



# Ewhurst News



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Dear all,

What a week it has been! It started on Monday morning with an all important phone call and since then it feels we have not stopped! As I wrote in a separate letter to you all, I want to say on behalf of the staff team a huge thank you for all your good wishes and support during the Inspection. We had over 50 parents complete the Ofsted survey, which was magnificent. We now have a wait of about 5 weeks before we see the report and all matters relating to the Inspection remain confidential until then. We are already making plans to ensure the report is shared in the correct way, so that our community hears first. Thanks again for being so wonderfully supportive during the week. I have to give a big shout out to my staff, who worked incredibly hard. I am so proud of our team!

Safeguarding, as you know, remains the top priority for us and our focus this term on online safety continues. I attach some useful advice from the National College about YouTube. We sometimes hear pupils speak about the videos they have watched on YouTube, so it is good to be aware of the pros and cons of this site. You will notice that we are now using Instagram and attached please find a copy of our Social Media Policy. We want to be especially careful in using Instagram appropriately while at the same time celebrating all the wonderful things taking place at our school.

Finally, next week is Book Week. We will celebrate World Book Day on Friday 3 March (because of the partial closure of the school on Thursday 2 March because of the NEU strike action – please see my separate letter on this). Friday will be a day to dress up in our favourite book character (including the staff!) and celebrate a love for reading. We will have the Usborne Book Fair in our hall from 2.30pm, with all proceeds going to provide more books for the school. It's going to be lots of fun! You will also hear more in a separate letter about our Sponsored Read taking place over the next two weeks.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr. Walters

### ***Mystery Readers***

***27<sup>th</sup> February to 3<sup>rd</sup> March***

*Thank you to all those parents who have volunteered – please do keep it a secret!*

**Spring Term 2023**

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Cherry class History Walk  
 Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultations Year 1,2

**March**

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Parent Consultations Year R,1& 2  
 Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> World Book Day Dress up  
 Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Usborne Books Fair  
 Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Apple Class Trip to Amberley Museum  
 Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Cherry Class at Sayers Croft

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Red Nose Day - MUFTI  
 Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Apple class Tea for Mothers day  
 Week 20<sup>th</sup> Science Week  
 Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Science Wizards  
 Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Parents Working alongside  
 Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> Cherry Class at Sayers Croft  
 Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Drops ins all classes  
 Fri 24<sup>th</sup> PTA Tuck Shop  
 Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Holly Class Forest School  
 Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Easter Pause Morning  
 Fri 31<sup>st</sup> End of Term Service @9.15  
 Fri 31<sup>st</sup> School finishes at 1.30pm

**Summer Term 2023****April**

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> All children return to school  
 Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Wild for Britain visit  
 Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> NHS Nurses in Apple class  
 Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Drop ins all classes

**May**

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Bank Holiday  
 Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday  
 Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Sports Morning  
 Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Drop ins all classes  
 19<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> June HALF TERM

**June**

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> INSET DAY  
 Tues 6<sup>th</sup> All children return

**Awards –24/02/2023 - Well done!****Star of the Week Award**

Apple Ella  
 Holly Aria  
 Cherry Amelia

**Headteacher's Award**

Apple Austin  
 Holly Olive  
 Cherry Alice

**'African Activities' – 22<sup>nd</sup> February (morning)**

The PTA invited all children to an amazing African Drumming Workshop. We were very lucky to be visited by Kwame who gave the children a wonderful experience of African drumming and African dance as well as a traditional African story about the children had a fantastic time learning about rhythm and movement and found the story very funny it was brilliant to see how a day of culture was so engaging for staff and children alike.

**Parent Consultations****Monday 27<sup>th</sup>****February and****Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>****March**

The teachers are very much looking forward to meeting with all the parents next week

**Easter Bonnets**

It's never too early for your children to start thinking about making their Easter Bonnet for the End of Term Service on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 9.15am all parents welcome!

Have some fun by making Easter bonnets at home. Teachers are looking for children's creativity and handicraft visible in their bonnets

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March Usborne Book Fair**

This will take place in the Dove Centre between 2.30 and 3.30. Please do come along and see the wide range of books they have on offer and support the school at the same time!

**World Book Day March** all children and staff are welcome to dress up as a book character. If they are not keen on dressing up they could bring a **prop or something that represents** their character. **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

