



ROCK CHALLENGE WINNERS!

We are thrilled to announce that our Year 4 and 5 children placed 1st at the Southern J Rock Final last Wednesday 25th April to become the overall Southern J Rock Champions!. After winning the regionals in Southampton, Wellow children qualified to compete in the final held at Portsmouth along with 11 other schools. Earlier in the day all the schools' had to draw lots to establish the order of the evenings performances – Wellow drew first so had the huge responsibility of opening the show. The children rose to the challenge and opened the final with a superb performance, full of energy and colour, they brought the stage to life!



It was a long but superb day supported by all involved and after several hours of performances the results were in! **Wellow placed 1st overall!!!** An amazing result for our school! We won many awards on the night including 'Award of Excellence for Choreography', 'Award of Excellence for



Entertainment' and 'Award of Excellence for Set Design and Function' plus many more. We are immensely proud of all the children involved in this year's Rock Challenge and would like to thank all the parents for supporting their children throughout this wonderful experience. Well done Wellow, another truly magnificent performance! We wouldn't be able to take part in an event like this without the huge commitment and support of our staff and parents – thank you so much to everyone involved.



Cricket Coaching Year 1 & 2

The Year 1 and 2 classes had their first cricket coaching session last Thursday. This was delivered by James Hibberd, a coach from Hampshire Cricket. The children will have a cricket coaching session every Thursday afternoon until half term, where they will learn cricket skills and learn how to play games.



Quicksticks Hockey

Well done to our brilliant hockey team, who took part in the 'Quicksticks' competition at Mountbatten School last Friday. In sweltering conditions, the team played with skill and determination. They won 3 and drew 1 of the seven games they played, coming 5th overall. Congratulations to all of you!

Reminder – School Closed – May Bank Holiday Monday 7th May



Reminder – Year 4 Minstead Parents Meeting

A reminder that there will be a parents meeting for the Year 4 Minstead Residential on **Wednesday 9th May** in the Year 4 classroom. Thank you.

Walk to School Week Monday 21st May – 24th May



Monday 15th to Thursday 24th May is this year's Walk to School Week! A letter will be sent home in book bags next week detailing the scheme together with a sticker card - please sign the sticker card book and return it to school by Monday morning (21st May) so the teacher can issue stickers for each day your child walks to school. A certificate will be presented to each child at the end of the week. Whilst we appreciate it may not be

possible for all parents to walk to school we would like to encourage all parents to park and stride – park safely away from the school and walk the remaining distance. As well as promoting the health and environmental benefits of walking to school, this is a good opportunity to discuss key road safety messages.

Thank you to Mrs Harris

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Harris, one of our class volunteers, who has been coming into school to tidy up our borders and courtyard area and planting seeds with the children in the kitchen garden. The school grounds are coming into full bloom now that summer is on the way and they are looking beautiful!

Pre-school Preparations

Work is underway in various parts of the school in preparation for the Wellow School Pre-School which will open in September. Alterations in the Art and DT room have started this week to convert it back to a classroom for Year 6; the area outside this room is being redecorated, and a new kitchen area for the After School Club is being created in the old resource room opposite the library. As the work progresses, we will update you, together with photos.



Tennis Coaching

Last Friday Martin Terrill from Absolute Tennis visited our school to give all our children a chance to experience tennis.

Absolute Tennis is based at The Mountbatten School in Romsey and offers an extensive junior and adult program. If either yourself or your children wish to start playing contact Martin for more information email martin@absolutetennis.co.uk, call 07801 056905 or visit www.absolutetennis.co.uk

WSA NEWS

Royal Wedding Cake Sale - Monday 21st May - Wear Red, White and Blue and Cake Sale at 3.15pm

In celebration of the Wedding of Prince Harry to Meghan Markel the WSA are holding a British themed Cake Sale. All children are invited to attend school in dress down clothes with the theme of wearing something red, white and blue on Monday 21st May in exchange for cake donations for the cake sale. Please bring your baked or bought cake donations into school on the morning of 21st May for the WSA to sell after school at 3.15pm. Thank you for your continued support.

Letters Home



What	Who	When
Paultons Park trip	Year 6	20 th April
Year 3&4 Football Festival	Year 3&4 (selected children)	23 rd April
Testwood Lakes Trip	Year 1	26 th April



INSET DAYS – Friday 25th May & Monday 23rd July 2018

Calendar Dates		
May		
4 th	1.30pm-4.00pm	Football Festival Years 3&4 at Mountbatten School (selected children)
7 th		Bank Holiday – School Closed
9 th	3.15pm	Year 4 Minstead Parents Meeting
14 th – 17 th		Year 6 SATs week
16 th -18 th		Year 5 Fairthorne Residential
17 th	1.00pm	KS1 Change for Life Festival
18 th	All day	Year 1 Testwood Lakes Trip
18 th	All day	Year 6 to Paultons Park – Fairground Topic
18 th	1.00pm-4.00pm	Year 3&4 Tennis at Mountbatten (tbc)
21 st		WSA Royal Wedding Cake Sale – Wear Red, White and Blue Day (dress down day)
21 st -24 th		Walk to School Week
24 th	1.30pm-4.00pm	Change 4 Life Festival Years 1&2 (selected children)
25 th		INSET DAY – School Closed
28 th -1 st		Half Term
June		
4 th	8.35am	First day of term
7 th	All day	Year 2 Lepe Beach Trip
7 th	1.00pm-4.00pm	Quad kids Year 5&6 (selected children) at Mountbatten School
7 th	3.15pm	Year 3 Calshot Residential Meeting for Parents
11 th – 13 th		Year 4 Minstead Residential
15 th	1.30pm-4.00pm	High Fives Netball Year 3&4 (Selected Children)
20 th	All day	Year 1 to Milestones Museum
21 st	11.00am-4.00pm	Dance Festival Years 1&2 (selected children) at Mountbatten School
22 nd	12.00pm-4.00pm	Cricket Festival Year 5&6 (selected children) at Mountbatten School
28 th	1.00pm	Year 3&4 Tennis (Selected Children)
29 th	1.00pm	Sports Day
July		



2 nd – 3 rd		Year 3 Calshot Residential
5 th	1.00pm-4.00pm	Year 3 & 4 Change for Life Festival
6 th		Year 2 Camping Night
12 th	9.00am	Inter-House Matches KS2
13 th	1.30pm-4.00pm	Rounders Festival Years 5&6 (Selected Children) at Mountbatten School
20 th		Last day of term
23 rd		INSET DAY – School Closed