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Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Mum's Day

Today was very busy in school - **we had 88 mum's visit us, this is fantastic!** The children love days like this where they get to show off a bit and share their classroom and areas around the school. They also get very excited about the day and are therefore likely, just like the staff, to sleep well tonight!

Thank you to all the mums that supported the Child Protection procedures concerning phones not being taken into classrooms. It does help the day run more smoothly, and shares the community responsibility around safely looking after all of our children.

I do hope that a few of you might write a note to your child's class thanking staff for having them in school today - they will really appreciate this feedback. In addition, if you feel that the day could have been improved for you in any way then please email the school office with your feedback.

Eco-Brick

You may recall in last week's newsletter that we mentioned the school will be challenging all children to make an eco brick each by the start of term 6. We would like to use these bricks to build something within the school grounds. Please can you encourage your child to take part and begin making an eco brick as soon as possible.



Above: An example of an eco-brick wall!

- Collect clean, dry household waste
- Twist and insert into a plastic bottle
- Compress as tightly as possible
- Repeat steps above until bottle is full

Think your eco-brick is done? If you can squeeze it by more than 10% with one hand then keep adding more waste. No **longer squishable? It's done!**

Please help to support this project. The more eco-bricks we have, the bigger the structure we can build on the school site!

Clubs

Just a reminder to all parents that at the end of a long term we do not have staff-run clubs operating during the last week. Therefore, the only clubs running next week are LearnChess and Funky Feet, as these are both provided by external parties. Please do keep an eye out for

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the list of clubs that will be offered throughout Term 5. We are hoping to send this out next week to give you time to discuss the options with your child, book spaces via the school office, and amend your bookings in after school club accordingly.

Recycle With Michael

Throughout March, pupils and their families have been having a clear out at home and filling **special bags with unwanted clothes and shoes to donate to the Salvation Army's recycling scheme, Recycle With Michael.** The Salvation Army works to support those in need, in particular homelessness, poverty, modern slavery, unemployment and addiction. The Salvation Army also offers a variety of services for children, families and the elderly and so we are pleased to support this worthwhile charity.

A huge thank you to all families that have been bringing in bags for the duration of this week. They were collected this morning and funds raised from the contents will be split equally **between our school and the Salvation Army... plus we have helped a little bit towards saving the planet too!**



100 Club

The 100 Club draw for March took place earlier today and I'm delighted to announce that this month's winner is Peter Mackelden with ball number 44. Congratulations! Your £50 cheque will be on it's way to you shortly!

For any new parents that have joined the school community recently, our 100 Club draw takes place at the end of each month. Please speak to a PTFA member or staff in the school office if you would like to sign up.



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PTFA Corner

Easter Egg Hunt



The school Easter Egg hunt takes place at 3.15pm on Thursday 4th April on the school field. Tickets are £2 each and every child will receive an Easter Egg. Siblings and friends are welcome to buy tickets and join in! Ticket requests via the PTFA post box please.

Bingo

Thank you to everyone who attended Bingo earlier this week and helped to raise an impressive £661! The money raised will go towards paying for the music teacher who is teaching each **class on a Wednesday at the school. Thank you to Flo's Fryer for the fish and chips, Diana Smallbone our wonderful Bingo Caller and Emma Mackelden for organising the event.**

Summer Fair Poster

Design our Summer Fair poster! Entries need to be on either A5 or A5 with no **wording please, but do remember to put your child's name and class on the back.**

Please return poster designs to the school office by Friday 26th April.



Class Reps

Just a reminder of which PTFA members represent which class, just in case you are not sure who to speak to:

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| Reception | Talie Deer |
| Year 1 | Emma Mackelden |
| Year 2 | Jo Hockley |
| Year 3 | Sarah Southern |
| Year 4 | Sarah Boorer |
| Year 5 | Sally Weaver |
| Year 6 | Sophie Pemble |

Events and Funds Raised

There is a wide variety and vast number of events being arranged by the PTFA at the moment. There are also some exciting events in the pipeline! Currently all funds raised are being used to fund the music teacher who visits all year groups each week on a Wednesday, as well as new books for the school library. We will always keep you posted on what funds are spent on - there is also more information on this on the school website.

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Other upcoming PTFA events for your diary:

6th June, 3.15pm - Outdoor Disco



21st June - first non uniform day to support the Summer Fair. Please bring in a jar filled with anything you like, this can be sweeties, hair bands, pencils, mini rolls etc..

22nd June - Wine and Cheese evening at the Queens Head pub in Sutton Valence village. The evening starts at 7.30pm; tickets are £7 which includes a glass of house wine and cheese.



5th July - second non uniform day to support the Summer Fair. KS1 pupils, please bring in cake(s) for the cake stall. KS2 pupils, please bring in bottles for the bottle tombola.

6th July - Summer Fair

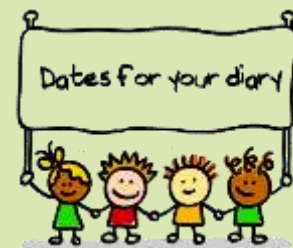
14th/15th September - Welcome Back Camping

Thank you for your continued support throughout the year!



Diary Dates

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| 4th April | Years R and 5 - share in pupil's learning, 2.30pm |
| 4th April | PTFA Easter Egg hunt on the school field at 3.15pm |
| 5th April | Last day of Term 4 |
| 22nd April | Bank holiday |
| 23rd April | Back to school, Term 5 |
| 26th April | Year 6 Residential meeting for parents, 3.30pm |
| 9th May | Drop In Thursday |
| 13th-16th May | Year 6 SATs |
| 17th May | TEDDY BEAR'S PICNIC  |



More dates are available on the school website.

Hopefully the sunshine will last the weekend - enjoy!

Miss Terry
Headteacher

THURSDAY
4th APRIL

3.15pm school field



Easter
EGG HUNT

Tickets £2 (includes chocolate egg)

Please can I have tickets

Child's name/s and class/.....

Siblings who do not attend the school are welcome to buy tickets

Please find enclosed: £.....

Please post in the PTA letterbox or office by 1st April

Please advise if your child has any dietary requirements/ allergies

COMPETITION

Design our summer fair poster

(please return to the office by Friday 26th April)

Entries on A4 or A5, with no wording please

PICTURE ONLY

Dont forget to put your name on it



Last years winning entry

WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT

Sat 22nd June @ 7.30pm

Queens Head pub (In the barn and courtyard)

£7 per ticket

(Includes glass of house
wine and cheese)

