

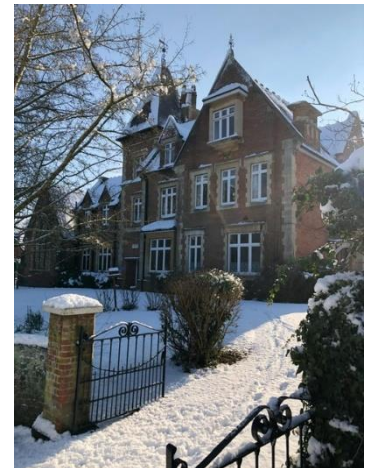
Mayhill School

NEWSLETTER

5th February 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support over the last week in dealing with the challenging weather conditions. A special thank you to Mr Alexander who came in with his tractor to help clear the playground, and to Holy Ridiculous who helped clear the pathways. We never take the decision lightly to close the school and there are many factors that need consideration including the knock-on effect of other schools closing; ability of staff to get to school; safety of site; likelihood of further snow at the end of the day etc.



School Council visit to Houses of Parliament

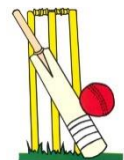
After taking the train up into London, the School Council enjoyed a brilliant tour around the Houses of Parliament on the day after the Brexit vote! Although we missed seeing the PM, they went into the House of Lords, observed the House of Commons in action from the viewing gallery and saw the Great Hall. They then took part in a workshop, learning about the value of individual choice and freedom. Our MP then came and joined us and answered some excellent questions about the life of an MP (and whether schools were going to receive more funding!).



Later in the day, we were lucky enough to see inside Number 10 Downing Street (as others entered), and toured around some of the main sites of London including Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey and Trafalgar Square. Photos are now available on the school gallery.

Girls' Cricket at Odiham Cricket Club

Odiham Cricket Club are looking to increase the number of local girls involved in cricket and are now offering free taster sessions for all girls in Y3+. Training takes place from 6.30 – 7.30pm on Friday nights, no equipment is necessary and they can simply wear their own sportswear. A soft ball is used at this age!



Spare Football Boots

We are keen to start creating a collection of unwanted football boots so that any child who might want to participate in a sports event, can do so without needing new equipment. If you have any, or might have some in the next few months, please remember us and the office will be delighted to receive them!

Mr May

WHAT'S COMING UP?

3B Class Assembly

3B Class assembly has been postponed until **Tuesday 5th March**.

Year 4 Winchester Science Centre

Year 4 will be visiting the Winchester Science Centre on **Thursday 7th February**. The trip will be leaving school at 9am, so please ensure your child is in school on time and has a packed lunch with them. They will return by 3.15pm.



6L Class Assembly

6L Class Assembly has been postponed, a new date will be issued shortly.



Year 5 Learning Event

On **Thursday 14th February**, parents and carers of Year 5 children are invited to their learning event. This will take place in the school hall at 2.30pm. Children will return to class after the event and be dismissed from their classes as normal at 3.15pm, when you will be able to collect them from the playground.

INSET DAY – Friday 15th February

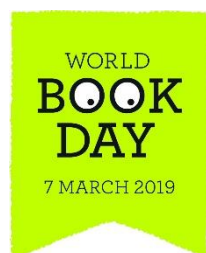
After Half Term



Parents Meetings – letters have been sent home about parent meetings on **Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th February**. Please make sure you return your child's slip to their class teacher as soon as possible to arrange your meeting.

3B Class Assembly

Parents and carers of 3B are invited to see the class assembly on **Tuesday 5th March at 9am**. All welcome.



On Thursday **7th March** we will be celebrating World Book Day in school. The main focus of the day is 'sharing a story', therefore we will be asking children to bring in their favourite book to share with a friend in class. To make this day extra special we will be asking the children to dress up as their favourite book character from their chosen book. We will also be asking the staff to dress up and to share their favourite books with the children too. Thank you for ongoing support.

Book People Book Fair – 7th – 13th March

After the success of the previous book fair in November, where the school raised £150 to spend on books for book corners and our library, we will be hosting another book fair to celebrate world book day. The fair is due to take place after school from the 7th March, until the 12th March. We hope you will be able to drop in.



Year 4 Maya Workshop

We are very lucky to once again be able to welcome Dr Diane Davies into school on **12th March**. She brings with her a wealth of knowledge and experience about the Maya civilisation. Forms will be sent home next week, please return them promptly to the Office.



6M Parent Lunch

On **Wednesday 13th March** we look forward to welcoming the 6M parents to lunch at the school. Please arrive ready for lunch at 12.30pm. You will then have an opportunity to visit your child's class after lunch. Letters will be sent home after half term.

3DF Class Assembly

Parents and carers of 3DF are invited to see the class assembly on **Tuesday 19th March at 9am**. All welcome.



6L Parent Lunch

On **Wednesday 20th March** we look forward to welcoming the 6L parents to lunch at the school. Please arrive ready for lunch at 12.30pm. You will then have an opportunity to visit your child's class after lunch. Letters will be sent home after half term.

