

Love Hope Justice



also have gone up significantly and this has not been matched by funding to schools.

Mental Health Awareness Week runs from 15 to 21 May 2023.

We all have mental health to look after. Please have a look at useful information and support about mental health.

<https://www.mind.org.uk/get-involved/mental-health-awareness-week/#mat>

End of year assessments

Well done to all of our children for working hard during the assessment period. We try to keep assessments as low key as possible, whilst supporting the children across the school to use strategies they have learnt and apply what they know. The summer term is a busy one as teachers will be moderating the pupils work, internally in school and externally.

Messages for teachers

Please may we ask that you write in your child's red home-school communication book or give them a note to hand to their teacher at **morning registration** time. For example, if there is a change of collection arrangement especially for the end of the same day.

The school office often receives about ten emails a day from parents for changes to the end of day collections. Sometimes this is very late in the afternoon for play date changes etc.

Understandably, teachers are focussed on teaching the children at this time and therefore not checking emails. It isn't always possible for the office staff to leave the phone line and other tasks to hand deliver messages around the school during lessons. Therefore, unless it is an absolute emergency, please use the communication books or send in a note for your child's teacher directly. Please also ensure that your child knows of any change of collection arrangement when they come to school. Your support with this will help to support a calmer and less busy afternoon and end of day.

Weather and reminders

Please make sure children come to school with an appropriate coat to wear outside, especially as the weather has been extremely wet lately. We also hope that the sun might make an appearance soon, so please make sure sun cream is added before your child comes to school. Many thanks for your support with this.



Please also make sure your child has a named water bottle with them every day – these should contain water, not squash or juice. Thank you.

School Lunches

HC3s remains dedicated to providing high-quality meals. However, despite their best efforts and negotiations with suppliers, food prices have increased. Therefore, from Monday 5th June, the cost of a school meal will increase by 20p to £3.00 per day.

School Photographer

On Monday 12th June, Imago Photography will be taking class photographs and one of the whole school. Please can you make sure children come to school dressed in smart school uniform and details of how to order photographs will be sent out in due course.

Building Learning Power (BLP) & Leader in Me (7 Habits) Awards

Joseph W	Marnie AS	Sophie W
Savanna C	Elliot G	Walter F
Daisy G	Beau G	Kirah PP
Alex M	Frankie G	Theodore P
Lila O	Elodie SB	Neave G
Sofia SS	James DW	Emma W
Max H	Sophie L	Gabriel R
Ronald B	Rocco B	Sophie R
Sabrina B	Charlotte C	Annie R



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.



Verity A	George A	Maddie CN
Octavia C	Joseph G	Daisy G
Cenk H	Kirah PP	Talia F
Milo LB	Lila O	Scarlett S
Jamie B		

Best wishes

Mrs Simrit Otway
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

w/c 5th June – Year 4 multiplication check

w/c 12th June – Year 1 phonics check

7th June – Kingfisher Class Trip to Intech

12th June – Whole School & Class Photographs

w/c 19th June – Sports Week

20th June – Sports Day (tbc)

30th June – Wrens Celebration of Learning

2022/2023 Inset Day

Friday 21st July 2023

A list of 2022-23 Hampshire school dates, including holidays can be found on the school website.