



Update

Spring Term 7

April 2011

Message from the Chair of Governors

Dear Parents

I know that many of you are concerned about the extension of parking restrictions near the Infant Department that are being proposed by the Council. This will make it increasingly difficult for our staff to park near the school. We are contacting the Local Authority about this as we believe that we have an excellent staff and we do not wish them to be challenged each day to find a parking space. The governors believe that

Happy staff=Happy children=Great Learning

If you can support the school's endeavours to find a solution to the parking issue, between the University and the local community, which enables staff to get to work, please could you write to Mark Heath, Southbrook Rise, 4-8 Millbrook Road East SO151YG

Leslie Fuller

Mrs Leslie Fuller, Chair of Governors

Infants

A fantastic Spring Assembly was seen by all; great reading, music, dance, drama and singing. Thanks to all the staff for all their careful preparation.

In Willow and Oak the children have been observing and then painting flowers. They are amazing!. The classes have also started to grow sun flowers. Miss Hughes reported the escape of wild animals (soft toys) from her Spring Vets. The children have recaptured them and in their roles as vets are taking good care of them.

In Ash Miss Douglas is with us on placement and the class have been working on division and multiplication. The children have observed and modelled 3D flowers. The detail is impressive.

In Maple there has been maths((multiplication and division) music, observation drawing, and writing about Easter.

Thank you to all the parents for sending in such an array of wonderfully colourful Easter bonnets.

Year 6

We have been working really hard this week in the mornings to make sure we are ready for our SATs after Easter. In the afternoons we have been making super smoothies (all of them truly delicious!) and learning all about magnificent microorganisms in Science. The rights of children is another area we have focused on, specifically researching street children in India. We have delivered powerful presentations to persuade people to think about the terrible tragedies that affect the lives of these unfortunate youngsters.

Peter Borodzicz

Year 3

In Year three and four we had an Egyptian day where we dressed up as Egyptians and we played games. We also made date cake and we had a pyramid contest where we weren't allowed to have many things to make a pyramid, we were only allowed scissors, newspaper and masking tape! We also created headbands and bracelets. It was a fun day. Anais Ansari

Year 4

We've been learning about ancient Egypt and pyramids. We did a four week project about pyramids where we had to make a pyramid or a poster with lots of information. Then, last Thursday we created 'Egyptian Mummy' posters that explained why Pharaohs were mummified and how were they mummified. In Literacy we have been designing our own blueprints for a magical shirt machine using lots of causal, addition and time connectives. Malika

Year 5

In Year 5 we've been learning about the Highwayman; on Monday we did photo shoots for different scenes from the poem. We were allowed to bring in any props which were suitable from home. This week in maths we have been working on fractions and percentages. Karita & Jessica.

Royal Wedding: The invites will be coming to you soon. This is also our chance to celebrate the closure of the Highcrown Street so the picnic has a dual purpose. If you would like to come please come via the main entrance to the Juniors at 12am and find your child on the playground. It might be an idea to bring a rug to sit on. If it's raining the children will be in their respective halls which won't be so much fun. You are still welcome to join in but it won't be the same.

Congratulations to Natasha and Ella in Year 3 whose Easter work had a special mention from Mrs Ford

H.S.A Summer fair 25th June

DIARY DATES

H.S.A cake sale 26th May

DAY CLOSURE date has changed from 27th May to 17th June.