



### **DAVID SHEPHERD ART & POETRY COMPETITION**

We are delighted to announce that our entry for the David Shepherd Wildlife & Poetry Competition entitled 'Wild Wonders' has been shortlisted and we are planning to attend the prize giving ceremony in London at the Natural History Museum. We are now making final arrangements to take a group of children up to London to what will certainly be a fantastic experience. If you have not already seen our entry, please do come and view this in the main entrance.

### **E-SAFETY**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February was '**Safer Internet Day**' and you may have read about this hot topic in the news recently. At the beginning of each term, each class takes time to revisit a range of E-Safety rules to help children stay safe online. Teachers also discuss the impact of cyber-bullying, particularly in Year 5 and 6, and we have been worried to note that some of our children have informed us that they have their own social media accounts such as Facebook, Snapchat or Instagram. We would like to remind parents and guardians:

- You must be at least 13 years old to create a Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, You Tube and Snapchat account.
- You have to be 16 to open a What's App account.
- The Internet is a public place and it is important that parents closely monitor their child's access to the internet.

Together with the Infant School, we held an **E-Safety talk** for parents on **March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm** led by computing expert Tim Barrett. Slides and further information from the talk will be sent to you when they become available from Tim.

### **VALENTINE'S DISCO**

Incredibly the Valentine's Disco made £624 profit. The children were impeccably behaved and the bar was a hit! A huge thank you to the parent volunteers on the evening who helped make this a success.

### **YOUNG VOICES**

You may like to be aware that Young Voices create a DVD of each concert it holds and orders for these can be placed directly through the Young Voices website. Remember to select the correct date of concert: **28<sup>th</sup> January**, to ensure you receive a copy which features our school.

### **READING BREAKFAST**

A big thank you to all the parents who joined us for our Reading Breakfast. The children had a wonderful time sharing their books and food with their family and friends!

### **HASLEMERE HOCKEY CLUB**

We would like to thank the Haslemere Hockey club coaches for coming into school this term and running year group sessions. If your child would like to improve their hockey skills or just play some more hockey, Haslemere Hockey Club run after school sessions at The Edge. More information is available on their website: [www.haslemerehockey.com](http://www.haslemerehockey.com)

### **TISSUES**

We get through many boxes of tissues and hand sanitisers and we are always grateful for any donations for your child's class. Please drop these in at the School Office.

### **MEDICAL MESSAGES**

There is currently a nasty and prolonged sickness bug in school. Please remember that if your child has had sickness or diarrhoea they are not allowed to return to school until 2 clear days following the last episode.

We have also had reported cases of head lice in school. Please check your child regularly so we can eliminate these unwelcome visitors.

### **SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS**

We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers again this year. Any vouchers that you collect can be deposited by you or your child into the Active Kids collection box located in reception. The vouchers can then be redeemed for a great range of equipment, team sports kits and Active Experiences and coaching sessions that we can use to inspire our children to become more active.

## Key Dates for the Spring and Summer Terms 2016:

March 2016	
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Please note that school-run after school clubs are cancelled today - Computer Explorers will run as usual.
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Film Viewing ( <i>please check your allotted time and date as emailed</i> )
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Film Viewing ( <i>please check your allotted time and date as emailed</i> )
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 SATs and Brighton Trip Information Session 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Assembly 2.15pm - 2.45pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Brenscombe Information Session 5pm – 6pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Confederation Sports, The Edge, 8.45am – 11.30am
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Confederation Sports, The Edge, 8.45am – 11.30am
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Carnival Planning Meeting in Dance Studio – 2pm
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Consultation Evening
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Consultation Evening
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Orchestra Day at Woolmer Hill 9.30am – 3pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	David Shepherd Wildlife Art Competition trip to Natural History Museum (further information to follow)
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 4 Roman Day & Class Assembly 2.15pm – 2.45pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	PTFA Year 5 Cake Sale
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	MUFTI Day – donations of chocolate for Easter tombola
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March – Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Year 5 Bikeability Level 1
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of the spring term 3:10pm PTFA Easter Chocolate Tombola Sale
April 2016	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of the summer term
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Haslemere Carnival ( <i>more information will follow the planning meeting</i> )
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	PTFA Year 6 Cake Sale
May 2016	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bank Holiday – School will be closed to children on this day
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	SATS week for pupils in Year 6
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Children break up for half term
June 2016	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	First day back for the second half of the summer term