

Newsletter

Term: SPRING 2015

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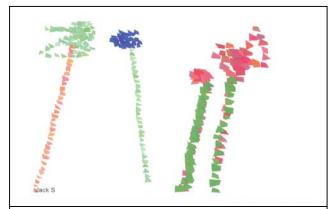
Dear Parents, Carers and Children

The end of another term at North Downs - and two weeks of (hopefully) lovely spring weather to enjoy during the Easter break. Have a super holiday and we'll see you back on Monday 13th April.

Reminder:

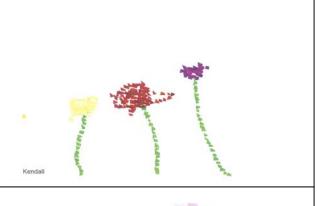
It has come to our attention that there have been recent incidents of pupils, their siblings (and earlier this week, a parent!) riding bikes and scooters within school grounds before and after school.

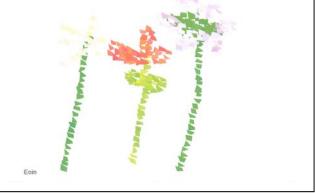
We take this opportunity to remind you that no-one - adult or child - is permitted to ride a wheeled vehicle within the school grounds on any of our village sites before or after school.



Spring has sprung in Caterpillars. We have been enjoying the warmer weather. We have planted bulbs and kept a weekly diary of photographs of all the changes spring brings. We were inspired to paint some picture of spring flowers using the tools in our 2paint program. We hope you enjoy Jack, Kendall & Eoin's pictures.







FONDS Easter Bonnet Parade was a resounding success - and choosing just one winner from each class proved a very difficult task! Well done to all participants, for the very great effort you put into making your bonnets so lovely and springlike....and congratulations to all our class winners. Enjoy this photograph of the Brockham site winners and their prizes.

Other News

Denbies Easter Activities: we attach a flyer (right) of the many activities being hosted by Denbies this Easter for your information.

Betchworth & Buckland Family Activities: Mega Easter Egg Hunt on Tues 31st March 3pm on Reigate Heath (meet at the car park). £2.00 per child. Louise Gibson to pre-book 07825 260091. **Easter Games & Crafts** on Thurs 9th April 3pm to 4.30pm at Betchworth Village Hall. £3.50 for the first child + £2.50 per sibling includes refreshments. Catriona Martin 07710 498591 to pre-book.

Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.

Easter Netball Holiday Camp: ages 7 to 13, run by Skills 'n' Sport at Reigate Grammar School on 7th & 8th April 9.30am - 4pm. To book or for more info visit <u>www.skillsnsport.com</u>

Easter Development Football Course: run by Nick Torpey - Just Soccer for 6-14 years on 31st March & 1st April 10am-3pm or 7th & 8th April 10am-3pm, on the Big Field, Brockham. Costs £25 for one day & £45 for two days. For more details see <u>www.nicktorpeyjustsoccer.com</u>.

Friends' Matters

Quiz Night was a huge success with over £500 being raised - very well done to all the teams, and especially The Venetian Road Sweepers (right) who quizzed to victory on the night!

Our next fundraiser is the Sponsored Bounce: each child will have one minute on the bouncy castle to see how many bounces they can manage. Lastly how wonderful your children all looked in their Easter Bonnets well done to everyone who took part; we hope everyone enjoys their eggs - both those won and those found in today's Easter Egg Hunt.





Reminders / Dates

Always remember to check the updated Diary Dates on the following page

(Note: dates in italics have been added or changed this week)

Embroidered initials: a reminder that we have made arrangements with Seymour Sports/Intersport in Dorking High Street for children's fleeces to be embroidered with their initials for a small charge of £3.00. The embroidery can be done on the inside/fleece side or outside/waterproof side as you prefer.

To take advantage of this offer, take your child's school coat/fleece into the shop by Wed 1st April and it will be ready for collection by the end of the following week.

Children in Need: it was a few months ago now, but Children in Need has sent us a thank you poster for the £411.90 that North Downs raised on their behalf. Well done!

KS2 Dinner Money Payment: for the next half term (13th April - 22nd May) will be £60.90 (which includes the deduction for the May Bank Holiday) for Years 3, 4 & 6 - Year 5 will be £58.80 (including a deduction for their day out on 20th May). As always, payment is due in advance. Please pay via your Tucasi account (or if paying by cheque, make payable to Surrey County Council).



Yours sincerely

Finally

Happy Easter





Summer Term 2015

Monday 13 th April	First day of term
Wednesday April 15 th	FONDS Sponsored Bounce Brockham
Thursday April 16 th	FONDS Sponsored Bounce Leigh
Friday April 17 th	FONDS Sponsored Bounce Betchworth
w/c 20 th April	Swimming begins
Monday April 20 th	Dorking Halls Music Festival
Friday April 24 th	Ladybirds Assembly 9.15am
Week of April 27 th	NDPS clubs begin
Monday May 4 th	MAY BANK HOLIDAY: school closed
Tuesday May 5 th	Pedals Training Yr2 Leigh
Wednesday May 6 th	Pedals Training Yr2 Brockham
Friday May 8 th	Butterflies Assembly 9.15am
Week of May 11 th	KS2 SATs
Friday May 15 th	3MB Assembly 9.15am
Wednesday 20 th May	Year 5 - Hampton Court visit
Friday May 22 nd	Maypole - all pupils at Brockham + whole school photograph (pupils in
	uniform)
w/c June 1 st	Yr 6 Bikeability - a.m. (all week)
w/c June 8 th	Yr 6 at Windmill Hill (PGL)
Friday June 19 th	3M Assembly 9.15am
Tuesday June 23 rd	EYFS / KS1 Sports Day - all at Brockham all day
Wednesday June 24 th	New Reception Parents' Meeting - 7pm
Thursday June 25 th	KS2 Sports Day
Friday June 26 th	5MS Assembly 9.15am
Tuesday June 30 th	Induction Day for all pupils (incl. transferring to new schools)
Friday July 3 rd	Dragonflies Assembly 9.15am
Fluay July 5	Dorking Halls Music Concert
Week of July 6 th	Last week of NDPS clubs
Thursday 9 th July	Year 2 - visit to Brooklands
Friday July 10 th	Ladybirds Assembly 9.15am
	School reports to go home
Week of July 13 th	Last week of swimming
Tuesday July 14 th	Betchworth Gold Stars 9.15am
Wednesday July 15 th	Parents Consultation (plus children)
	Leigh / Betchworth 3.30 - 6pm.
	Brockham 5 - 7.30pm
Thursday July 16 th	Parents Consultation (plus children)
	Leigh / Betchworth 5 - 7.30pm
	Brockham 3.30 - 6pm
Thursday July 16 th	Leigh Gold Stars 9.15am
Friday July 17 th	Brockham Gold Stars 9.15am
Friday July 17 th	Yr6 Leavers' celebration and BBQ 5pm
Monday July 20 th	INSET: school closed
Tuesday July 21 st	INSET: school closed

Term and Holiday Dates 2014/2015

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