



**Headteacher**  
**Miss K Greenway**

16<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Dear Parents

Where has the last two weeks gone? I hope you all had a lovely half term and for once the weather was kind to us. It has been quite tough this week with the heat but the children have managed really well – staff have found it harder!! Thank you for helping by remembering hats and water bottles but sadly some children are still not bringing these to school every day when it is so hot. If you are struggling to get these for your children, please speak to the class teacher and we will see if we can find some spare ones.

### Staffing

Further to my last newsletter, sadly, there are several more staff leaving at the end of this term. Mrs Bowes (Snowdrops), Mrs Cole (Bluebells), Mrs Patterson (Tulips) and Mrs Mogg (Snowdrops). We will be sad to see them go but they have given many years of support to so many children at Parsonage Farm.

To say thank you to them all, we will be having a Tea Party on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July from 3.30 – 5.30pm in Cherry Blossom Hall. Everyone is welcome (children and adults) – please come along and say thank you/good bye. Please pass this date on to families you know who used to come to Parsonage Farm.

With all the changes of staff, we will tell you which adults are in which class (I have already sent out where the teachers will be) on Move up day, Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July. After your child has visited their new class that morning, they will come home with a picture sheet of the adults who will be in their new class.

### Message from FOPS

#### **Doughnuts for dads - collection Friday 16th June from 2:45pm**

Please remember to pick up your doughnut orders from outside Cherry Blossom Hall on Friday afternoon.

We will have a small number of single doughnuts available to purchase for £1 each in the day if you would like to buy one.

### **Colour Run**

Thank you to everyone who has ordered tickets - due to popular demand, we have released a final 20 tickets for each wave - buy online at [www.pta-events.co.uk/fops1](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fops1)

Please don't forget our Mufti day on 23rd June, when we will be asking for donations of bottles of wine or 'jolly jars' to use on our games stalls!

We will also be asking for cake donations on Friday 30th June, if you are able to help us with either some delicious home baking or shop bought cakes.

Finally, if you are coming along and can spare some time to help us run a stall, that would be greatly appreciated! Our events simply don't happen without help from parents - every little helps!

Take a look at our available slots at <https://volunteersignup.org/AH3AA>

#### Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to the 44 parents that have taken the time to complete the parent questionnaire. We really appreciate this. Sadly, this is only just over 20% of the total number of parents. How do we get a true picture of what everyone thinks if 75% of parents don't tell us? We know you can do this because when Ofsted came in May they were impressed with how many parents filled in their questionnaire. So no pressure but please could you try and find 5 minutes to complete the questionnaire before 20<sup>th</sup> June using the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=D39aDZFalkKs27w8KDQn-bWRtmxScEFPrB2SnYf1kHNURVY3NIQxVVhPUFhYUUE2MTBWSjFTUDY2Vy4u>

The Governors will be looking at the responses at their next meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you for your help with this.

#### Sports Day                      Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July                      9am – 12pm

This is for all classes including Daisies. The morning will consist of a carousel of activities on the playground and field that each class will move around – parents can watch the children doing these and encourage them. This is followed by races on the field where again, parents can watch and cheer all the children on. The gates to the playground will be locked during the carousel activities and then again when the races start (there will be a little break in between) – this is so that the children are all safe. At the end of the morning, we will take the children inside to get ready for lunch and parents can go home.

If your child is in Daisies and they do not normally attend on a Friday, they are welcome to come and join Sports Day, as long as a parent stays too. Please speak to Miss Petty about this.

We look forward to seeing lots of you and hope the weather is kind to us. Any questions, please just ask.

#### Book Viewing                      Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June between 9 – 9.30am or 2.40 – 3.15pm (Year R, 1 and 2)

This is an opportunity for you to look at your child's learning journey or books. You can sit quietly in the hall with your child and they can show you all their learning. It is an opportunity to celebrate everything they have done during the year. The children really love doing this so please try and come along.

During the week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> June, Miss Petty will put the Daisies floor book in the outside area at the beginning and the end of each day for you to look at with your child.

#### Team Wilder

Mrs Whittaker was in school yesterday and during lunchtime children joined in watering the plants in the Bat Banquet (raised bed at end of the field) and weeding the Royal Bed. She said "The children who came to weed are so amazing now, they just get on with it, and once I'd explained which area needed weeding!" Please see a few photos on the school website (photo gallery).

### Friendship Area

Thank you for the emails following the School Council letters that were sent out last week. There have been several offers of help and ideas for resources. Please keep these coming and we will collate all of them and then plan where and when to start and contact you for your help.

### Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a Parent Governor vacancy and I sent another letter this week with more information. The closing date for applications is Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June. If you would like more information, please contact myself or James Hawkins ([chair.governors@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk](mailto:chair.governors@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk)). If you would like an application form, please contact the school office. Thank you.

### Ready for School Workshop

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June

On Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 1.00pm there is a free face to face workshop for parents and carers of children starting school in September 2023 or 2024. The workshop will take place in Cherry Blossom Hall. The workshop is being run by our local NHS Team and Barnardo's and will provide lots of useful ideas and guidance on how to support your child as they start school in September. If you are not able to make this date and would like to send a grandparent or other family member in your place, please do.

If you would like to attend, please sign up on the form below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/GMTfnjFbyz>

### Reminders

- We had a near miss with the main sliding front doors – please can you make sure that the children, especially younger siblings, DO NOT put their hands on the glass of the door as when it is opened, they could get trapped as the door slides.
- Please can I remind all grown-ups that drop off and pick up NOT to walk through the middle of the Staff Car Park – please use the pedestrian path.

As always, if there is something on the newsletter that isn't clear to you or you don't understand, please just ask – either myself, at the office or your child's teacher.

Have a great weekend – and keep cool!!

Miss Greenway

### **Dates for Diaries**

Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> June	2.45pm Krispie Kreme donuts for Dads
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 1 Assembly – Yr 1 parents to come and watch
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Yr 2 Trip to Beale Wildlife Park and Gardens
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Mufti day – wear own clothes for a donation to FOPs – see above.
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> June	1pm Ready for School workshop
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr R Trip to Birdworld
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> June	9-9.30am/2.40 – 3.15pm Book Viewing
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	11am – 3pm FOPS Colour Run & Summer Fair

**Fri 7<sup>th</sup> July**

**INSET DAY (SCL running if enough children)**

Fri 14<sup>th</sup> July

am Sports Day

2.20pm Rock Steady Concert

Tues 18<sup>th</sup> July

2.30pm Golden Rabbit Assembly?

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> July

am Yr 2 Leavers Assembly

pm Yr 2 Leavers Disco

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> July

1.15pm School Finishes

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Sept**

**INSET DAY (SCL NOT running)**

**Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct**

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