



# North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter

Spring 6

4th April

In this newsletter, find out about:

- **Mrs Gordon's message and school news**
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## **A Message from Mrs Gordon**



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have really been blessed with beautiful weather to end our Spring term- it's been lovely to see the children enjoying the sunshine and our OPAL come back to life as we extend our play space to The Fuzzies and the field. We have had a number of events that have made the end of term special for the pupils as well as lots of hard work as children complete assessments and units of work.

Last week started with our termly IRock assembly, the IRock pupils all showed off what they had been learning and performed with confidence and style. It was a great opportunity to see how their skills are developing as the pieces that they play get harder and more complex. Also in music, our Year 4 pupils have been learning to play the Djembe drums this term as

part of our music curriculum and our aim that every child will be able to play an instrument by the time they leave school. With Mrs Milne leading them, they performed several pieces and some exercises to an audience of parents and carers. I was very impressed with their skill, timing and ability- well done everyone!

### **School trips**

Last week Year 2 went to Selsey beach as a fitting end to their topic on coastline. They explored the beach and surrounding area, drawing, creating, playing and finding objects.

On Tuesday this week, year 5 went to Wicks strawberry farm. This was part of their Spring term topic 'From Field to Fork'. They found out about the growing conditions needed for the fruit and were given some delicious strawberries to bring back to school. A huge thank-you to Mrs Moore's husband who facilitated the visit.

YR also took a walk around the local area to look and listen for signs of spring- they were lucky with the weather and managed to find lots of things.

### **Sporting events**

The end of term has seen a culmination of sporting events including the County Cross Country Finals- Zeph, Freddie, Rosa, Leah and Emily all qualified for the event in Crawley last Thursday when they ran against the best in the county. A fantastic achievement- well done! Last week also saw our netball team come 3rd in the area finals. They played brilliantly as a team, improving with each game and ending with a really great result. On Wednesday, our 25 Year 5 and 6 runners completed the 3rd Corporate Challenge- our Boys' A team came 16 out of 46 teams and our girls' A team came 4th out of 46 teams. Mrs Ford and I were very proud of their achievement and especially the fact that they all ran in all 3 races. Full results can be seen [here](#). We have also sent groups of children to Y2 Cricket, Tri-golf and Quicksticks Hockey in the last 2 weeks. We are lucky to have such a lot of opportunities to take part in different types of sporting events. Thanks to Mr Tran and also to all of the parents who help with transport and make it possible to take part.

### **Bike Club**

We have been lucky that Mr and Mrs Barr have run bike club this half term. Many thanks to them for giving their time. Mr Barr says: *The children were brilliant and all improved skills in balance, braking, cornering and pedalling. We were particularly pleased with how well the bike mechanics went and how engaged the children were with this. We weren't too sure how this was going to go but it was really good! They have taken wheels off, fixed punctures, changed brake blocks and cables, and oiled chains.*

### **Easter Celebrations**

Despite Easter being another 2 weeks away, we have been thinking about the celebration as well as the true meaning of Easter. Last week we had a visit from our Open The Book friends

from the Baptist Church who retold the story of Jesus ' resurrection, we also had a out annual church service where Rev May talked about the importance of Easter for Christians and we read poems and sang about the coming of Spring. Thank-you to all the parents who have helped their pupils with Easter bonnets- we had an amazing selection which the school council judged today. Winners were Stanley, Bonnie, Sienna and Daisy-May. Their bonnets will be on display at Hobbycraft for the public to vote on so do have a look if you are in the shop.

A big thank-you to everyone who came to our singing event to support the choir and hear the lovely singing. This term we have a new PA system which Mrs Cross donated money for when she left at Christmas. I think you will agree that it made a big difference so we are very grateful for that. Thanks also to the PTA and Kestrels who organised and ran the cake sale this afternoon.

What a great start to the holidays!

Wishing everyone a lovely holiday and a very Happy Easter.

