



North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter

Summer 2

16th May 2025

In this newsletter, find out about:

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- **Reminders and Notices**
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A Message from Mrs Gordon



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy couple of weeks at North Mundham! With so many activities, trips and sporting experiences, the start of the summer term has whizzed by. I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank-you to all parents and carers and the support that you give to your children and the school. Without your help we wouldn't be able to plan so many exciting opportunities- so thank-you.

Last week the year 5s had the opportunity to take part in Bikeability- they all passed their level 1 which means that they will be ready for level 2 next year in Year 6.

On Tuesday last week, a group of Year 3 and 4s went to The Regis to take part in a tennis workshop. Miss Hull was very proud of their efforts and participation in the games and activities.

Last Sunday a group of our Year 5 and 6 children ran in the Cocking Junior Trail Run. This was a new event for us and a new distance (3km) for our super runners. They all did incredibly well on a beautiful but very warm morning- we were incredibly proud of them all.

This week has been the turn of Year 6 to shine in their SATs tests. We are beyond proud of all the children and their resilience, attitude and dedication to doing their best. They started the day with a hearty breakfast (best part of the day for many of them!) prepared expertly by Mrs Moore and Mrs Munden. This tradition is a good way to make sure they have all started the day positively and is a good opportunity to take their minds off the tests.

Following the final test yesterday, the children have had a couple of celebration days which started with a class party and a surprise ice cream van visit and carried on today with more fun. A big thank-you to everyone at school who helped out - as always at North Mundham, it was a team effort.

On Wednesday Year 3 went to Bignor Roman Palace, as part of their topic on Romans, the children explored the palace and had several experiences to help them understand what life was like in Roman times. They came back full of excitement and wonder after their day.

Yesterday Year 1 spent the day in Victorian School. They were all dressed as Victorian children and looked fantastic, the classroom was somewhat changed and they coped well with the structure of the day. In the morning there was handwriting and arithmetic, followed by sewing for the girls and gardening for the boys- what a great experience!

Today Year 5 took part in the first of their two canoe days. They were very excited at the start of the day and were very lucky with the weather. Everyone who wanted to got a chance to try out their skills in the canoe and we were amazed at how their confidence did. A BBC journalist was there to film David and Helen Barr who set up Hunston Canoe Club 20 years ago. David and Helen have facilitated hundreds of children from North Mundham and the surrounding area to develop a love of canoeing. The piece will air on BBC South Today sometime in the next couple of weeks- we will let you know when.

Many thanks to everyone who came to the Book Fair this week and purchased books. We made over £800 which means that the school are able to have at least £300 worth of books for free.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

Cocking Junior Trail Run





Year 5 Bikeability





Year 3 and 4 tennis







Canoeing













End of SATs

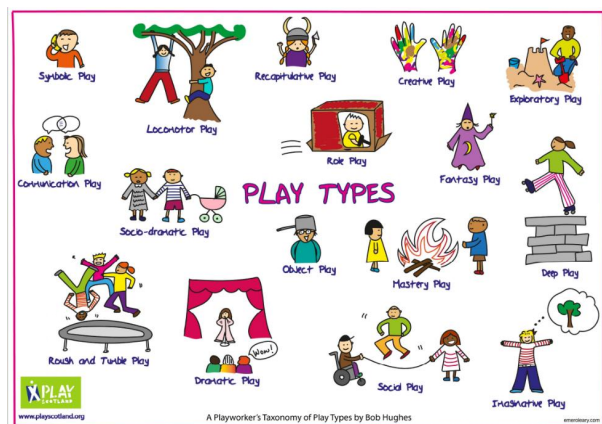
OPAL- Outside Play and Learning



What a fantastic start to the school term for our OPAL playtimes.







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

Internet Safety



Click [this link](#) to internet matters website and the 2025 report on Digital safety and Children's well being.

Notices and Reminders



INSET Day

Reminder that next Friday (23rd May) is INSET day for all pupils.

Year 6 Bikeability

Year 6 pupils need to bring their bikes and helmets to school on Monday (they can be stored safely until Thursday) for their bikeability training. They can wear PE kit all week.

Big Sing Choir

Choir members from Years 4, 5 and 6 are going to Parklands School to join other local schools in a Big Sing morning.

Pyjamrama

Reminder that all children can come to school wearing pyjamas in exchange for a pound that will go to the charity [Booktrust](#).

half term activities

See below for some fun local activities.

And an opportunity for budding archaeologists. <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/archaeology-south-east/tangmere>



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Food, Glorious Food!

Join us for some scrumptious stories to tantalise your tastebuds, plus some soup-er craft activities!



Thursday 29 May
10.00-11.00am

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

Booking essential – please speak with staff to reserve a place.
Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity.



South Transept, Chichester Cathedral

West Street, PO19 1PX

01243 777352

chichester.library@westsussex.gov.uk

Woodland candle making workshop

May half term holidays

Thursday 29th May

9:45am - 12:15pm



Lavant House Woods £20 adult £10 childBody

Www.chichesterforestschoools.com/bookings

Go Wild! May Half Term Forest School Activities!



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Chichester Forest
— SCHOOLS —

May Half Term 2025
Forest School Activities!

10–3
5–11yrs
Wed 28th May
Fri 30th May
£38 per session
info@chichesterforestschoools.com
01243 680270

 **Wed 28 May:**
Brandy Hole Copse ←

Fri 30 May:
Lavant House Woods → 

Dates for the diary



17th May- Chichester Cormorants swimming gala

19th May- Y6 Bikeability

19th May- Choir Big Sing at Parklands School

22nd May Pyjamarama

23rd May INSET

26th-30th May- Half term

2nd- 6th June- Chichester Week*

4th June- Year 6 Selsey Bike Ride

4th June- Ladybirds trip to Chichester

6th June- Y5 Canoeing day 2*

12th June- textile recycling – Little Recyclers

13th June- PTA summer event- Mundham Mudder- see separate PTA letter

18th-20th June Y4 camping

23rd-27th June- Y6 Cobnor

24th June- Year 2- Arundel Castle

26th June- GAS sports' event at Boxgrove

2nd July- Transition Day*

4th July- Arts' evening*

7th July- IRock assembly 9am (parents' welcome)

8th July- Sports' day 1- Y3/4 am and 5/6 pm

8th July- Drussilla's Y1 visit

9th July- Sports' Day 2- YR, 1 and 2am

9th July- Music Assembly (Emma Milne pupils) 2.30pm (parents welcome)

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)

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