



# Weekly Newsletter

18<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Discussion of the Week

Wow! What a week. KS2 have been busy working on The White Project today, which has enabled them to work together with children in other classes to design and produce a piece of art which symbolises hope and peace, commemorating 100 years since the end of World War 1. It is great to see the children collaborating with each other. Their finished art pieces will be displayed in locations around Hampshire. We will also create a school display.

## Visits

YR had a wonderful day at Longdown yesterday. The children represented our school very well as they experienced feeding and holding baby farm animals as well as riding on a bumpy tractor ride. Everyone was very enthusiastic on their return and I am sure brilliant memories will have been made. Y1 and 2 have been to Portchester Castle as part of this half term's topic. This included stone rubbing, climbing up to the third floor and followed a trail of clues. A picnic lunch was held just outside the castle entrance. All of the children were a credit to the school and learnt lots about castles!

We would like to extend our thanks to all of the parents and family members who have lent a hand with all of our events this week – without you we really couldn't do all of the fabulous extra experiences that enhance what we are doing.

## Thank you and goodbye!

We have said goodbye today to Mrs Nicholls who has been a key part of the Y6 children's successes. She will be missed by all of us at Kings Copse and I am sure you will join us in wishing her all the best for the future.

## Changes to Data Protection Law

You may be aware that from May 25th, the rules around data protection are changing. The 'General Data Protection Regulation' (GDPR) will change how we can use your personal data and keep it safe, and will also strengthen your rights over your own data. The point of this is to make sure sensitive or private information about yourselves and your children stays safe. Whilst it is similar to the current Data Protection Act in many ways, there are a few differences, so we need to make some changes at school in order to ensure we remain compliant. As part of our work to comply with the GDPR, we will be updating our privacy policy and our data protection policy. More information will be issued shortly.

## Walk to School Week

Next week is Walk to School Week. After the success of Big Pedal, we are hoping to build on this with this national initiative. Parking and Striding is encouraged, so please don't worry if bringing your car is a necessary part of your journey! Tuesday (22<sup>nd</sup> May) is Shoesday. As part of the day, we welcome children, staff (and parents too) to come to school in footwear of their choice. Coming up on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June we have an exciting event in store which will promote the use of the Park and Stride. On this day, we would like as many children and parents to meet at 8.20 at the Norman Rodaway and prepare to walk into school together. We are expecting a special guest or two! ☺

*Hayley Ferguson*

What will happen in the future?

## Merits this Week

Bronze – Ti'Annah (Y1)  
Gold – Lola (Y6)

*Well done everyone!*

## Dates for Diary

22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Happy Shoesday
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Class Photos
25 <sup>th</sup> May	End of term
4 <sup>th</sup> June	Inset Day
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Back to school
6 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day – 1pm
8 <sup>th</sup> June	Park and Stride Relaunch 8.20am VI Inreach

## Letters sent home

YR 5 & 6 - The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe consent letter.

## Achievements this week

Natasha (Y3)

Has earned a certificate for 100 points for her extra learning outside school

All of Y6

We are SO proud of every one of our amazing Y6s! The positivity and effort with which they faced their statutory tests was incredible, and they could not have done any more. This is the culmination of a year of hard work and determination. They have developed and grown so much, We are already looking forward to what they will be able to pull out of the bag for the end of year performance.

*Well done. We are proud of you all!*

This week's winning team:

**BIRCH**