

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to Squirrel Class and Hedgehog Class who have ended our term so splendidly by presenting their class assemblies to families and friends. I know that they really enjoy this process which includes both practise and performance. Talking and singing to an audience is such a valuable experience for all. Over the years we really see the confidence of individual children grow here at school and I hope that as parents you will recognise this is the case for your children over time!

Everyone has worked so hard over this past term and we are now all ready for a well earned break. On behalf of all the staff here at school I wish you all a very Happy Easter with your family and friends. A perfect time to relax and reset ready for the long summer term ahead. We look forward to welcoming children back to school bright and early on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April!

Warm wishes

Tracey Newbold

## Swimming

We are looking forward to years 3 and 4 starting swimming on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> of April. Please ensure that you are prepared for this.

# Chance to Shine

I know that the children have really enjoyed working with our Chance to Shine cricket coach, Fred. He also reports having enjoyed his time working with the Barns Green school community. Sadly we have come to the end of the project for this year however I understand that many of the children have been enthused by cricket. Barns Green have an active cricket club and I would encourage you to contact them regarding their sessions and training. I am in discussion with Fred regarding an after school club however unfortunately we lost our slot earlier this year as the take up was so low! It would be great to be able to move ahead with this!

# Swimarathon



Layla, Fin, Stella, Ollie, Noah and Lukas swam an amazing number of lengths for the school and local charities last Sunday and in doing so raised over £800. I would like to thank them all for this amazing achievement. It shows what you can



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do when you put your mind to it. Well done to them for representing our school so brilliantly!

### **Bumps and Bruises**

I would like to reassure parents that our playground is a very happy and safe place to play. It is well supervised by experienced staff and we actively encourage all our children to have fun with a range of equipment whilst outside. Unfortunately, bumps and bruises can occur and occasionally children are unkind to each other. However, with adult support where necessary, all children enjoy their time outside. If an incident does occur staff deal with it appropriately and parents are informed if necessary. We appreciate your understanding that this is the case.

We look forward to being on the field when it dries out!

### Website

We have been working on our school website including new information and class pages, which are updated regularly, please take a look and we will continue to develop our website over the coming months.

#### April

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Children back in school

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – Fox class trip to Dell Quay

- Yr 3 + 4 Swimming lessons start
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Yr 1 + 2 Multiskills Festival at The Weald 1.30-3pm (details to follow) - Squirrel and Otter trip to Pulborough Brooks

#### May

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> – Splash assembly

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

June

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Children back in school

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> – Yr 5+6 PGL residential trip

Wednesday 12th - Children return from residential trip

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> – Sports Day

July

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – INSET day

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Break up for Summer holidays