



# North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter

Spring 5

20th March 2026

In this newsletter, find out about:

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



*1 - A Message from Mrs Gordon*

Dear Parents and Carers,

We started this week recognising neurodiversity celebration week in assembly and considering how there are some similarities that we can see and others that we can't. We talked about how important it is to consider people's differences and to recognise what they can bring to our lives. As always the pupils were reflective and expressive in their responses to discussions and questions.

We have had plenty of other things to celebrate over the last fortnight. Last Monday Mrs Ford, Miss Hull and I took a group of amazing dancers to the Dancehouse performance at the Worthing Pavilion Theatre. Their dance was based on evacuees during the second world war. Starting with an exploration of the feelings of these children and finishing with a celebration lindy hop style dance. They were fantastic and we were incredibly proud of their energy, enthusiasm and support for each other. Today they had the opportunity to share their dance again at St Philip Howard school in Barnham. Once again the girls made us very proud.

Our second corporate challenge race took place last Wednesday, pupils ran incredibly well in great conditions in the 100th race of the corporate challenge series. The atmosphere was

really exciting and busy in Chichester and we look forward to the final race next week and our final place in the series.

On Tuesday this week our netball team went to the area finals having qualified two weeks ago. They were amazing in their resilience and skill and they did very well, winning the tournament and progressing to the county finals in April.

On Wednesday the children in year one took part in their very own reconstruction of The Great Fire of London. Organised and supervised by Mr Orchard and Miss Guppy, this was a really good way to see how quickly fire spreads and understand this significant event in London's history.

Thanks very much to all parents who attended Parents' Consultation evenings. It was great to see how well attended they were, hopefully you found them a useful way to connect with your child's teacher and find out how they are progressing. I would like to extend my thanks to all of the teachers for their time and preparation for these meetings.

Year 4 have been learning Ukelele this term and have done amazingly well. They have a chance to show off their skills to parents next Wednesday but this week they had an impromptu concert in front of an audience at the village hall. They played so well and really wowed the crowd who would like to collaborate more in the future.

As we move into the last week of the term, we can reflect on another busy term and look forward to the activities and events- see below for a list of dates (more will be added after Easter).

Wishing everyone a really lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

Dancehouse and Dance event at St Philip Howard













Netball Finals





The Great Fire of London

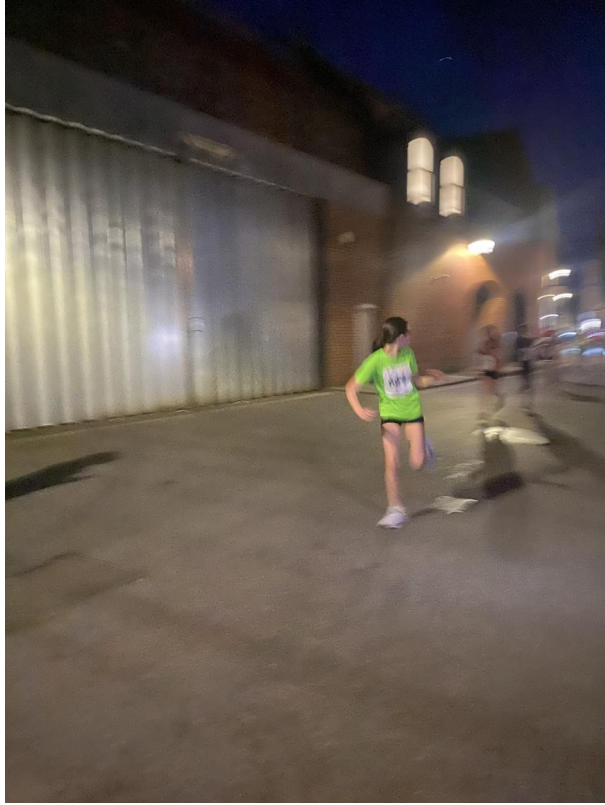








Corporate Challenge race 2





Year 4 ukelele fun





## Online Safety



Work together with your child on your knowledge of online safety with this quiz:

[Online safety quiz | NSPCC](#)

## Notices and Reminders



**Coming up..**

**Quiz Night**

We look forward to seeing you later at the PTA Quiz Night. Good luck to all the teams- hope you have been revising!

### **Corporate Challenge**

The final Corporate Challenge race is next Wednesday 25th March. We will once again meet at Boots opticians at 6pm. Children should be in their yellow t-shirts with their number attached (we will have spare pins).

### **iRock Assembly**

Parents of iRock pupils are welcome to attend a sharing assembly on Monday 23rd March at 9am.

### **Year 3 and 4 BFG Chichester Theatre Day**

Reminder that Years 3 and 4 are going to Chichester Festival Theatre on Tuesday 24th March. Pupils walking with staff should be in school at usual time and those being transported to the theatre should be there to meet up by 10am.

### **Year 5 and 6 Cricket Tuesday 24th March**

Parents should be aware of the details for this- please see the school office if you have questions.