SCHOOL NEWS

Snow alert

If the school needs to close due to adverse weather condition, parents need to visit this website for confirmation: <http://www.hants.gov.uk/education/schoolclosures/>

IMPORTANT - Online School Payments/Cashless

Thank you to all those who are now paying on line. If you would like assistance with setting up an online account please contact the Office.

The Office is now cashless and we will only accept online payments or cheques at the school office.



Deployment – notification letters

If you or a member of your family is due to be deployed, it is really important the school can plan to support your child at this time, including the time leading up to it and on return. The RAF Welfare Centre on the base now provide deployment packs to each family and in there is a letter which can you send to the school, informing us to how long the deployment will last. We received our first one of these last week and they are really helpful in ensuring everyone in school is informed. Thank You.

AND FINALLY...

Please regularly check the 'Dates' section of the newsletter and the website calendar as this is being added to every fortnight.

LOCAL NEWS

Hart Male Voice Choir – Youth Singing Competition

The competition is for singers, both male and female, in three age categories: 10 - 12, 13 - 15 and 16 - 18 years of age. The independent adjudication panel will be led by Haydn James, a conductor and arranger with many years' experience in the world of music, including thirty years as Musical Director of the London Welsh Male Voice Choir.

Entry to the competition will be free of charge.

The Audition

The auditions (which are the competition) will be held over the weekend of 23rd and 24th March 2019 in The Cross Barn, Odiham RG29 1JX. Directions will be provided nearer to the time.

We will welcome and register singers and their accompanying adult(s) on arrival at The Cross Barn.

A separate room with an electronic keyboard will be available for warming up and rehearsal for 15 minutes prior to the audition.

Singers are asked to perform two contrasting songs with a total duration of up to eight minutes. Singers may choose any songs they consider appropriate but any accompaniment must be live – there will be no amplification or recorded backing. Singers are asked to provide their own accompanist if possible but please let me know if this presents a problem.

Singers are asked to provide their music by Friday 22nd February 2019. This is to enable to adjudicators to prepare for the auditions.

The audition will be given in front of an audience made up members of HMVC and their partners for the most part. I have no doubt they will be an appreciative and supportive audience.

After the audition

We will send the adjudicators' comments and a certificate of participation to every singer.

A winner's certificate will be sent to the winner in each age group and the winners will perform at a concert to be held in All Saints Church, Odiham on Saturday 27th April 2019.

Application forms are available from Mayhill School Office.

ROTARY CLUB YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER AND YOUR WRITER COMPETITIONS

Our local Rotary Club are running Young Photographer and Young Writer competitions. The children will be briefed in class about these competitions and application forms are available from the school office. For further information please click on the following link or speak to your child's class teacher. **DEADLINE 22nd MARCH 2019**

<https://www.rotarygbi.org/projects/young-people/competitions/>



FRIENDS OF MAYHILL UPCOMING EVENTS

FILM NIGHT 5pm - 13.02.19

The Emoji Movie. Cert U

Forms being sent home this week.

Please enter the Film Night through the main doors at the FRONT of school at 5pm

CAKE SALE LAST WEEK

Thanks so much for all your cake donations, it made an enormous £206 - all profit!!.

Thank you so much!

CHRISTMAS JUMPER TOO SMALL??

Please donate it to the school office & we will recycle them next year!

UNWANTED CHRISTMAS PRESENTS?

Please bring them to the school office to be reused next year in our Secrets Room. These unwanted gifts help to raise so much money for the school, so please donate anything you don't need. Many thanks!

KEY DATES

FEB

7 th	Yr4 Winchester Science Centre
12 th	6L Class Assembly – POSTPONED
13 th	Film Night – 5pm
14 th	Yr5 Learning Event Parents Welcome 2.30pm
15 th	INSET DAY
18 th – 22 nd	Half Term
27 th	Parents Evening – 5 – 7.30pm
28 th	Parents Evening - 3.30 – 6pm

MAR

5 th	3B Class Assembly
7 th	World Book Day
7 th – 13 th	Book Fair
12 th	Yr 4 Maya Workshop
13 th	6M Parent Lunch
19 th	3DF Class Assembly
20 th	6L Parent Lunch
29 th	Year 6 Learning Event Parents Welcome 2.30pm

APRIL

2nd 4A Class Assembly
3rd Year 3 Learning Event Parents Welcome 2.30pm
3rd Year 4 Dance Display Parents Welcome 2.30pm
5th **Last Day of Spring Term – 1pm Finish**
23rd **First Day of Summer Term**

MAY

2nd – 3rd Life Education Bus
7th 3S Class Assembly
9th Happy Bag Collection
21st 5R Class Assembly
23rd Yr 3 Sleepover
27th – 31st **Half Term**

JUNE

6th – 7th Yr 4 Camping Residential
10th Yr5 Trip to the Living Rainforest
18th Sports Day
21st Y3 Trip to Wisley
25th Class Photographs

JULY

9th Happy Bag Collection
9th Upper School Production – 6.30pm
10th Upper School Production – 6.30pm
11th – 16th Art Week
12th School Reports Go Home
19th **Last Day of Summer Term Finish at 1pm**
22nd **INSET DAY**
23rd **INSET DAY**