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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## Year 4's Minstead Trip!



Year 4 were out and about exploring the New Forest last week. We started the Minstead trip with 4D on Tuesday and ended with 4R on Thursday. The children explored the New Forest, exploring mindfulness, identifying different plants and seeing how walking alters our heart rate. We then returned to the centre for lunch where we looked at sustainable packaging in our lunches and how we can correctly reuse, recycle or compost our rubbish. We finally ended our day at Minstead with a visit to the garden. In the garden, we tasted different plants and discussed how we thought they tasted. Then we ended our time in the garden with a visit to the chickens, where we were able to feed them.



**Ayush, 4R** - 'Minstead was a really exciting walk. James from Minstead Study Centre told us loads of interesting facts and we even got to taste some flowers and mangetout.'

Neve, 4R - 'I loved watching the horses and feeding the chickens. I had a really great time!'

Oliver, 4D – 'I liked the coach we went on because there was a lot of leg room, I also liked trying the different foods. My favourite was the pea pods.'

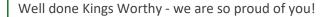
**Dexter, 4D –** 'I liked that we fed the chickens as I didn't expect them to be there and they were really cute and soft.'





#### **Dance Success**

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, the children from the Kings Worthy Integr8 dance class performed at a recent Dance Off show recently. Here is a picture of them in costume. They did absolutely brilliantly and were crowned the 'Most Magical' performance of the evening!





#### Art Week 2024

Look out early next week for our art week newsletter. I know many of you joined us in the Woodland Walk last Friday and will agree that there was so much fantastic art work produced across all year groups. We hope you enjoy reading all about what the children did.

## **Library**

Please note that the library will be **closed** from **Monday 1**<sup>st</sup> **July**. This is to allow a full audit and organisation of our library resources over the summer. Please can we ask that you have a look at home for any books that may belong to our library and return as soon as possible and at the latest by **Friday 5**<sup>th</sup> **July**. Book reminders will be sent out from **Tuesday 9**<sup>th</sup> **July**.

## **Outstandings**

Congratulations to Ena (1R), Olivia & Woody (3S), Penny (3H), Erin & Jonathan (5S) & Eliza (6S) who all celebrated 10 outstandings for 2023-24.



## **Summer Reading Challenge**

On Wednesday, Winchester Library visited the school and spoke to the children about this year's Summer Reading Challenge. This year's theme is 'Marvellous Makers', with a strong theme towards arts and creativity in many forms. You can learn a bit more about this year's theme here: <a href="https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/">https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/</a>

The challenge is open to all year groups. Children have the option of reading books themselves, listening to audio books or having books read to them – it all counts! Although we have asked children to return all school library books, they can still use their Sora online accounts to access books, magazines and audio books. At Winchester Library, children can also take out up to 20 items at any one time!



We would love to see all the medals that have been awarded in September. Happy Reading!

(written by Mrs Cowling)

## **Spelling Shed**

Well done again Year 4 – it's great to see the competition between the classes continue right to the end of the year. Well done to our individual leaders and a great effort this week from Ena in Year 1 with her debut entry on the leader board. Amazing effort – well done.

Happy Spelling!

#### <u>Classes</u>

1<sup>st</sup> Place – 4D 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 4R 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 2B

## **Individuals**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Oliver, Year 4
2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Vlad, Year 4
3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Ena, Year 1
(Written by Mrs Cowling)



## **Last Week of Clubs**

Don't forget that next week is the last week of school run clubs.

Drama continues until the performances.

# **Inset Days 2024-25**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

# **Last Day of Term Reminder**

Don't forget that the last day of term is *Friday 19*<sup>th</sup> *July* and all year groups should be collected at *1.15pm*.

## **Food Collection For The Carroll Centre And The Community Pantry**

Following on from your generous responses to our appeals, the House Captains would like to ask you to consider donating this summer!

The Pantries have asked for the following type of items, so that families can keep their families fed and entertained over the summer:

Pasta Ketchup/Mayo Beans

• Rice Squash Items for lunch boxes

• Noodles Long Life Milk Cereal

Pasta Sauce Coffee/Tea Jelly, angle delight, puddings!

Child friendly snacks, raisins, crackers, biscuits, cheese straws

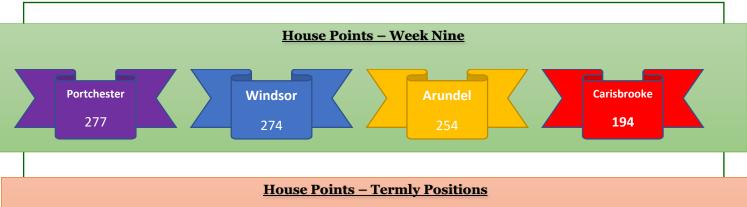
These items will be collected by the house captains each morning from the 8th-12th July so please hand any donations to your class teacher. Thank you Miss Miller

## **PTFA**

Preparations are well under way for the PTFA Summer fair on the 13th July. We are looking forward to a fun-filled family day. The **Toy Tombola** is always a really popular stall. We rely on toy donations for this stall to be a success. We are holding a **dress as you please day** on **Thursday 4th July.** We welcome you to bring in toy donations for the toy tombola on that morning.

(We will be collection bottles for the bottle tombola the following week and there will also be an opportunity to bring toys in the week also.)

We welcome new toys and nearly new toys in excellent condition.





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