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Dear Parents and carers,

It has been a busy January already. With the excitement of our visitors from Ofsted a week or so ago and several school events, 2023 has certainly been packed.

Fairtrade Tuck Shop

We are proud to be a Fairtrade Achiever school and champion awareness of Fairtrade and ethically produced products.



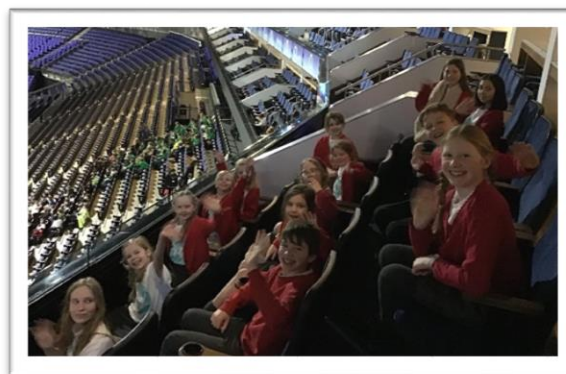
On Monday 30th January and Monday 27th February, our Fairtrade Reps will be helping to run a tuck shop during mid-morning break. Our kitchen will be making a variety of delicious snacks/cakes using Fairtrade ingredients, priced at 50p each – any monies raised will go towards Fairtrade products used in school.

Young Voices O2 Greenwich Concert

Young Voices is the largest school choir concert in the world. Last week some of our children took part in the Young Voices 2023 Concert at the O2, Greenwich, London. We were lucky to have been given two suites which gave us an amazing view of the Arena.



A special guest star, 'Heather Small' sang 'Proud' along with the children's choir. The choir and audience loved joining in the moves with the dancers and we were inspired by the extraordinary violinist, Anna Phoebe and the Beatbox Collective!



Weeks of practising back at school with Mrs Meier paid off. I was very proud of our pupils who were exceptionally well behaved. Thank you to Mrs Le Brocq who accompanied us on the trip at the very last minute along with Mrs Brown from the office team. It

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has been lovely to hear from parents telling us how much children and families enjoyed the outstanding event. It was a truly memorable experience.

The team from Blue Peter have informed us that anyone who took part in the Young Voices concerts this year, can apply for their own Blue Peter music badge! Make sure you apply using the link below and this will enable your child to gain free access into all Blue Peter attractions.

There will also be a Young Voices performance, which was televised at Birmingham Resorts World Arena, which is being shown on Friday 3rd February at 5pm on CBBC and iPlayer.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/bp-music-badge?collection=blue-peter-badges>

Robin Class Celebration of Learning

Thank you to the parents of Robins class who joined us on Friday 13th January for our Learning Exhibition. Pupils enjoyed sharing their learning about the Romans as well as photographs from the Roman Workshop which was enjoyed by all. It was also a great opportunity to meet Miss Minta who will be working in Robins class this term.

RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch 27 – 29 January

Big Garden Birdwatch is fun, free and for everyone and you don't need a garden to take part! Counting birds from your garden, field or local park will play a vital role in helping the RSPB understand how UK birds are doing. The link below will take you to the website, where there are lots of activities you can do with your child, as well as recipes to make for the birds in your garden.

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/>

World Book Day Thursday 2nd March

The theme for this World Book Day follows the message "You Are a Reader" and the children will be bringing home their World Book day voucher shortly. These can be used to exchange for one of the special £1 World Book Day books or can also be used to redeem £1 off a full price book. These are currently for sale in participating shops, with the vouchers being valid from the 16th February – 26th March 2023.



Thank you card from the King



The children in Kingfishers have been writing some thoughtful letters. His Majesty, King Charles III has responded with a card and note to express his thanks to the children.

Perins Year 5 Taster Day

Tuesday 27th June 2023: 9.45am – 2.30pm

Perins have informed us of a taster day they will be holding for our Year 5 children in June. There is a link for parents to register, which is currently now live. Please make sure you make a note of the date and let us know, if your child will be attending so we can mark their attendance records accordingly.

<https://www.perins.net/taster-days/>

Baby News

Huge congratulations to Lauren (Our cook) and her partner Tom, who have welcomed a baby girl, Willow to their family. Mum and baby are doing very well and thank you for coming in and seeing us all.



We look forward to seeing you at the parent consultations in February.

Best wishes

Mrs Simrit Otway
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

27th January – Holocaust Memorial Day

7th and 8th February- Parent consultations

1st February – Kingfisher Class Trip to Intech

13th-17th February – Half Term

27th Feb – 10th March – Fair Trade Fortnight

2nd March – World Book Day

2022/2023 Inset Days

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