



# MPS Friday Flyer

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Date	Event /Activity	Details
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 school trip Year 1 & 3 PE today Street dance club KS1 Coding Club Netball club	Pulborough Brooks – see separate letter Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 - 4.30 3.30 - 4.30 – Mrs Griffiths classroom 3.30 – 4.30
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> March	MRC All Sing event Y3 Reception class PE today Woodwind lessons Year 4, 5 & 6 PE today Aspire football club all years Brilliant Bricks Parents Evening	Whole class involved – please bring a coat Don't forget your PE kit Don't forget your instruments Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 – 4.30 3.30 - 4.30 5 – 8pm – see separate letter
Weds 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 & Year 4 school trip Year 1, 2 & 5 PE today Aspire multisport club Rec-Y4	Weald & Downland Museum – see separate letter Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 - 4.30
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimming Y4 am Year 3 & 6 PE today Little woods forest schools Reception Big woods forest schools Y5 RV festival Dance club Parents Evening Friendship tea at church	Don't forget your kit Don't forget your kit Reception Group 1 (please wear kit and bring uniform) Year 5 group 2 - (please bring kit in) 3.30 - 4.30 - by invite only 4 – 7pm 3.15 – 5.00pm – some Y6 children involved
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> March <b>RED NOSE DAY - details below</b>	Piano lessons Big woods forest schools Y3 Sewing club - <b>**last one! **</b>	Don't forget your music Year 3 group 2 - (please bring kit in) 3.30 - 4.30 with Miss Hurrion
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> March <b>BC/ASC bookings open midday today</b>	Year 1 & 3 PE today Street dance club KS1 Coding Club Netball club <b>**last one!**</b>	Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 - 4.30 3.30 - 4.30 – Mrs Griffiths classroom 3.30 – 4.30
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Reception class PE today Woodwind lessons Year 4, 5 & 6 PE today Aspire football club all years Brilliant Bricks Governors meeting	Don't forget your PE kit Don't forget your instruments Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 – 4.30 3.30 - 4.30 Full Governing Body – 7pm at school
Weds 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 5 & 6 Viking day Year 1, 2 & 5 PE today	See separate letter – being held in school Don't forget your PE kit

	Aspire multisport club Rec-Y4 Y1 Phonics parents meeting	3.30 - 4.30 3.00 – 3.25pm – school hall
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Swimming Y4 am Year 3 & 6 PE today Little woods forest schools Reception Big woods forest schools Y5 RV festival Dance club Y1 Phonics parents meeting	Don't forget your kit Don't forget your kit Reception Group 1 (please wear kit and bring uniform) Year 5 group 2 - (please bring kit in) 3.30 - 4.30 - by invite only 3.30 – 4.00pm – year 1 classroom
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Piano lessons Big woods forest schools Y3 MRC Netball tournament Rother Valley Arts festival	Don't forget your music Year 3 group 2 - (please bring kit in) Year 5/6 involved – more info to follow MRC 7pm – MPS dance club involved

### Last week update:

Last Friday a team from Years 5 and 6 went to MRC to take part in a tag rugby festival. After some warm up games, they played mini matches against teams from other schools. This was not a competitive event, with the idea being to give primary school children the opportunity to play some friendly matches. The children were a credit to the school and played brilliantly with lots of passing and tries being scored. As ever, they showed great sportsmanship and Mrs Alden said it was an absolute pleasure to accompany them to the event. Well done team!



On Monday the Year 5 children had visitors in from Chichester District council who were running a '5 ways to well-being' day. The children were introduced to the 5 areas through lots of different activities including discussing emotions and drawing emoji faces, thinking about their senses and appreciating the world around them, being active and being aware of the impact of exercise on the body as well as discussing their own learning and sharing goals of things they would like to get better at. The class enjoyed being involved in something completely different and discussed how well-being is something we ALL need to function well in

life at ANY age! I have popped a poster at the bottom of the flyer to serve as a reminder to us all that we all need to look after ourselves and these 5 ways serve as a pretty good check for our own mental health and well-being. 😊

The remainder of the week has been pretty quiet apart from the snow that seemed to catch us all out on Wednesday. I have become so used to snow forecasts missing Midhurst completely that I was quite shocked to see a white world when I peered blearily out at 6am. As ever our team of staff were incredible, especially the Chichester crew who left home stoically and attempted nearly every nearby hill to make it to school. Everyone made it safe and sound albeit eventually!

