



Vernham Dean Gillum's Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 17th February 2017

Latest News

- Friday March 10th is Anti Bullying Day. The children can wear red to school to 'STOP bullies in schools,' there will be supporting activities throughout the day
- The Smart School Council chose the Charities they would most like to fundraise for this year, then all the children in the school voted for their choice and activity. So our National Fund Raising Day on Friday 7th April will be a cake sale for the RSPCA
- Just to confirm the Linkenholt Countryside Day is Wednesday 22nd March. Full details of the day were sent out on the Newsletter last week

World Book Day Thursday 2nd March

The children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character and bring their book to show the class.

We invite parents to a 'parent story share' Parents, who are able to stay are very welcome to join your child's class for the first 15 minutes of the day to share a picture book or section of a chapter with your child/children and others whose parents are unable to be there.

At 3pm to end the day we would then like to invite you to join your child/children for a book 'treasure hunt' in the school grounds. Families will be able to look for clues about books on labels hidden in our outdoor area. There will be a prize for the family with the most correct answers in the quickest time!

We do hope that you can join us for one, or both, of these activities. There is no donation for the children to dress up and all the children will receive a £1 World Book Day voucher after Half Term

Head Lice Alert!

Please continue to check your child's hair and head regularly for head lice and eggs with a head louse comb and treat promptly if necessary. We ask you to help us eradicate the problem with your vigilance and swift treatment. Thank you

After School Safety on the Burydene

We have received a couple of complaints from parents about stone throwing on the Burydene after school. Whilst these parents and the school recognise that this is not being done maliciously, we do have concerns about children's safety. Whilst the school is not responsible for the children at this time, Miss Thompson has spoken to all children about the safety aspect. Also could we remind families that the Parish rule is to reverse into a car parking space so that we can see children on departing the car park. Your help in making the Burydene a safe and friendly place for the children to play after school is very much appreciated!

Events

Quiz Night - reminder to book your ticket for our annual Quiz Night and Fish & Chip Supper on Friday 3rd March.

Bag2School

The next collection of recyclable clothing is Thursday 16th March. Bags will be sent out after half term, please save your unwanted items of clothing, shoes, bags, hats and soft toys for this fund raising collection. Thank you.

Sainsbury's Active Kids

We are collecting the Active Kids Vouchers from Sainsbury's; there is a collection box in the School Office for your vouchers. Thank you

Second-hand Uniform Sale

There will be a sale of Second-hand Uniform after school on Wednesday 15th March. Any donations of second-hand uniform gratefully received, please leave in the Office or with Mrs Craig, Thank you.

INSET Day

We hope you all have an enjoyable and fun Half Term. Just a reminder that Monday 27th February is an INSET Day, so the first day back will be Tuesday 28th

Dates for your Diary

- 27/02 INSET Day
- 02/03 World Book Day
- 03/03 Quiz Night
- 07/03 School Nurse Yr R, Yr 6
- 08/03 Rugby Saxon League Vernham Dean
- 10/03 Anti Bullying Day—Wear red
- 15/03 Second hand Uniform Sale 3:30pm
- 16/03 Bag2School
- 22/03 Countryside Day Linkenholt
- 24/03 Red Nose Day PGL second instalment £65
- 05/04 Easter Service
- 07/04 National Fund Raising Day for the RSCPA Cake Sale
- 03/05 Saxon League Smannell
- 08/05—12/05 SATS Yr 5/6
- 18/05 Sparkling Rugby Yr 3/4
- 22/05 PGL third payment £65
- 23/05 Sparkling Rugby Yr 5/6
- 14/06 YR 6 Leavers Service Winchester
- 16/05 Safety Day
- 10/07 PGL final payment

INSET DAYS

27th Feb 2017
24th & 25th July 2017

Term Dates 2016/17

Spring Term

3rd January - 7th April
Half Term 20th - 24th Feb; Inset day 27th Feb

Summer Term

24th April - 25th July (Inset days 24th & 25th July)
Half Term 29th May - 2nd June

Church

St Mary's Vernham Dean Family Service 10:00am 2nd Sunday of each month

St Peter's Hurstbourne Tarrant Family Service 10:00am 1st Sunday of each month

Achievers and Behaviour & Values Certificates Friday 10th Feb

Willow: Isla, Harry
Maple: Tristan, George, Imogen
Oak: Harry B, Eve W
Beech: Charlie, Abigail