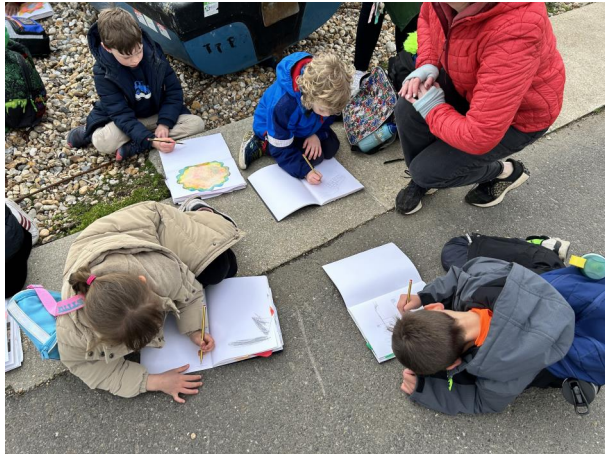
Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

Year 2 Trip to Selsey Beach



















Cross country Finals





Quicksticks Hockey







IRock concert











Great Fire of London- Year 1







Year 2 Cricket workshop











Year 5 visit to Wicks Farm









Year 4 Drum Workshop







Bike Club







Easter celebrations

















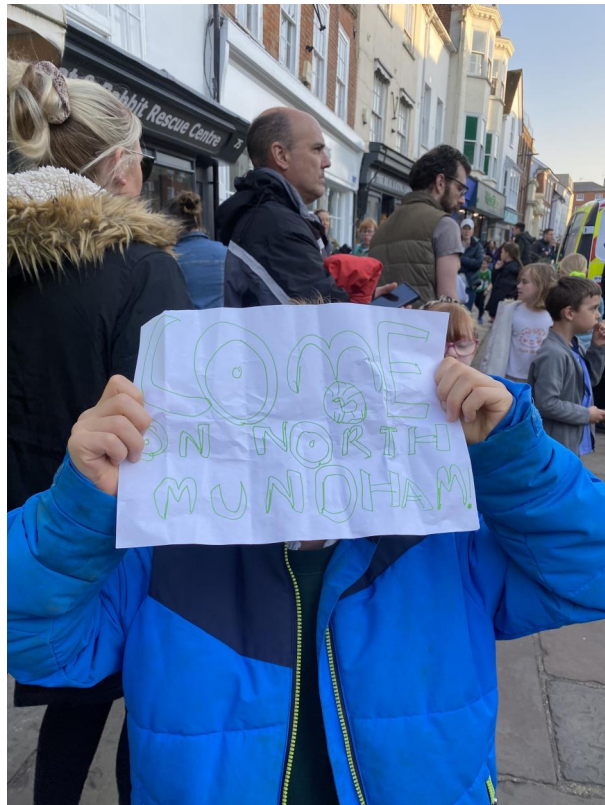


































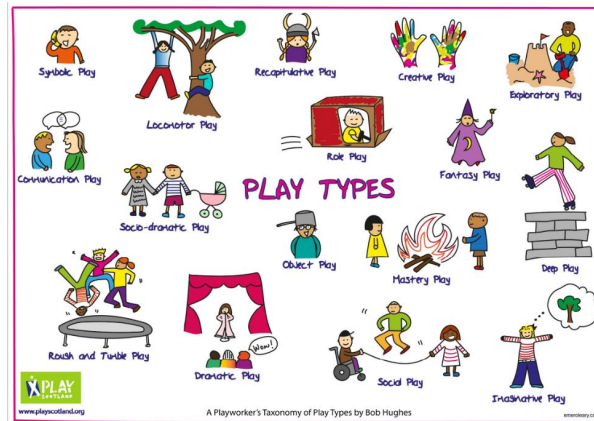
Other sporting achievements

## OPAL- Outside Play and Learning



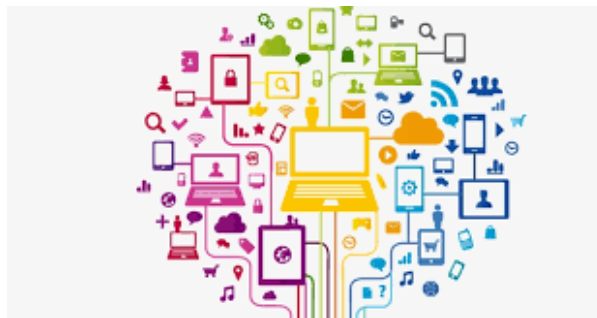
OPAL fun in the sun!





1 - We are always looking to develop the different play types and create new opportunities.

## Internet Safety



If you are worried about something online- maybe something that your child has accessed- the NSPCC can help. [This link](#) will give you more information.

## Notices and Reminders



### Walking Bus

We plan to have our first walking bus on Friday 25th April. Meet at Hunston Stores at 8.15 if you would like to use the 'bus'!

### School Reading Books



If you come across any school owned books in the holidays (especially the Read write Inc scheme) please return them when we come back after Easter.

### **Forest School Wednesdays**

Forest School will be for **YR and Y4** after Easter. Please ensure that children are in suitable clothes for the forest. They **MUST** have long sleeves and trousers (even if hot) and wellies or trainers. No open back or open toe shoes.

