



Newsletter - 24th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Wednesday this week year 2 had a visit from Koopa, a tortoise who is a Sulcata African Spur Thigh, which is native to Africa. He is a rescue Tortoise so his exact age is unknown but is thought to be around 17 years old. He is owned by one of our school families. Thank you so much for visiting Koopa!



Read with Me

This term we want to continue with our popular Read with Me sessions. This is a time when you can come into school and share a book with your child at the end of the day. It promotes a love of reading which we know all children benefit from. If you can not make these sessions don't worry as all staff are also on hand to read with children.

Parking and Safety

Please be considerate and think about safety of others when parking in the roads around the school. The gas works has made things even harder outside the schools at drop off and pick up. Please think before you park. Parking cars up on the kerbs often means that children have to walk into the road which is not safe. You can report unsafe parking via this link:
<https://www.chichester.gov.uk/reportaparkingproblem>
Let's help to keep all of our children and families safe.

Volunteering request - Southbourne Age Concern Lunch Club Volunteer cooks urgently needed. Join our team of volunteers who provide simple home cooked meals. Regular or occasional Wednesday mornings. 8.30/9.00am start. For further details or other volunteer roles please call 7547 813269 or ageconcernsouthbourne@gmail.com

Forest School—Thursdays

This half term Badgers Class and Owls Class are doing forest school sessions. Their last session will be Thursday 13th February. After February half term Squirrels Class and Hedgehogs Class will be having their sessions. Please ensure your child has waterproofs in school and is dressed appropriately for the weather. They will also need a pair of shoes to change as there is lots of mud out there at the moment!

We have nearly made it through January! Enjoy a lovely weekend and see you all on Monday.

Mrs Lucy Whiffin, Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

New dates added ...

January

Fri 31st January—Read with Me @ 2.50pm

February

Tues 11th February—Safer Internet Day

Fri 14th February—Last day of half term

Fri 14th February—PTA Valentines Bake Sale and

World Book Day costumes Sale @ 3.15pm

Mon 24th February—INSET DAY

Tues 25th February—First day back to school

March

Thurs 6th March—World Book Day

Thurs 6th March—Read with me @2.50pm

Tues 11th March—Class Photos

Weds 12th March—Parent Consultations

Thurs 13th March—Parent Consultations

Mon 24th March—Big Wheel and Walk

April

Fri 4th April—Last day of Spring Term

Mon 7th April to Fri 18th April—EASTER HOLIDAYS

Mon 21st April— Bank Holiday/Easter Monday

Tues 22nd April—First day back to school

May

Mon 5th May—BANK HOLIDAY

Fri 23rd May—Last day of Half term

Mon 26th—Fri 30th May HALF TERM

June

Mon 2nd June—INSET

Year 2 Transition visits to Juniors Start—Dates to follow

Tues 3rd June—First day back to school

Fri 13th June—Sports Afternoon @ 1.30—3.00pm

July

Weds 2nd July—Transition Day

Tues 22nd July—Last day of term.

NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please remember we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**, this is due to children with severe nut allergies. Please do not send any foods into school that contain nuts and read all food labels.

This also goes for junk modelling packaging sent into school, these should not be boxes that have contained nuts.