Multiplication March is going strong and I have seen lots of times table squares being completed across the year groups and children busy practising on Times Tables Rock Stars. Please do encourage the children at home to learn their x tables – it's such an important skill and the more fluent the children are the easier maths will be as they move up through the school.

### **\*\*Parents evenings next week \*\***

Many thanks to those of you who have returned slips to book appointments for parents' evenings on Tuesday and Thursday next week. Teachers met together yesterday to do their best to link up appointments for siblings and slips should be returned to you today – so please look out for these in book bags. If you have not yet made an appointment please contact our lovely school office staff who will be happy to help you.



Year 1 parents – please look out for a letter giving further information about the meetings Miss Hurrion is offering regarding phonics.

**\*\*PLEASE READ - New Chartwells meal ordering system \*\***

You will have received a letter from Chartwells in your child's bookbag this week explaining that from **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April the school lunch ordering system is changing to ParentPay**, and that all parents, including those whose children are entitled to Free School Meals or Universal Infant Free School Meals, will need to order a specific meal for each day (under the current system our bursar orders the meals for UI/FSM). Each parent will need to set up a ParentPay account to do this, so please make sure you look out for the activation details which will be coming to you by email next week. You will be able to start booking meals for 24<sup>th</sup> April onwards as soon as your ParentPay account is set up. For those with children in KS2 who pay for school lunches, please continue ordering on West Sussex Meal Selector for lunches up to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April. **In case you missed it, the letter which went out this week is also attached again below.**

**Mother's Day**

Some of our lovely Year 1 children are reading their poems at the Mother's Day service at Midhurst Parish Church on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am. Huge thanks to families who are happy to attend and get involved – Beth is incredibly grateful. This service is open to all – see below for more details.

**Teachers industrial action – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> March**

At this moment in time I am not aware of any teachers intending to take industrial action next week. I will keep you informed if this changes, but meanwhile please assume no news is good news and bring your children into school as normal.

**Lost Property**

A reminder from the office team – we do have a lost property box near the school office that is checked regularly for any named items. However, if your child has lost any items in school we are always happy for you to pop in and check. The box is cleared at the end of each half term and we do end up with a LOT of clothing that isn't named. We also often have random items like water bottles too – it is always worth a look if your child has mislaid something.

**School uniform price increases**

We have been told this week by the company that supply our uniform that they are putting up their prices by £1 across all items. This is down to cost increases in their supply chain, which they now unfortunately are having to pass on to schools. Please don't hesitate to come and chat if you are struggling with uniform, we can usually find a way to help out.

**\*\* Breakfast/After school club bookings for NEXT half term\*\***

Please note that BC/ASC booking requests will open on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 12pm**. Please send requests for the summer term to our school bursar Helen Bond by email on – [bursar@midhurstprimary.co.uk](mailto:bursar@midhurstprimary.co.uk)

**Red Nose Day- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

This year's theme is bringing joy to the community! We encourage all children to come into school wearing red (home clothes) for £1. But, to bring extra smiles- we would like all children to display a joke on their clothing for people to read and enjoy! See below for additional activities and competitions:

**Cake competition:** cupcakes and/or larger cakes with a red theme. Winners will receive a prize.

**Joke competition:** Winners from each class will go through to the laugh off in assembly and the overall winner will receive a prize.

**Cake sale during the school day-** 50p per cake or slice

**Design a red nose character competition-** 50p per entry, prize for the winners!

**Class sponsored activities:** each class will be taking part in a sponsored activity (these will be sent home) and sponsorship money will be collected on the day. Activities will be celebrated in the assembly.







