

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

Well, unbelievably we find ourselves sending home the last Newsletter of this school year. Although everyone looks forward to the summer break, it is always bitter sweet as it means we have to say farewell to our lovely Year 6 pupils. They returned from their incredibly successful residential trip last week and have since been busy, preparing for their Leavers Assembly on 20th July. At the end of term, we will also be saying farewell to several members of staff: Mr Wade, Mrs Cummins, Mr Skinner, Mrs Cox and Miss Winslade. In addition, Mrs Shakeshaft and Mrs Morris will be leaving us too. I know we are going to miss them all dreadfully.

Last week some pupils from Year 4 went to Nower Wood to deliver a presentation explaining their work at the school (and their efforts to encourage 'Action for Nature' at home). North Downs was awarded third prize and received £75 in recognition of their efforts through the Wilder Schools Project. The area on the eco-field which the Year 4 children have 're-wilded' has looked spectacular and encourage so much more wildlife...great job Year 4!



As we approach the end of term, we always look back and reflect on how busy the year has been but I think this feels even more the case this year. I am sure I will see you over the coming few days but I do just want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your ongoing support of the school. I would also like to particularly thank FONDS for all of their efforts on behalf of the school - especially for FONDSFest - what a huge success! Thank you.

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 19th July - Year 6 Leavers Disco

Thursday 20th July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Thurs 20th July - Children break up - Infants at 1.00pm and Juniors at 1.15pm

Friday 21st July - INSET Day

Tuesday 5th September - Children return to school

Monday 11th September - 3.15 pm Year 4 Meet the Teacher

Tuesday 12th September - 3.00pm Year 2 Meet the Teacher

Wednesday 13th September - 3.00pm Year 1 Meet the Teacher

Thursday 14th September - 3.15pm Year 3 Meet the Teacher

Friday 15th September - 3.15pm Year 6 Meet the Teacher

Monday 18th September - 3.15pm Year 5 Meet the Teacher

INSET Days for 2023-24 will be on:

Friday 1st September Monday 4th September Friday 24th May Monday 22nd July Tuesday 23rd July

Sports Report for 2022-23

North Downs have had another amazing year of achievements in a wide variety of sporting competitions. Our final three competitions of 2022-23 took place in the last 2 weeks.



The year 5 and 6 outdoor athletics team took part in an exciting and fun evening held at Pixham Athletics Club on July 10th. With some outstanding performances from our team. They finished 2ND overall, 2nd in the boys' track and throwing and third in the jumping. Despite dropping the baton in one of the 4 relays the team finished 1st in the relay cup. Well done everyone!!!

This completed another fantastic year of sport for North Downs Primary School!

On Wednesday 5th July, our year 5 boy's cricket team took part in the County Finals at Sunbury cricket club. After winning the two games in their group (64-60 v Thames Ditton and 64 -52 v St Martins from Epsom) they went on to play in the last 6 for the Cup competition. They lost their first game to Latchmere 85-65 and won their 2nd game against Waverly 76-55, to finish 3rd overall.



SPORTS RESULTS 2022-23

Year 6 Boys Football 2nd
 Year 5 Boys Football 1st
 Year 5/6 Girl's Football 5th
 Year 3/4 Gymnastics 2nd
 Erin 3rd in Individual
 Year 5/6 Gymnastics 1st
 Daisy 3rd in Individual
 Year 5/6 Hockey 1st
 Year 5/6 Rugby 1st
 Year 3/4 Cross Country 2nd
 Year 5/6 Cross Country 2nd overall Cross Country 3rd
 Individual Cross Country - Year 3/4 boys Cassius 3rd Year 5/6 boys Ollie 1st and Thomas 3rd
 Year 5 Netball 6th
 Year 6 Netball 3rd
 Year 4 Golf 1st
 Year 3/4 Tennis 1st
 Year 5/6 Boys Cricket 1st
 Year 5/6 Girls Cricket 4th
 Year 4 Rounder's 1st
 Year 5/6 Rounder's 2nd
 Year 5/6 Pixham Athletics 1st relay, 2nd Throwing and Boys Track (1 point behind the winners in each), 2nd Jumping and 2nd overall
 Year 5/6 Sports Hall 1st in District and 9th in County Final
 Year 5 Boys Cricket County Finals - 3rd in Cup
 Year 6 Boys Cricket County Finals - 2nd in Plate

Well done to all the many children who have taken part!



Summer is here and it's
OPEN DAY
Saturday 15th July 12 - 4pm

Tennis, squash and racquet ball sessions for all ages
Fastest serve competition
Meet the coaches
Strawberries & Cream
Clubhouse bar with Pimms & BBQ
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Breakfast & Moles After School Clubs

PLEASE NOTE

Breakfast Club will run all the way until
the end of term, Thursday 20th July.
Moles After School Club will have its last
session on Wednesday 19th July.

SEPTEMBER 2023

Please note that both clubs will begin on
Monday 11th September 2023...the
Monday of the first full week back.

The Moles & Breakfast Club Teams

LEIGH & DISTRICT COTTAGE GARDEN SOCIETY

FLOWER SHOW & COUNTRY FAYRE

Saturday 22nd July

Leigh Recreation Ground - RH2 8NP

Recreation Ground open from 12 noon

Teas, Bar & Burgers, Frozen Yoghurt, Caribbean Street Food

Morris Dancing, Jazz Band, Rock Choir

Children's Entertainment, Puppet Show, Round-a-bout,

Animal Corner, Classic Vehicles, Craft & Food Stalls, Ice Cream

A Traditional Flower Show

Open to all : Show Marquee opens at 1.00pm

FUN DOG SHOW

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Wishing you all an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

JL Douglas