



# Vernham Dean Gillum's Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 23rd March 2018

### World Book Day and School Disco

We will now hold our World Book Day on Tuesday 27th March. Please come dressed as your favourite book character. There is no charge for this event.

There will also be a School Disco on Tuesday 27th March and will be held during school hours (from 2:00pm). Again no charge for event. School will finish at the usual time of 3:30pm and collection as normal from classrooms.

### Easter Service

Our Easter Service will be held on Wednesday 28th March at 2:00pm. We welcome all parents, grandparents and carers to join us at St. Mary the Virgin Church Vernham Dean. We will walk up at 1:45pm, if you are driving please use the 'one way system' up Bulpits Hill, parking with care outside the church and driving away down past the Manor. The children will need wellies in a named bag and their coats. After the service the children will return to school and pick up is 3:30pm from the classroom doors. Please note for safeguarding reasons, the children can not be collected from the church.

**Please note Thursday 29th March is an INSET day. Return to school after Easter holiday on Monday 16th April.**

### Events and Reminders

27/03 School Disco and World Book Day  
28/03 Easter Service St Mary the Virgin Church 2:00pm. End of Term 3:30pm  
29/03 INSET Day  
16/04 Back to school after Easter Holidays

**Term Dates and Calendar are also available on our Website**

### Clubs

Premier Sports club will end Tuesday 27th March.  
All clubs will start the first week back at school. Places still available on KS1(Wednesday) and KS2 (Thursday) team games sports clubs.

### Bag2School and Uniform Sale

Thank you for your donations, £122.40 was raised by the Friends. Second-hand uniform sale; £23.50 was raised. Thank you to Mrs Craig for organising the event.

### Staffing Arrangements

Mrs Hall will be leaving her post at the end of the academic year. The school has appointed her successor who is an experienced Early Years teacher, Miss Claire Neale; she will be joining us in September.

Mrs Richardson will now be in school from Monday to Thursday. Mrs Betteridge, who the children met last week, will be joining us for two days and will work with Mrs Richardson on Thursday morning to ensure a smooth transition between teachers. She will teach Beech class Thursday afternoon and Friday.

### Dates for your Diary

27/03 School Disco  
27/03 World Book Day  
28/03 Easter Service St Mary's 2:00pm  
29/03—15/04 Easter Holidays  
07/05 May Day Bank Holiday  
14/05-17/05 SATs  
11/06 Yr 5 Taster Day The Clere School  
12/06 Park House Taster day Yr 5  
16/06 Friends of School Race Night  
18/06, 19/06 & 21/06 Bikeability Years 5 & 6  
20/06 Yr 6 Leavers Winchester Cathedral  
29/06 Whole School Photo  
03/07 Sports day & Family picnic 10:00am  
11/07 Year 5 Taster Day Harrow Way  
12/07 Summer Whole School Production & Family fun evening  
20/07 Yr 6 Leavers Service St Mary's  
**INSET Days**  
29th March, 23rd July

### Attendance w/c 19th March

Willow:	96.7%
Maple:	96.3%
Oak:	98.8%
Beech:	98.5%
School:	97.5%

### Church

**St Mary the Virgin Church**  
Vernham Dean  
Family Service 10:00am 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Sunday of each month

**St Peter's Hurstbourne**  
Tarrant Family Service  
10:00am 1st Sunday