Fun in the woods with Y5 & Y3

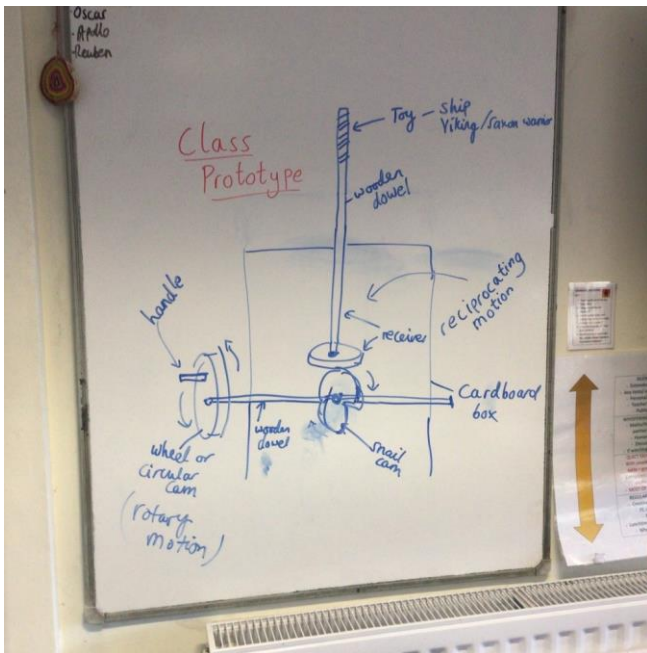
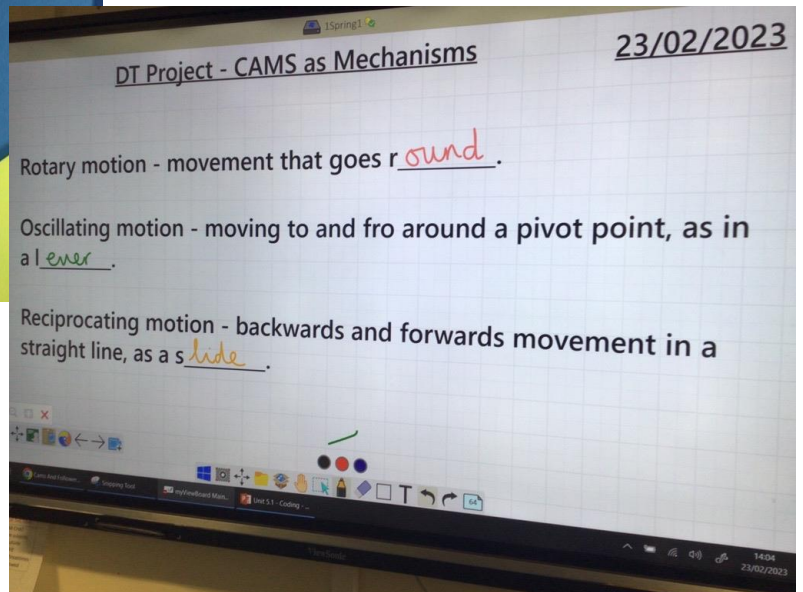


PLANKING in Year 6 PE lessons! Well done Mollie for holding the current record of 9 minutes 29 seconds!! Amazing!





## Year 5 Design & Technology



This term in DT, Year 5 have been studying mechanisms. We have explored cams in a variety of toys. We have also looked at different types of motion which a cam can produce. Expertly modelled here by Phoebe are reciprocating, oscillating and rotational motion. Our end aim is to transform a humble cardboard box into a moving toy utilising a cam's mechanism. After exploring the class prototype, less expertly drawn by Mr Ind! The children set off drawing, labelling and measuring their own product designs. We can't wait to see them come into fruition over the next couple of weeks. Great work, Year 5! :)

**\*\*Please read – new Chartwells ordering system! \*\***



## Newsletter / Website Announcement

### ParentPay - our new online payment service

We are pleased to announce that all Parents will now be able to select, book and pay securely (if required) for the exact meal options for their child.