### **PE Days summer term**

YR- Monday and Friday

Y1- Tuesday and Wednesday

Y2- Monday and Tuesday

Y3- Tuesday and Thursday

Y4- Monday

Y5- Monday and Friday

Y6- Monday and Tuesday

### **School Uniform**

Please ensure that pupils return in correct uniform after the holidays and this includes black shoes.

### **PTA Smarties Challenge**

Your child will have brought home some Smarties (or similar yesterday) donated by the PTA. We are hoping that they will return the tube full of coins that they earn over the holidays for doing some chores around the home.

### **Attendance**

You should have received an email about your child's attendance for this year so far. It was great to see that so many children have attendance above 95%. Please ensure that you don't book holidays in term time or take your child out of school on unnecessary trips and visits. Every day missed affects their education and can have a long term impact on their life chance and well being.

### **Alice in Wonderland production- Year 3 and 4.**

This will be on Tuesday 29th April and Wednesday 29th April. Please complete [this form](#) to secure your seats. Mon 28th Dress rehearsal for under 5s to attend, at 2pm. Tues 29th Performance 2pm. Wed 30th Performance 6pm (please note that we expect all Y3&4 pupils to attend on this evening).

## Staff-led clubs

Information will be sent out about these in first week back and clubs will start in week beginning 6th May.

## Easter holiday activities and other flyers- see below

### Sunbeams preschool- job vacancy.

It's for a level 3 practitioner, 16 hours a week term time only. Hours next term will be Monday 8.30am-2pm, Thursday 12noon - 3pm and Friday 8.30am- 4pm. Please email Lisa on [sunbeams-supervisor@outlook.com](mailto:sunbeams-supervisor@outlook.com) for more information

Thank-you for your support in the matter above.

**JC SPORTS GYMNASTICS CLUB**

**GYMNASTICS CLUB £33**  
**THURSDAYS BSC 07:45 - 08:30**  
**£5.50 per session**

**North Mundham**

JC Sports is now offering a high-quality Gymnastics Before School Club for 5-11yrs at North Mundham Primary School. Starting on the W/C 24th February and running until the W/C 31st March.

This club will be open for all abilities.

Booking Link: <https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/west-sussex-jc-sports-north-mundham-gymnastics-club-chichester-e43ddc10-e586-4e1a-e111-1db01a2d9858>

 new park centre

# MY CHICHESTER

## ART COMPETITION

Calling all young artists, from 5-16 years old, New Park Centres Art Competition is now open. Express through art what makes Chichester special to YOU?

Draw, paint, or create your vision - whether it's your favourite place (the Cathedral, the canal, the market), a special person (a teacher, a friend, a grandparent), or something you love doing (skating, cricket, park runs, theatre trips).

We can't wait to see your amazing artwork! Entries need to be in by **Monday 22nd April 2025**.

**Why Enter the Childrens Art Contest?**

- ✓ Show Off Your Talent to Our Esteemed Judges
- ✓ Win Cool Prizes
- ✓ Be part of Chichesters Artistic Community

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## My Chichester Leaflet and Guidelines

All children whose artwork is chosen for display will receive a special invitation to the launch event on 17th May. During the morning we will celebrate their creativity, announce the winners and runnersup, and presented their exciting prizes!

Winners' and runners-up's artwork will be framed by Bond-a-frame and displayed at New Park Centre and featured in the Chichester Art Trail in May.



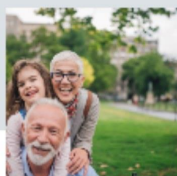


Help us celebrate 50 amazing years of New Park Centre by sharing your creative talents in our Golden Anniversary Art Competition!

Your artwork can reflect anything that makes Chichester special to you!

It could be a favourite place - maybe the bustling market, the peaceful canal, or the Cathedral. It might be a special person, like a grandparent, teacher, or friend who makes Chichester feel like home. Perhaps it's something you love doing here - skating at the park, watching cricket, doing the park run, visiting the theatre, or walking on the downs.

Big or small, your Chichester story is unique, and we can't wait to see it come to life in your art!



All children aged 5-16 in Chichester, with four age categories:

- Key Stage 1 (5-7 years old)
- Key Stage 2 (7-11 years old)
- Key Stage 3 (11-14 years old)
- Key Stage 4 (14-16 years old)

Winning pieces will be made into postcards for sale to support New Park Centre's future funding.



Exclusive tickets for a private screening at the Picture Palace for winners!