### **Year 4 Ukelele Concert and Camping trip meeting**

All year 4 parents and carers are welcome to attend the ukelele concert. This will start at 2.15 (slightly earlier than previously stated). The children are doing so well and really looking forward to sharing with you.

### **Swimming Gala 25th March**

Parents should be aware of the details of this- please see the school office or Mr Tran if you have any questions.

### **Easter Church service 26th March**

We will be leaving school at 9am to go to the church. The service will be from 9.30-10 (approx). Parents and carers are welcome. If you are able to walk with your child's class, please let the office or your child's class teacher know.

### **Kites' Cake sale 26th March**

Next Thursday is the turn of Kites to provide cakes for the Easter/Spring themed cake sale. Please ensure that ingredients are listed. Cakes should be brought into school on the morning of the 26th- either to the school office or to your child's teacher. Many thanks in advance.

### **Grub Club**

Don't forget to bring your bags along to pick up next Wednesday for the last Grub Club of the term.

### **Table Top Sale**

See attached poster for information about a Table Top sale on Saturday 2nd May. If you are interested in booking a table to sell items please email [gnaasmth21@gmail.com](mailto:gnaasmth21@gmail.com) (please note this is an amended email address to the one in the bulletin last week). This is a community event taking place at North Mundham Village Hall and proceeds will go to the school.

### **Bags2School**

Date-

### **The Three Little Pigs: Year 3 and 4 Performances**

Years 3 and 4 have been busy rehearsing and are looking forward to performing on 22nd and 23rd April. Performances will be on 22nd at 2pm and 23rd at 6pm. Preschool children and babies will not be permitted to these performances. If you are unable to attend these performances due to childcare of preschool children, you may attend the dress rehearsal on 21st April at 2pm. However, places at this performance will be limited so please ask at the office. For the other performances, please complete [this form](#).

### **PINs end of project survey**

Please see below for QR code link to a new PINs survey. We are grateful that many of you completed the initial survey and it would be great if you could take a minute to take the end of project survey.

### **Events and flyers- see below for the following:**

New recorder lessons

Boat trips in Chichester harbour

Cobnor activity days

RYA training

Chichester Food bank

### **Summer term Dates**

Summer term dates have been added below. Please note that more may be added.

Please see below for flyers for activities going on in the local community.

**Thank-you for your understanding and co-operation in these matters**

WSPCF PINS Parent

Carer Survey - End 2026

West Sussex Parent Carer Forum and The Autism and  
Social Communication Team have been working on the



Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools Project (PINS) in your child's school. Whilst PINS focuses on neurodiversity, we welcome responses from all parent carers, as the project aims to strengthen inclusion across the whole school community.

Many of you filled in our survey at the beginning of the project and we would be grateful if you could do it again now as this helps us to measure the impact of the work we have done. You do not need to have filled in the survey the first time to do it now.

[To complete this survey](#)

[Click HERE or scan the QR code](#)

## Dates for the diary



### Dates

**23rd March iRock assembly 9am**

**24th March- Year 3 and 4 to Chichester Festival Theatre to see BFG**

**25th March- Year 4 ukelele concert and camping trip meeting 2.15pm**

**25th March- Corporate Challenge 2**

**26th March- Easter church service**

**26th March- Kites cake sale**

**27th March - NHS Healthy Child screening programme**

**27th March- break up for Easter**

**13th April Return to school**

**17th April Y6 to Junior Citizen event at Goodwood**

**21st April Three Little Pigs dress rehearsal**

**21st April- Y1 Alien Day**

**22nd April Three Little Pigs performance 2pm**

**22nd April Grub club**

**23rd April Three Little Pigs performance 6pm**

**23rd April Netball final am**

**28th April Year 2 Sports' skills festival**

**28th April Year 5 to Wicks Farm**

**2nd May Table Top Sale**

**6th May Grub Club**

**9th May Chichester Cormorants swimming gala**

**11th-14th May SATs week**

**15th May Y5 Canoeing 1**

**19th May Quad kids athletics**

**20th May Grub Club**

**21st May break up half term**

**22nd May INSET**

**25th- 29th May- Half term**

**4th June Y4 Multiplication Check**

**4th June New YR Parents' welcome evening**

**5th June Y5 Canoeing 2**

**5th June PTA summer event**

**10th June Grub Club**

**10th June- 12th June Y4 Camping Trip**

**11th June Y1 Victorian Day**

**15th to 19th June Y6 to Cobnor**

**22nd June- Y5 and 6 Cricket Eastergate**

**24th June Grub Club**

**24th June Whole school photo**

**26th June Arts' Evening**

**30th June Sports' Day years 3 and 4 am, years 5 and 6 pm**

**1st July Sports' Day Years R, 1 and 2 am**

**4th July Mundham Gala**

**6-9th July Meet the new teacher meetings (TBC)**

**8th July Grub Club**

**9th July New YR parents' workshop**

**10th July Eagles Cake sale**

**13th July Year 5 and 6 show dress rehearsal**

**14th July Year 5 and 6 performance 2pm**

**15th July Year 5 and 6 performance 6pm**

**16th July Y1 trip to Drusillas**

**22nd July Y6 Leavers' Assembly**

22nd May INSET day

**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 Feb (INSET)- 27th March

Summer 1- 13th April- 22nd May (INSET)

Summer 2-1st June- 22nd July

\*More details to follow

More dates will be added- this is not a definitive list.