To ensure a meal is available for your child, all lunches **including universal infant free school meals and free school meals** are to be ordered by midnight on Thursday, at least 10 days in advance of the week they are required.

### What are the benefits to parents & pupils?

- Pre booking via ParentPay and tablets at the service counter help us ensure your child gets the meal of your choice every day, even if they are the last in the queue
- ParentPay is easy-to-use and will offer you the freedom to make bookings and if required online payments using the highest internet security available whenever and wherever you choose
- Payments can be made by credit/debit card or also through PayPoint
- Full payment histories, balance alerts and statements are available to you securely online at anytime

**This will be starting on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 for meals starting 24<sup>th</sup> April**

### How to get started with ParentPay?

Your school will shortly send you account activation details. Once you receive these:

- Visit [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com)
- Enter your Activation username and password in the Account Login section of the homepage  
NB. These are for one-time use only, please choose your own username and password for future access during the activation process
- Provide all the necessary information and choose your new username and password for your account - registering your email address will enable us to send you receipts and reminders
- Once activation is complete you start to book meals





# 5 ways to wellbeing



Looking after your mental health is just as important as your physical health. Research by the New Economics Foundation has found there are five ways to look after your mental wellbeing:



Connecting with the people around us is a great way to remind ourselves that we're important and valued by others.

- Arrange to meet people regularly
- Reach out to someone
- Take time to get to know your neighbours



By regularly engaging in some form of exercise we can look after our mental and physical health at the same time.

- Go for a walk during your lunch break
- Walk to work
- Join a local sports club



Taking notice of our thoughts, emotions and surroundings is a great way to stay present and pay attention to our needs.

- Take up a mindful hobby e.g. knitting
- Write down three things you feel grateful for



Learning new things is a good way to meet new people and boost our self confidence, which in turn improves our mental health and wellbeing.

- Try out a new recipe
- Join a class or learn a new language
- Learn something new about the people around you



Research has found a link between doing good things and an increase in wellbeing.

- Try and do one kind thing every day
- Become a Health in Mind Hero by giving your time through volunteering/ fundraising



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**DATES FOR TEAS SPRING 2023:**

**16TH MARCH, 20TH APRIL,**

**18TH MAY**

**3.30PM - 5.00PM**

**MIDHURST PARISH CHURCH**



**SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

**10am – 12pm**

**50p  
Adult entry**



**Refreshments  
available**

**Children's  
clothes  
Puzzles & books  
Toys & games**

**Lamberts Lane  
Midhurst**



# Jungle animals Storytime

 Join us for some holiday fun  
with stories and a craft  
activity

**Suitable for children aged 4-8**

**Pre-booking is essential  
Please speak with staff to reserve a place**

**Parents and carers must remain with their child during  
this activity**

**Thursday 6th April  
10.30-11.30am**



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# Pavane Minuet Hornpipe Waltz Tango

**Sunday 19 March 3–4 pm  
Petersfield Festival Hall**

## **Family Concert**

*for families with  
children aged 4 – 11*

# Dancing through Time'

**SouthDowns Camerata**

*Director: Sara Deborah Timossi*

*with*

**Petersfield Academy of Dance**

**All Seats £5**



This project is part-funded through the  
IHDC Supporting Communities Fund  
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# EASTER FOOD CLUB

FREE



Join us for a fun-packed day of Easter-themed cooking and experiences for children aged 8 – 14.

## Petworth

Mon 3rd April, 11 - 3pm

## Littlehampton

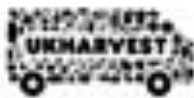
Weds 5th April, 11 - 3pm

## Bognor

Thurs 6th April, 11 - 3pm

## Selsey

Weds 12th April, 11 - 3pm



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