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## Size

Create an artwork on the theme My Chichester. Your piece should be no larger than A4 size (21cms x 29.7cms / 8.3" x 11.7") and made using any 2D medium you like. If you want to include a signature or date on the front, please make sure that it is 10cms clear of the edges

## Media

You can paint, draw, sketch, collage, use pastels, or even create something with fabric or knitting - as long as it's flat! Choose the materials that help bring your idea to life and have fun making your vision of My Chichester.

## Entry details

Make sure you write your name, age and contact details to be written on the back. Also indicate on the back if you would like to collect your artwork once the competition has been completed.

## Deadline

Submit your work by hand or post to: 'My Chichester', New Park Community Centre, New Park Road, Chichester, PO19 7XY by 5pm on Tuesday 22nd April.

Let your imagination shine! For more details, speak to your teacher or visit

[www.newparkcentre.org.uk](http://www.newparkcentre.org.uk)

We are delighted to announce that all artwork submitted will be judged by esteemed gallery owners Iolanda MartinHo and Candida Stevens, who both live in Chichester.



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Iolanda moved to Chichester with her family, drawn by its vibrant creative community and rich cultural heritage. She is the co-founder of AUGUST+CO, a gallery based in the Design Centre London that showcases fine craftsmanship. With a deep appreciation for craftsmanship and storytelling in design, she works closely with renowned artisans, including weaving artist Perrine Rousseau, and curates collections featuring Scottish-made textiles from Johnstons of Elgin, playful textiles and wallcoverings from mural artist Claire de Quenetai, and furniture from Maison Pouenat. Iolanda's expertise in design and passion for creativity make her a perfect judge for this exciting competition.

Candida is the founder of Candida Stevens Gallery, a space dedicated to showcasing exciting and thought-provoking art by some of Britain's most talented artists. She loves discovering and sharing artwork that tells stories, sparks ideas, and makes people see the world in new



ways. Her gallery presents exhibitions in both Chichester and London, celebrating creativity in all its forms.

With a background in art history and business, Candida has spent over 20 years working with artists, curating collections, and bringing ambitious art projects to life. She believes that art has the power to inspire, challenge, and bring joy. As a judge for My Chichester, she is excited to see how young artists express their ideas and creativity through their work.

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## Operating

**Dates** • Cricket/Kwick Cricket

**If you are looking for a treat, or for someone** • Tennis/Short Tennis • **Painting & Sticky Stuff** 4.15pm - 5.00pm (per day) **to entertain your child, Whizz Kids is the perfect opportunity** **FEB HALF TERM:** • Basketball • Play Dough Modelling £4.50 for children to really enjoy their school holidays. With fully **Sites 1, 2, 4, 5**

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**EASTER:**

**Sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 5**

**MAY HALF TERM:**



**Children's Holiday Activity Club**  
4-12 year olds

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**SPORTING ACTIVITIES**

**CREATIVE ACTIVITIES**

**Our Locations**



**TIMES & PRICES**

**EXTRAS**

**Sites 1, 2, 4, 5**

**SUMMER:**

**Sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 5**

- Rounders • Story Telling
- Mini Sports • Arts and Crafts



**OCTOBER HALF TERM:**

**CHRISTMAS:**







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- Team Games • Dance and Drama
- Adventure Playground • Treasure Hunts
- Field Activities • Themed Days
- Picnics

**Late Leavers +**

4:15pm - 6.00pm (per day)

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**£1.50 (per day)**

**Sickness & Flexibility**

**Insurance**

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# SPRING SWIM NEWSLETTER

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Westgate Leisure Centre

**Moved house? Changed contact details?**

Keep us updated so we can notify you of any changes in centre.

Please speak to one of our colleagues to update your details.

**Are you Summer Swim Ready?**


The school summer holidays will be upon us before we know it and hopefully, we can all spend some happy times in glorious weather at the beach or holiday pool.

The big question is your son or daughter Swim Ready?

Lots of people are working hard in the gym working on that summer ready body so now's the time to be working on being summer Swim ready as well.

Our award-winning swim scheme is perfect to teach your child the skills and confidence to be safe around the water


For more information, please contact [westgatema@everyoneactive.com](mailto:westgatema@everyoneactive.com)



**Swimmer of the Quarter!**

Each month we like to take the opportunity to reward a swimmer who has done well over the last few months. It maybe they have achieved something special or simply not stopped trying.

Could you be our next swimmer of the month?



