



## **FRIDAY FLIER 4 JULY 2014**

### **SPORTS DAY**

What a lovely day everyone had – perfect weather and perfect children!

### **TEACHERS' STRIKE**

I am happy to inform you that the teachers in our school will not be taking industrial action next Thursday, 10 July and the school will be open as usual. Herne Junior School will also be open.

### **FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR R**

Year R children will be having a teddy bears picnic with their friends from pre-school and nursery school on Monday 7 July at 1.30 pm. They will be decorating biscuits and making sandwiches at school, but will need to bring in a named small teddy or cuddly toy for the occasion please!

### **MATHS WORKSHOPS FOR YEAR R PARENTS**

On Thursday 10 July, Year R will be having their maths parent workshops. The times will be 9.30 – 10.00 am for grape and banana groups, and 11.00–11.30 am for strawberry and blueberry groups. Please enter via the front of the school. We hope that you find this an enjoyable experience for both you and your child.

### **CHANGE OF DATE - SCHOOL REPORTS**

This is to inform you that your child's report will be sent home next **Thursday 10 July** and not today as was previously indicated on the dates sent out on the Friday Flier at the beginning of this term.

### **FOR YEAR 2 PARENTS**

The children in Year 2 have been very busy doing their 'SATS' this term. These are the tests undertaken to support teacher assessments. Mrs Amor will be holding a short Year 2 parents' meeting in the Music and Drama Room on **Wednesday 9 July at 9.00 am** to tell parents about how the assessment process worked in Year 2. We no longer have to report test results at the end of Key Stage 1 and now only report on teacher assessments; this information will be sent out to you with your child's report, together with an explanation.

### **JEWELLERY**

Thank you for your co-operation with the loom bands and other jewellery. I wish to clarify that although stud earrings may be worn in school they must be removed for all PE lessons.

### **YEAR 2 BOOKPLATES**

In the past, some Year 2 children have kindly donated books to our school as their time with us draws to a close. This year we have produced school bookplates which can be personalised by your child and stuck into the book they have chosen. These will be available from the school office from Monday.

### **CHANGE OVER DAY – FRIDAY 11 JULY**

Next Friday is Change Over Day when all of the children spend the day in their new classes with their new teaching staff. Year 2 children will receive a separate letter with information from Herne Junior School about their arrangements for the day. For our current Year R and Year 1 children, everyone should come into school as normal that morning and they will all be dismissed from their own class in the usual way at the end of the day. A great deal of time has been spent in sorting out all of the new class lists to ensure a balance of ability, gender and friendships. The classes are mixed every year to ensure that the children develop more confidence by meeting other children. This process also allows

us to maintain a good balance in the classes, as the rate of progress children make fluctuates so much. Children in Years 1 and 2 spend literacy and numeracy sessions in differentiated groups, so they will meet up with other friends then from across the year group. Children generally spend the afternoons with their own class. You will receive a letter at the end of the day stating which class your child is in and the name of the teacher.

### **PETERSFIELD INFANT SCHOOL'S GOT TALENT**

On the last day of term, we will be holding our second talent show and we are all very excited! If your child would like to take part, they need to get practising as we will be holding heats for Year R on Monday 21 July and Years 1 and 2 on Tuesday 22 July. The performance must only be about 2-3 minutes long and they can dance, play an instrument, sing, tell a joke or similar, on their own or with a friend! The final on Wednesday will consist of 3 performances chosen from each year group. We hope to be able to film the show and put it on the Learning Platform for you all to see.

### **FESTIVAL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE FRIDAY 4 AND SATURDAY 5 JULY**

The children produced some fabulous work during our Art Day at school and some examples of their art work is being displayed at the Festival for Young People at the Festival Hall in Petersfield. If you would like to see this and also look at work done by other young people from our local community, then pop along to the Town Hall for the Festival for Young People being held today and tomorrow.

### **WORLD WEEK 14 – 18 JULY**

Just a reminder that our World Week is taking place the week after next and our focus this year is Africa! There are lots of exciting activities planned for the children including our International Club starting the week off with an African themed assembly. We would welcome support from parents, friends or relatives with any skills or expertise or African artefacts which might be of interest to the children. If you can help, please speak to your child's class teacher or alternatively leave a message at the office. Thank you.

### **A MESSAGE FROM ROCKSTEADY**

Is your child keen to become a rock star? There are more musical opportunities for the next academic school year. Your child will learn their instrument for 30 minutes per week by playing in their own rock band, coached by a visiting tutor from Rocksteady Music School. Learning an instrument has never been so much fun! Lessons are open to all year groups with no experience necessary, and all instruments are provided so no need to splash out just yet! Lessons take place during school time and all administration is covered by Rocksteady. It's the most hassle free option available. Track your child's progress at any time through our online Progression Tree. With plenty of videos, it's a great tool to help your child practice at home. Both in school and external concerts are organised at no extra cost, so your child gets to experience more exciting, confidence building opportunities as part of their study. payment is arranged by a monthly direct debit of £26.95 with no minimum sign up period, so if it's not right for your child, you can cancel at any time. Places will be booked on a first come first served basis. To guarantee your child a space for September, call Rocksteady now on **0845 094 1259** or email [info@rocksteadymusicschool.com](mailto:info@rocksteadymusicschool.com). If your child is already registered, their place is confirmed; lessons will automatically start again in September.

### **REMINDERS OF FURTHER DATES**

<b>Friday 11 July</b>	<b>Summer BBQ 4.30-6.30 pm</b>
Thursday 17 July	Summer Concert at 9.30 am (weather permitting) Open evening and art exhibition for Year 2 pupils 3.10-6 pm
Tuesday 22 July	Year 2 disco 6.00-7.30 pm
Wednesday 23 July	<b>Term ends at 3.10 pm</b>

