



Preston Candover CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and carers,

Breakfast Club

We are excited to announce that we will be running a breakfast club, starting after half term. This will be a small group initially and will be run by Miss Laws, who is our school cook. If you would like your child to be considered for a place, please complete and return the booking form which was sent out this week.



Winchester Beacon

A huge thank you for the generous contributions that you and your children have donated for our chosen charity, the Winchester Beacon (Night Shelter). The items have been delivered to them and they asked that we send on their thanks to you all.



KS1 Zoolab Visit

Doves and Sparrows class have been learning to identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals in their science curriculum.

They have also been identifying and naming a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. This was brought to life through a visit from Zoolab. In an interactive workshop, the children met a variety of animals and use their knowledge about them to identify whether they were a mammal, reptile or amphibian. The children were able to confidently identify the range of animals and we discovered that the snake and tarantula were both carnivores, whereas the cockroach was an omnivore. The children were able to touch the animals if they wished and many were surprised at how the snake was not at all slimy like they had thought it would be!



Love Hope Justice

Rugby Festival at Perins

On Thursday, we took our Year 5 and 6 children to Perins to take part in a tag rugby festival in celebration of England hosting the Rugby World Cup. Ropley School also took part in this and throughout the afternoon the children were coached in rugby skills by Perins Year 10 sports coaches. The children from both schools were placed in mixed teams and so got to meet new people and make new friends. Their rugby skills were then put into practice with the teams playing a round robin of mini tag rugby games. As the children played more games it was great to see their rugby skills develop and progress whilst having a lot of fun.



Parent Evenings

It was good to see you all at the parent evenings. We had near 100% attendance, which was excellent. I hope you found the dialogue with your child's teacher beneficial and that you enjoyed hearing about how your child is getting on at school. The next consultation evenings will take place in the Spring Term.

Farewell to Mr Larkins

At the end of September, we said farewell to our Site Manager, Michael Larkins, who has been a valued member of our staff team for nearly ten years. Thank you everyone who kindly donated towards a gift voucher and for the kind words, cards and gifts for Michael. The school presented him with some handmade cards and a "blue plaque",



which he was extremely thrilled with. Michael always went above and beyond for the school and we wish him the very best in his retirement.



School Uniform - Reminder

It is important that additional accessories such as jewellery, colourful hair bands, nail varnish/make up and fake tattoos are **not** worn to school. Watches are allowed as are small studded earrings, but the latter should not be worn on PE days. Shoulder length and long hair should be tied back. Wearable technology such as smart watches, recording devices, phones and cameras are not to be brought into school

Leader In Me (7 Habits) Leadership Awards

Clemmie C	Eloise P	Leo N
Eloise T	Jack W	Walter F



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.



Fergus Ro	Thalia J	Gabriel P
Apryl W	Kirah PP	

With best wishes

Mrs Simrit Otway
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

23rd – 27th October – Half term

Tuesday 7th Nov – Open Morning for prospective parents

17th Nov – Children in Need – “Great Spotacular”

29th Nov – Whole School Flu Vaccinations

7th Dec – Nativity (Early Years & Year 1)

8th Dec – School Christmas Lunch/Christmas

Jumper Day

12th Dec – Carol Service

15th Dec – End of term

2023/2024 Inset Days

Friday 1st September 2023

Friday 20th October 2023

Tuesday 2 January 2023

A list of 2023-24 Hampshire school dates, including holidays can be found on the school website.