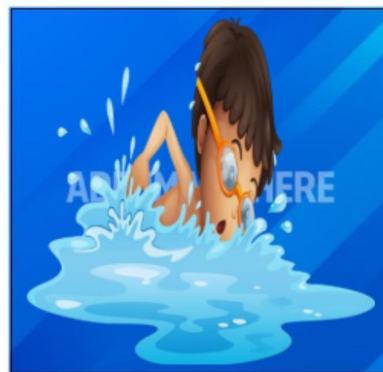
**Need to contact us?**

If you wish to discuss any swim lesson matters please contact our Swim Manager on [grahamgardiner@everyoneactive.com](mailto:grahamgardiner@everyoneactive.com)

Why Should my child learn to swim?

There are multiple reasons why learning to swim at a young age is important.

- 1) **Safety.** Each year approximately 400 people in the UK drown.
- 2) **Confidence.** Learning new skills from a young age embeds a sense of achievement.
- 3) **Social skills.** Being in a group all learning together helps foster and grow social interactions
- 4) **Opens future job opportunities.** Not being able to swim may prevent children following certain career paths such as Armed Forces, Police, Fire, Pilot
- 5) **Opens future sporting options.**
- 6) **Introduces a vital life skill.**



## Easter Crash Courses

Bookings are currently open for our fantastic crash course in the Easter holidays.

Whether you are looking to start your son or daughter on their swimming journey or looking for the push to the next stage then these courses are ideal for you.

Sessions are running in the Easter holidays

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April**

Stage 2 8am and 8.30am

Stage 3 8am

Stage 4 8.30am

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April**

Stage 2 8am and 8.30am

Stage 3 8am

Stage 4 8.30am

Bookings can be made at reception today on 01243 785651



## Sports Passport.

Sports Passport is an interactive system that joins teachers, parents and swimmers together

- Children can follow along and view their progress, play games and collect trophies.
- Parents can be more aware of what the children are working on in lessons.
- Teachers use tablets to track progress, take attendance and monitor all aspects of the Stage the swimmer is at.

To log on simply go to the Everyone Active Mobile App and click on "Courses and Lessons" then log in to your account to view.

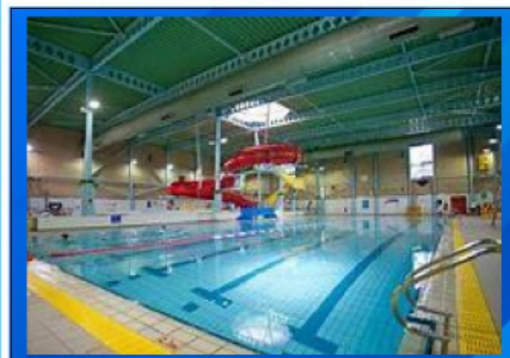
## Private Lessons.

Are you looking for something different with lessons?

We offer private lessons to all ages whether you are looking for them as a long-term alternative or simply a short-term aid to fix a problem.


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## Dates for the diary



### Summer Term

22nd April- return to school

29th and 30th April- Year 3 and 4 production\*



30th April- cricket tasters all day- all pupils to wear PE kit on that day (or bring PE kit if doing Forest School)

1st May YR class assembly at 9am - parents and carers welcome to watch

7th May- Y5 Bikeability\*

12th May Y6 SATs week

14th May- Y3 Bignor Roman Palace trip\*

16th May- Y5 canoeing day 1\*

17th May- Chichester Cormorants swimming gala\*

19th May- Y6 Bikeability

23rd May INSET

26th-30th May- Half term

2nd- 6th June- Chichester Week\*

6th June- Y5 Canoeing day 2\*

13th June- PTA summer event

18th-20th June Y4 camping

23rd-27th June- Y6 Cobnor

24th June- Year 2- Arundel

26th June- GAS sports' event at Boxgrove

2nd July- Transition Day\*

4th July- Arts' evening\*

8th July- Sports' day 1\*

9th July- Sports' Day 2\*

11th July- Choir Showcase evening

12th July- North Mundham Gala\*

14-16 July- Year 5/6 production\*

22nd July Year 6 Leavers' assembly- 9am

22nd July- break up.

3rd September- INSET Day

4th September- return to school

27th-31st October- half term

19th December- break up

### **INSET Days**

Friday 23rd May 2025

### **West Sussex Term dates 24-25**

Spring 2- 24th February (INSET)- 4th April

Summer 1- 22nd April- 23rd May (INSET)

Summer 2- 2nd June- 22nd July

West Sussex Term Dates 25-26

Autumn 1 Wed 3rd September (INSET)- 24th October

Autumn 2 3rd November- 19th December

Spring 1 5th January- 13th February

Spring 2- 23rd February- 27th March

Summer 1- 13th April- 22nd May

Summer 2 1st June- 22nd July

(Other INSET days to be confirmed)

### Contact Us



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