



NEWSLETTER



Friday 7th March 2025

Dates for next week:

Monday 10 th March	P.E. day for Willow Class Music lesson (Mr Chalke) for Year 1 and 2 Oak Class children: Writing Conferences Clubs restart
Tuesday	P.E. day for Beech and Oak Willow Class children Writing Conferences Gymnastic Club (paid for) 3-4pm Table Tennis Club: Y3/4
Wednesday	Beech Class children: Writing Conferences P.E. day for Willow Class: Dance Kicks! Hockey Club (paid for) 3-4pm
Thursday	
Friday	Swimming for Beech and Oak

Signing up to Science Saturday

On **Saturday 22nd March** you are invited to attend a science workshop with your child/ren. This will follow the same format as the children will have had in school, using 'Investigate Me' boxes to develop a line of enquiry and then carry out a science experiment.

It runs from 10.30-12pm. All children must be accompanied by a parent/carer.

We need to have an idea of how many families to cater for as we need to purchase certain items.

Please go onto MCAS and you will see this under Clubs as Science Saturday

Tissue Box Plea

We have now depleted the tissue box supply which many parents contributed to. If you are able to buy a box of tissues to donate to school, we would be most grateful.

Bottle Top Lids

Please can you send in any clean bottle top lids for the Year 2 children to use as part of their upcoming trip to Chichester College. If you send them in with your child, Mrs Halfacree will collect them. Thank you

Book Bag Emptying and no toys thank you.

Please can the children empty and clear their book bags weekly to ensure there is space for reading materials / homework books. We also seem to have toys creeping back into book bags and pockets

New Sports Ambassadors

We have 4 new ambassadors who completed their training alongside children from other local schools. Congratulations to: Kayden, Charlie, Primroze and Liliya for completing the training and representing our school so well. You will now be called upon to support Miss Cain with setting up events such as Sports Day!

Winter Sports Day

On Tuesday the children competed in House Teams to win the House Team Cup. Congratulations to Deer Team whose green ribbons are now proudly displayed on the cup! Six children were also commended for their fairness, team spirit and sportsmanship throughout the afternoon. Well done to Scarlett (YR) Jack H (Y1), Amelia (Y2) Hanna (Y6), Immy (Y6) and Freddie (Y6) - you were spotted demonstrating brilliant sporting behaviours! Thank you to Miss Cain for organising the afternoon and for the children for competing with enthusiasm.

World Book Day

Thank you for sending your children in their PJs and comfy clothes for the day. The children enjoyed reading books to one another in House Teams as well as sharing books they had made themselves.

You may have spotted the staff team dressed as Wally from the Where's Wally books. Throughout the day the children were tasked with finding out who the real 'Wally' was, by asking questions. Eventually Beth (Y6) asked the question - Do you drive a red car? Only Miss Boyd answered yes! It was a brilliant way of developing children's questioning skills and teamwork as they worked together to try and solve the mystery.



Worship this Week

This week marks the start of Lent. On Tuesday we discussed the significance of Shrove Tuesday. You may be aware that there were lots of pancakes cooked and consumed in the school hall - thank you Mrs Norris and Miss Kitka for the Pancake Kitchen. The children also then took part in Pancake races!



On Wednesday Reverend Sarah led an Ash Wednesday service in school. She explained that the ashes were made using the palms from last year's Palm Sunday. Some children chose to come forward to have an ash cross placed on their forehead.

She explained how Lent is a period of preparation and reflects the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert. She asked the children about the idea of 'giving something up' for Lent. Christians believe that this is to represent Jesus Christ's sacrifice when he went into the desert to pray and fast for 40 days before later dying on the cross. We heard that some children are giving up their time on You Tube, some sweets and chocolate and one their favourite breakfast topping of honey. Remember you can break your 'fast' on Sundays!

Corporate Challenge Runners

On Wednesday evening, Jasper, Mathilda and Beth from Year 6 and Liliya from Year 5, represented Singleton in the Corporate Challenge Road race. Miss Cain and I were very impressed with their determination and confidence as they completed the 2 laps. They have 2 further races to compete in and will no doubt be keen to improve their times. Thank you to the families for attending and supporting your own and other children.

Golden Book: This week we celebrate children who have been encouraging of others. In the same way that someone needs a coach to train and become physically fit, we also need to develop socially, emotionally and spiritually. It is the encouragement of others which often makes the difference to our progress and success. Well done to: Jonah (YR) for encouraging and supporting his friend to complete a piece of learning, Jacob (Y4) for encouraging others both in the classroom and at playtime and to Spencer (Y5) for always providing others with positive affirmations. What a great 'brigade of boys' you are!

Enjoy the photo collages below showcasing some of this week's learning and special activities - a busy week!

The weather is looking beautiful again this weekend - *Theresa Smyth* and the Singleton Team

Pancake Making and Races



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