



20th March 2016

Dear Parents,

Parents' Evenings & Surveys:

Thank you to the many parents who completed our short survey during this week's parents' evenings and for the very positive feedback we received about children's learning and progress. May I ask that any surveys taken home to complete are returned as soon as possible; your feedback is helpful and much appreciated.

Sports Relief:

You should have received details of our Aerobithon in aid of Sports Relief to be held on Thursday 24th March. Children are invited to dress in sports kit and bring a donation of £1 towards the appeal. The whole school will launch the day with an aerobic workout at 8:30am and then classes will participate in a circuit training activity in timed slots throughout the day. With a full day's fitness in mind, Year 6 will also be holding the 'Big Cake Sale' after school from 3:30pm on the playground to top up any lost calories!

Staffing Update:

We all offer our love and very best wishes to Mrs Blois as she takes her maternity leave at the end of this term and look forward to the safe arrival of Baby Blois!

We also welcome Mrs Jones back to Sarisbury after the Easter Break. Mrs Jones will provide intervention and booster group support for pupils in Years 3 and 6 in a similar role to Miss Stevenson.

We are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Thomas Munsie born on Sunday 6th March; Mum, Dad and baby all doing very well! Mr Munsie will be back at Sarisbury on Monday following his paternity leave.

Dance Competition & Sports Update:

Congratulations to Mrs Hamblin and our Upper School Girls' Dance Troup who performed superbly at the regional finals in Swindon on Monday 7th March. We were also very proud of our swimmers who participated in the district swimming event at Waterlooville last Friday.

Congratulations to our Upper School Girls' Football Team who won the recent tournament at Fareham College and to our Lower School Girls who came third in their event on Tuesday afternoon. Well done also to our Upper School Boys' Football Team who were runners up in the Fareham & Gosport League Cup.

Choir Concert:

There will be an opportunity to hear a short concert from our excellent school choir on Thursday 24th March at 4:30pm. This will follow their usual rehearsal and share some of the songs we have been learning this half term; we look forward to seeing you there.

Dinner Money Plea:

May I take this opportunity to thank parents for their cooperation in paying for school meals in advance via our on-line payment facility. I would however extend a plea to all parents owing dinner money to ensure that this is paid in full by Monday 21st March. We are closing our financial year and at present have in excess of £1000 owing; clearly a situation that the school cannot sustain. We do request that all meals are paid for in advance and that parents note the planned increase in costs to £2.10 from the start of the summer term.

Summer menus are now available and may I take the opportunity to alert parents to the difference in meal choices. Due to the large numbers of pupils taking school meals at Sarisbury, we have switched the meal choices on a Tuesday and Wednesday; these differ from the Infants School.

Scholastic Book Fair:

The Book Fair will visit Sarisbury from Tuesday 19th to Monday 25th April. There are a wide range of new titles for the children to choose and all books will be half the published price; please do visit and snap up some great book bargains.

PFA Events:

Please add the 22nd April to your diary when the PFA will be hosting their Quiz Night; this is always a very enjoyable evening and we look forward to your support.

The Easter Raffle will be drawn on Monday 11th April at Sarisbury; I believe tickets are on sale throughout next week.

May I wish you all a very Happy Easter and a restful holiday. The new term begins at 8:45am on Monday 11th April.

Yours sincerely,

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