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Newsletter 5 - March 23

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a lovely start to this half term. The mornings and evenings are lighter too. There was a Felpham and Bognor locality Football Tournament on Saturday and I would like to congratulate our team for playing so well. Also Y5 representatives played well at Quicksticks Hockey last week.

Photos: WORLD BOOK DAY WAS ENJOYED BY US ALL



CHICKENS - Is anybody interested in feeding the chickens? If you would like to come and feed the chickens at the weekends please pop into the office, put your name down and ask for a sheet with details on how to look after the chickens; you may even get some freshly laid eggs to have for your breakfast. This also gives you the chance to use the school field for picnics etc.. in the nice weather.

STAFF - We are pleased to have Mrs Holdstock returning to year 4. The children and staff are delighted to have her back.

PARKING - Parking continues to be an issue near the school, please be aware Arun are patrolling and will be issuing tickets: Regulation 9 ticket will be issued directly and Regulation 10 will be tickets in the post.

SCHOOL LUNCHES - PARENTPAY - PARENTS WILL ORDER LUNCHES FOR THEIR CHILDREN - As you will be aware, Parentpay will be coming into action in April and you will need to order your children's school meals directly onto ParentPay, this will give you a chance to look at what food is on offer and to order exactly what your child would like to eat. An activation letter will be coming your way soon.

DOGS - Please if you bring your dog, onsite please make sure you come into the office and complete an up to date form and bring with you up to date immunisations and insurance policies.

FSM APPLICATIONS - If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals come into the office enquire or apply online to see if you can get the additional help. If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, you may also be eligible to receive additional benefits such as food vouchers, hampers, holiday camp placements and a free cardigan or sweatshirt every year.

EMAILS AND PHONE NUMBERS - Please make sure your email addresses and phone numbers are correct at the school as a lot of our important communication is sent by email and text, if you need to update with us your phone number, email or your address etc ... pop into the office to complete the relevant form.

SCHOOL UNIFORM (from our prospectus) - **one or two children are not wearing the correct uniform**
We believe school uniform encourages a sense of identity and pride. There is also a link between wearing a uniform and pupil attitude. For these reasons it is expected that all parents support the tradition that all children wear the Bersted Green school uniform which is:

- Grey/black trousers or skirt. (Trousers can be long or short).
- White polo shirt, bottle green school polo shirt, white school shirt or white blouse (Shirts/blouses can be long or short sleeved).
- Bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo (available from the school office) or bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan (available from supermarkets).
- White/grey/black socks or plain white/grey/black tights.
- A sensible pair of **black school shoes** are required for all pupils. (No trainers or boots, as these are not good for children's feet).

PE Kit need to be worn too - football kits should be saved for home -

- A school light blue T-shirt or white T-shirt (no football or fashion logos).
- Black or dark shorts.
- P.E. Tracksuits may be worn in cold weather for outdoor games.
- Plimsolls or trainers are required.

Please ensure that P.E. Kits are in school each day to minimize disruption to lessons and to avoid children becoming upset. Children are active daily and do at least 2 hours PE each week.

ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM AND P.E. KIT MUST BE NAMED.

Governors: If you know a local business person or someone who may bring financial or marketing skills to our governing body or has a real interest in school governance in this community might you ask them to contact the school as we have a vacancy. A DBS would need to be applied for.

Little Acorns Committee - if you have a child in Little Acorns or a child soon to start Little Acorns there is a vacancy for a current parent on the Committee. You would need to complete an Ofsted DBS and suitability.

Dates:

Thursday 9th March 2023	YR	Goodwood Farm (topic)
Thursday 16th March 2023	Y2/3	Weald and Downland open air museum (topic)
Friday 17th March 2023	All	Red Nose Day - wear a red nose or something red for a donation
Tuesday 21st March 2023	All	World Poetry day
Friday 31st March 2023	All	Last day of Spring term
Monday and Tuesday 3rd/4th April 2023		Holiday activities
Monday 17th April 2023	All	Inset Day (number 4) - school closed
Tuesday 18th April 2023	All	First day of Summer Term for children
Friday 5th May 2023	All	Cream tea for the Coronation
Monday 8th May 2023	All	Bank Holiday following coronation
Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023	All	May half term
Summer Term swimming		As swimming locally remains a challenge we hope to hire a pool on site and recruit a swimming teacher to meet our curriculum requirements
Friday 9th June 2023	Y3	Chichester Harbour Day
Friday 16th June 2023	All years	Sussex Day activities
Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th July 2023	Y6	Residential
Thursday 20th July 2023	All	Last day of Summer Term for children
Friday 21st July 2023	All	Inset day for staff (number 5)
September 2024		Bersted Green is 10 years old

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