

### North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter

Summer 5

#### 20th June 2025

In this newsletter, find out about:

- Mrs Gordon's message and school news
- OPAL updates
- Reminders and Notices
- Internet Safety
- Upcoming events

#### A Message from Mrs Gordon



Dear Parents and Carers,

#### **Year 6 Evacuee Day**

Year 6 had an amazing experience day last week. Dressing up as evacuees from WW2, they role played boarding a train, and being sent to live with different families. The children were fascinated to discover that the very classroom they were sitting in would have been home to some evacuated children during the war as they continued their schooling out of the cities.

It brought home the 'realness' of this time in history. The children wrote postcards home, full of empathy and they tried hard to capture the thoughts, feelings and language of war time. They also darned socks and learnt other skills of war time! It was a wonderful, inspiring and thought provoking day which the children loved.

#### **Year 4 Camping in Stedham**

For the second year running we took Year 4 to the amazing Midhurst Youth Trust campsite in Stedham. We were blessed with incredible weather and set off for the site on Wednesday with our intredpid campers. We had a really amazing time- walking, exploring, creating, playing, eating and generally having fun. The children were a credit to the school. They have made memories that they will cherish forever and many stayed away from home for the very first time so we were incredibly proud of them all. A huge thank-you to Miss Hull, Miss Moore, Mark Gordon, David and Helen Barr who all worked tirelessly to make it happen.

#### Year R go to the beach

On Monday Ladybirds went off on their second trip. As their topic this 1/2 term is the Seaside, they had great fun exploring the beach and area around West Park in Bognor. The children were all excellently behaved and did a variety of activities including sea art, sketching, paddling and exploring the park and gardens. They were buzzing with excitement about it on Tuesday.

#### The Mundham Mudder

Last Friday was our first ever Mundham Mudder. In place of a traditional Summer Fair, the children had the opportunity to race around a specially designed muddy and wet obstacle course. In their age groups, they had the opportunity to climb, crawl, dive and jump around the course. With some children managing an amazing 10 rounds, it was such a great event. Along with some of the traditional stalls we raised an amazing £1600! Thank-you so much to Mrs Ford and the PTA for organising the event.

#### **Little Recyclers**

Thank to everyone who sent in clothing etc to be recycled- we collected over 300Kg which raised £131- fantastic!

#### The cricket season begins....

Last week a group from Year 4 went to a cricket tournament at Eastergate. Having not played together before, they did amazingly well and were a very strong team. They came 2nd and made it through to the next stage of the event.

Year 5 and 6 girls made us incredibly proud last week when they attended a cricket tournament at Goodwood. Our team was up against other local schools, including Rose Green and Westbourne House, and the girls played in a 'pool' of teams. The girls made a

fantastic team, being victorious in all but one of these 'pool' matches, and showed strong team play, bowling and accuracy.

The girls then went on to beat the winning team in the other 'pool' ensuring their place at the final next month!

Well done to the fabulous team who showed skill, collaboration and resilience - an incredible achievement.

Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

Evacuee Day in Y6











Ladybirds go to the beach

















The Mundham Mudder





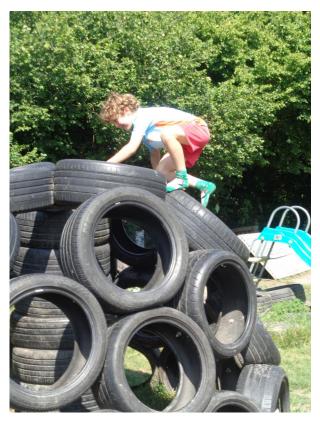


















Year 4 Camping at Stedham



























#### Cricket fun!







Year 5 Forest School













#### **OPAL- Outside Play and Learning**



All of our OPAL equipment and space came in very handy on Friday for the Mundham Mudder. It was great to see it put to such good use.

In this hot weather The Fuzzies have been a popular area to play as it is a bit cooler and there is lots of opportunity for fun and collaboration. How lucky we are!



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

#### **Internet Safety**



If your child has their own phone, you might want to have a look at <u>this toolkit</u> for talking to your child about phone use.

#### **Notices and Reminders**



#### **Year 2 Arundel Trip**

Next Tuesday Year 2 are off to Arundel castle- please consult previous letter for details.

#### **Year 6 Cobnor**

Next week is the Cobnor residential for our Year 6 pupils. Parents, please make sure that your child has all the correct clothing and equipment including a plentiful supply of sun cream and a hat. Please consult information pack for details.

#### **Transition Day- 2nd July**

On this day our Year 6 children will be heading to their new schools and all children in the school will spend sometime in the morning with their new teacher. This enables them to see their new class environment, get to know their new school adults and find out a bit about what life in that class will be like.

#### **Class Photos**

These will be on Tuesday 2nd July. Please ensure that children are in full school uniform for this day. PE kit (if needed) should be brought to school.

#### **Arts' Evening 4th July**

Don't forget that Friday 4th June is our Arts' Evening. This is a chance to come along and to admire all of the artwork that the children have been creating this year which will be displayed in the classrooms. There will also be performances of dance and singing as well as a performance from Dave Soothill and his band. Come along with a picnic and enjoy the summer (hopefully) evening from 6-8.

#### North Mundham Gala

Saturday 12th July is the date for the North Mundham gala this year. The children will have art work entered into competitions for their age group and are welcome to enter other categories as well. See below for a poster about the event or follow <a href="this link">this link</a> for more

information. This is a community event and will take place on the North Mundham Playing Fields.

#### **Skateboard Ramps**

The newly refurbished skate ramp in the Mundham Playing Fields can now be used. To celebrate this- children can take part in a skateboard workshop on Saturday 28th June. See poster below. We also have a workshop in school coming up for a few selected pupils.

Thank-you for your understanding and help in these matters



# Saturday 12th July 2025 2pm

North Mundham Village Centre PO20 1LA

## **Mundham & District Gala**

Flower, Produce, Arts & Craft Show Display of Classic & Historic Vehicles Dog Show

Stalls selling plants, produce, cakes
Children's entertainment from Nolan Davis
Ice creams, pizzas, teas & soft drinks, Pimms
Tombola, Raffle, Bouncy Castle
Children's Races
And much more....

Schedules with entry forms for the Show are available from local shops and garden centres and can be downloaded from www.mundhamgala.co.uk

#### Workshop with Teen author

#### westsussex.gov.uk

#### Kathy Evans



Join award winning author Kathryn Evans for a brand new character workshop where you'll learn how to create believable characters and make them really come alive in your stories! Kathryn has worked in BBC educational programming and is a popular speaker in schools and at festivals.

Tuesday 19 August 10.00-11.00am

Suitable for children aged 7-12 years

Tickets are free but pre-booking is essential.

Please speak with staff to reserve a place.



#### Dates for the diary



23rd-27th June- Y6 Cobnor

24th June- Year 2- Arundel Castle

26th June- GAS sports' event at Boxgrove

1st July- Class photos

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- Kites cake sale

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 25-26**

Wednesday 3rd September

(other dates to be confirmed)

#### **Summer Term 2**

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

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