Parsonage Farm Nursery and Infant School, Cherry Tree Close, Cove, FARNBOROUGH, Hants GU14 9TT



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**Dear Parents** 

Happy Easter everyone!! I can't believe that we have reached the end of the Spring term and are two thirds of the way through the school year. As usual, your children have been very busy and have been working really hard. We are so proud of them. Don't forget to look at the school website/Photo gallery – for pictures of some of the things that have happened this term. We are trying hard to keep this updated.

Please try and keep reading with your child over the Easter break as often as possible – it really does help. Also, take part in our Extreme Reading challenge – see below for more details.

# <u>Go Draw</u>

Please see below a photo of the pen portraits that your children did a few weeks ago as part of the Go Draw project. These are up on the hoardings, opposite the entrance to Farnborough Library. Why not go and have a look during the Easter holidays.

There are also some pictures of Go Draw booklets on the school website/News and Events/Photo Gallery.



### Rocksteady Concert

It was lovely to see lots of you at the Rocksteady concert last Friday afternoon. The children always impress me and they just love playing and performing. I hope you enjoyed listening as much as the children enjoyed performing.

# FOPS

A huge thank you to all the members of FOPs who help organise events for your children and to help raise money for the school. They do a fantastic job. They also provided the chocolate eggs for the Easter Egg hunt that the children have done this week at school.

Thank you for supporting the Mother's Day shop – this raised over £550 which is amazing. Your child will have come home with a tube of smarties (which they can eat!) and you will have also received an email asking you to keep the tube and fill it with coins – but the children need to do little jobs to help and earn some coins to put in their tube. Please then bring the tube back after Easter.

The next event is a 'parent to parent' table top sale – this will now be on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 10am until 1pm. If you are having a spring clear out, why not book a stall and sell your unwanted toys, clothes, baby items etc to other parents locally?

### Extreme Reading Challenge

A little bit of reading fun for the Easter holidays – we'd love your child to take part in our Extreme Reading Challenge. Take a photo of your child reading in an unusual place, or maybe reading to an unusual audience. Maybe they're reading their book on the top of a mountain or on a rowing boat, or even reading to some llamas! What weird and wonderful places can they think of? Children can hand in their photo to their class teacher at the start of next term, or it can be emailed to their year group email address (e.g. <u>year1@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk</u>). Please see the leaflet attached to this email for more information. Everyone who submits a picture will get a certificate and there'll even be a couple of prizes. And remember to continue to enjoy reading to and with your child over the holidays. Not only is it really important for their development, it is also such a precious thing to share together.

Please see attached flier for more information

### Nursery Places

### September 2024

If your child was born between September 2020 and August 2021, they could start in Daisies in September 2024. We still have a few places available so please ask for an application form in the school office. If you have friends who have children of this age, please let them know too.

### CM Sports

Following my last newsletter, thank you to those parents who completed the link below to help decide whether to run a gymnastics or athletics club after May half term. Gymnastics was more popular so look out for the flier after Easter if you would like to sign your child up for this – Yr R, Yr 1 or Yr2.

### School Dinners

Please be aware that there is a new menu after Easter. There are still lots of favourites but there are some new additions!!

This week the school council had a taste test of some of the new items. Their favourite was the cheese and onion pasty with one councillor saying "the pastry tasted amazing!" They also enjoyed trying the new puddings, some surprising themselves by liking the banana cake as much as the chocolate brownie!

Please look on our school website for the latest menu. <u>Parsonage Farm Nursery and Infant School</u> - <u>School Dinners (parsonagefarmschool.co.uk)</u>

### <u>First Aid</u>

Local charity RHL is running accredited **Emergency First Aid at Work** and **Basic Life Support** courses. A couple of their upcoming courses are split over two mornings to cater for working parents needing to do school drop-offs/pick-ups! Further details can be found at <u>www.rhl.org.uk</u>

### Easter Holidays

- Free emotional health resources please see attached flier. This is for all families and children of all ages
- Eat out for less



### <u>Requests</u>

• Tip run – thank you to the parent who has taken some things. There are still some old pallets to go to the tip. If you can help, please speak to Mrs Attwood or Mrs Parkhouse

#### Reminders

- Over the Easter holidays, please can you give your child's water bottle a good clean. Some of them have needed cleaning around the top part
- There have been some near misses near the red gate/path through to the estate. Please can you make sure that your children walk with you through the gate (from Key Stage 1 classes) and do not run on ahead so that they do not crash into parents and buggies coming from the other side of the school
- Fortnite this is for children age 13+. This week several children have talked about this. It seems that they are not playing it but watching older siblings playing it. This is still not acceptable as the content is not appropriate for our children.

Enjoy the Easter break – let's hope the weather is kind to us and we can get out and about. In this newsletter, there are various things to keep you busy – jobs to earn coins to fill your smartie tube, extreme reading challenge and visiting the hoardings near Farnborough library to see the children's art work!!

Keep safe and have a fun, family time.

Take care. Miss Greenway

| <b>Dates for Diaries</b>                                   | 2.30pm Golden Rabbit Assembly                               |
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| Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> March                               | Last day of term  |
| Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April | Easter Holidays – SCL holiday club running (wearescl.co.uk) |
| <b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>                           | INSET DAY (SCL running)                                     |
| Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> May                                   | FOPS Parent to Parent Table Top sale                        |
| Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> July                                   | INSET DAY (SCL running)                                     |