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Dear Parents and carers,

Robins Class - Roman Historic Workshop

This half- term, as part of their history learning, Robins took part in a wonderfully inspiring Roman workshop. Throughout the day, pupils in Year 3 and 4 participated in a wide range of different activities. They learnt about what changes the Romans brought about, worked as true historians using a whole range of artefacts to discover more about life in Roman Britain. Pupils also learnt how to play some of the games typically played by Romans. During the afternoon, pupils experienced first-hand what it may have been like in the Roman Army, training to go into battle. After learning about Pila throwing, the battle charge and various shield formations, the pupils put their skills to the test in a final Gladiator contest. It was a fantastic experience for all involved!





Year 5/6 Swimming Achievements



Our Year 5 & 6 Kingfisher Class have just completed their swimming course. Everyone involved managed to complete the course, with Jasmine and Cenk winning awards for their achievement. Well done everyone!

After School Clubs - Spring Term

Details of these will be sent out to you shortly. Next term, SoccerSports will continue to run our football and multi-skill clubs with Jenni, from SportsXtra who runs a very popular dance club. We are also putting together a timetable of our teacher-led clubs, which we hope everyone will want to join!

Children In Need

It was lovely to see all the children wearing a mixture of pudsey ears, spotty socks and bow ties to raise money for Children In Need. Thank you to everyone who kindly donated and I am glad to say that a grand total of £100.00 was raised from the

Love Hope Justice















School. Also our very talented kitchen cooks made Pudsey biscuits for everyone here at the School – thank you ladies!



PCSA

I am delighted to announce that our PCSA team are now up and running and details of those involved and what they do, have been sent out separately. Please make a note of the diary dates in their letter and if you have any questions or wish to get involved, please get in touch.

Our first "hot chocolate Friday" was a huge success, along with the sale of secondhand school uniform. There was also a competition to guess the amount of marbles in a jar! The winning number was 204 – Scarlett in Year 6 was the closest and not only won a free hot chocolate, but also a jar of hot chocolate to enjoy at home!

Primary Careers Fair

Many thanks to those carers/parents who have replied to our recent request for volunteers to join us in January for a Primary Careers Fair. If you are interested and can spare part of a morning of your time, please let the school office know.

KSI Nativity – 6th & 7th December

We look forward to welcoming our key stage one families to see this year's "Whoops A Daisy" Nativity. Tickets are currently available, so please make sure you get your request to the office as soon as possible.

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



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Holiday Activities and Food schemes over Christmas

Please see attached a letter about healthy food and enriching activities in the school holidays for children who receive income-based free school meals during term time. A small number of places are also available on HAF schemes for other vulnerable families.

The Snowman & Snow Dog Kindness Calendar

We have attached two kindness calendar activities for families to share over the next month from the British Red Cross. They can be used as class resources but we felt the activities on friendship and acts of kindness would be lovely for pupils to explore at home in the run up to Christmas.

Best wishes

Mrs Simrit Otway Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

25th November – Kingfisher Celebration of Learning

6th & 7th December – KS1 Nativity

8th December – Christmas Jumper Day

9th December – Whole School Christmas Lunch

13th December – KS2 Carol Service @ St Mary's Church

16th December – Last day of term. Bus and pupil collection at 12noon

5th & 6th January - Y6 Bikeability

2022/2023 Inset Days Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Friday 10th March 2023

Friday 21st July 2023

A list of 2022-23 Hampshire school dates, including half term holidays, Christmas and Easter, can be found on the school website













