



Newsletter 15 – Friday 19th April 2024

Welcome to our newsletter and welcome back! We hope that you had a wonderful Easter break



Easter Bonnet Celebrations



Easter may be over but we are still enjoying the memories made at the Easter Bonnet Parade! The morning was a huge success and big thanks go to Carrie from the PTA for organising the event and to all the children and parents who went to a lot of effort to create such an amazing array of creative bonnets! Thank you also to Vision for Education for making an appearance dressed as the Easter Bunny! It was really wonderful to see the children having such fun parading round in the sunshine; Mrs Smith couldn't have asked for a better celebratory send off!



STARS of the Newsletter

Just before Easter, 6 children from our academy represented Mid Sussex in the Sussex Primary Schools Cross Country competition. Just to get to this stage the children had come through two qualifying rounds and did an incredible job in tough conditions. Despite the mud, they all managed a smile at the end. What incredible athletes!



Performance Poetry Success!

Well done to Year 5 pupils Hunter O'Hare, Matilda Edwards, Jake Traynor-Webster, Eleanor Thornton, Tess Greenwood and Freya Gossage who took part in a locality Performance Poetry Competition with local schools Northlands Wood, Bolnore Village and Warden Park Primary Academy. The children learnt their poem off by heart and confidently performed it to judges from across the schools. They were judged on their fluency, intonation, actions, enthusiasm and synchronisation. They performed particularly high in the enthusiasm category and were overall winners! Congratulations - what wonderful poets you are!



Staff News

If you have popped into the academy office this term, you may have already seen a new smiley and welcoming face. Mrs Claudia Hughes has joined Lindfield as one of our Administrators in the main office alongside Mrs Charrington. We are sure you will offer her a warm welcome to our school.

Pop-In to Phonics!



Thank you to those who were able to attend our 'Year 1 Phonics Pop' In session. These sessions are invaluable in supporting our children with their phonics progress. We hope you enjoyed seeing how we teach the children to recognise the sounds, blend and segment words. The children really enjoyed you coming into their classrooms and felt proud of their phonological knowledge! If you were unable to attend the session, please don't worry because there are more upcoming dates.

Meet our new 'thera-pigs'!

After the success of having Buddy the Therapy Dog



visit us last term, Mrs Batchelor delighted the children with news of our new three academy guinea pigs! Bish, Bash and Bosh will be joining us soon and can't wait to meet the children!



PTA News

We hope you have all had a wonderful Easter break and enjoyed reading all about what we have been getting up to in our newsletter which went out this week.

May Fair:

The school May Fair is on Saturday 18th May 12 - 4pm, we look forward to seeing you all there! We are currently gathering prizes for our popular raffle. If you or your company would like to donate a prize, or if you know a business that would, please could you contact Kirsty at lindfield.pta@gmail.com

Upcoming events:

Comedy Night - 11th May
May Fair - 18th May
Colour Run - 24th May
Village Day - 1st June
PTA Golf Day - 8th June

Comic Relief

Back in March, Lindfield Primary Academy supported Comic Relief with a non-uniform day wearing red. We are delighted to announce we raised £540.40! Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to this hugely valuable and worthy cause.



Considerate Driving and Parking

We are upset to announce there was another 'near miss' this week due to unsafe driving and parking, this time in the common car park. Please please please help us to keep our community safe on their journey to and from school. We continue to liaise with local authorities to try and improve the situation, but we need our families to help us by adhering to basic considerate and careful driving and parking around the site.

Spotlight on Safeguarding

There has been a change to the Safeguarding Team at Lindfield Primary Academy. The new Designated Safeguarding Lead / Vice Principal is Nick Geddie.

If you have any concerns about a child you can contact the Safeguarding Team through the academy office. It is also possible for you to ask for advice or make a referral to the West Sussex Integrated Front Door (IFD) service directly by contacting 01403 229900



Year 3 Swimming with Success

Well done to our Year 3 super swimmers who had their first sessions this week. The children described the experience as 'brilliant', 'fun' and 'incredible' and this was just after the first week's water test!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 24th Apr 9.00am & 5.30pm: Yr2 SATs Meetings
Fri 26th Apr 9.00am: Yr1 Phonics Pop-In
Tues 30th Apr: Yr3 Egyptian Workshop
Thur 2nd May 6pm : Yr6 IOW Parent Meeting
Mon 6th May: Bank Holiday
Wk comm 13th May: Yr6 SATs tests
Tues 21st May: Yr5 visit to Fishbourne Roman Palace
Mon 27th – Fri 31st May: Half term break
Mon 3rd Jun: INSET Day – academy closed to pupils
Mon 10th to Fri 14th Jun: Yr6 IOW Week
Wk comm 10th Jun: Yr1 phonics screening
Thur 13th June: EY trip to Washbrooks Farm