**cobnor**  
ACTIVITIES CENTRE TRUST

## EASTER HOLIDAY HAF MULTI-ACTIVITY DAYS

Join us this Easter at Cobnor Activities Centre Trust for a fun-filled, action packed camp where children stay active, make friends, and learn the foundations of healthy living!

**Who is it for?**

Free to children aged 8-14 in receipt of benefit related free school meals - fully funded by the HAF programme ✓

**What will they get up to?**

Land and water activities - encouraging an active lifestyle ✓  
Food education - encouraging healthier decisions with meals ✓

**What are the details?**

7<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
09:30 - 16:30  
Cobnor Activities Centre Trust

Book now: <https://haf.bookinglab.co.uk/westsussex/37147/login> For more info: [sail@cobnor.com](mailto:sail@cobnor.com) 01243572791

## Important updates about Chichester District Foodbank's Kids Lunch Packs scheme



We wanted to share an update with you about some changes at Chichester District Foodbank and, most importantly, to reassure you that support is still very much available for families who need it.

The Kids Lunch Packs scheme will no longer continue in its current form. However, families can still access emergency food support through the Foodbank's main service. This offers greater flexibility and a wider range of help, and is available throughout the year, not just during school holidays.

### What support is available?

#### Chichester District Foodbank's emergency food parcels provide:

- ✓ Support all year round
- ✓ Collection from their Chichester foodbank centre three times a week, or from Selsey Methodist Church once a week. Delivery for residents in Midhurst and Petworth
- ✓ Three days' worth of emergency food for the whole family, not just school-aged children
- ✓ Access to additional essential items when needed, such as nappies, hygiene products, and pet food

## How to access food support

To receive a food parcel, a referral is needed. You can get one:

- **Through the school by contacting [school to insert contact details, e.g. name/email/phone], or**
- **By calling:**
  - **Chichester District Council:** 01243 785166
  - **Citizens Advice:** 0808 208 2138

## The foodbank's commitment

Chichester District Foodbank remains committed to supporting anyone facing an immediate crisis. Alongside emergency food, they can also help connect you with other services that may offer longer-term support.

If you have any questions or would like to speak to the foodbank directly, please don't hesitate to get in touch:

**Email:** [info@chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk)

**Phone:** 01243 7746787

Please reach out if you need support, their friendly team is here to help.

## Easter 2026 boat trips



# Join us for one of our special Easter boat trips in Chichester Harbour

Kids  
tickets  
starting  
from just  
£5!

Harbour Discovery 

Guided tour of our special harbour, departing Itchenor.

Easter Special 

Easter hunt, spring activities & a chocolate treat for all.

Seal Safari 

Three-hour trip to visit our special seals (age 8+).

Birds Ahoy! 

Meet the special birds of Chichester Harbour - all ages

All aboard 'Solar Heritage' our solar-powered, eco-friendly tour boat



[www.boattripschichesterharbour.co.uk](http://www.boattripschichesterharbour.co.uk)



Gift vouchers and private hire available



Join us for junior training during the Easter holidays!

**RYA Stage Training**  
 RYA Stages in Teras – 1st and 2nd April – Spaces Available  
 RYA Stages in Teras – 9th and 10th – Spaces Available  
 RYA Stages in Teras – 15th and 16th April – Spaces Available

**Class Training**  
 420 Class Training – 1st and 2nd April – Sold Out  
 RS Feva Class Training – 8th – 10th April – Few Spaces Available  
 Mirror Class Training – 8th – 10th April – Spaces Available

Training usually takes place between 9:30–4:30,  
 in small groups with our highly experienced coaches.

Book here: <https://www.itchenorsc.co.uk/booking/type/RYA%20Training>

For more information contact our sailing team at:  
[sailing@itchenorsailingclub.co.uk](mailto:sailing@itchenorsailingclub.co.uk)  
 01243512400 (ext 2)



NEW!



## RECORDER GROUP

### Starting Summer Term 2026

Start your child's musical journey with fun  
 and engaging lessons. Open to all ages.

*In 1 term: Improve co-ordination, how to keep a steady pulse, learn rhythms, breath control, correct posture and learn lots of fun pieces!*

Skills transferable to all other instruments after the first term. Continuation easily onto piano/jsax/clarinet/flute.

Lessons take place within the normal school day.

Programmes culminates with a performance in the end of year music concert in school.

**\*Special Offer\*** for Term 1 - £99 for the whole term

Simply sign up here:

<https://emmamilnemusic.mymusicstaff.com/Sign-Up-For-Lessons->

Or for more details, please email

[emmamilnemusic@hotmail.com](mailto:emmamilnemusic@hotmail.com)



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