

# CONIFERS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carers,

I feel as if I'm becoming obsessed with the weather – as in, it's sunny, it's cloudy, it's warm, it's cold..... Interestingly, when I look back to my Newsletter for this time last year, I was moaning about the same thing!

It's been a busy time at school – as it always is; with Year 4 visiting the Dorchester Museum (I'll let those members of staff do the talking), our very own 'Open House' (it's always a pleasure to welcome you into the school), the Easter Bonnet Parade (there were some truly amazing hats on that day) and I have to throw a salute to yourselves as parents and carers, as I know from experience, the hours spent on glueing and sticking to make such incredible headwear. We had our Inter-House Easter Dash – and various other school Sporting events, played at different venues, Red Nose Day slash Talent Competition, the courage our children demonstrate by standing up in front of the entire school and performing is amazing and Yr 2 spending a day at Farmer Palmers! Much more can be read about some of these events further down.

I like to extend a huge THANK YOU to our PTA, who once again staged their Easter Bingo extravaganza, which was as popular as ever, drawing large crowds of adults and children keen to get that line filled, or go for a full house! If you were one of the lucky winners – good for you – and thank you for your participation.

I'd like to extend a heart-felt thank you for your generosity in donating so many 'colour coded goodies' for our Easter Rainbow Raffle and additionally, I'd like to thank you all for your diligence in respect of ensuring, as far as one can, that the items brought in adhered to our position as maintaining a Nut Free school.

Already looking ahead after the Easter break - we have our Parent's Evening Consultations. Once again, and following feedback from our previous meetings, we have arranged the format to mix the 'virtual' with 'face to face' meetings, in order to satisfy, as well as we can, parental wishes for those who wish to meet 'in the flesh' and offer a degree of flexibility to those parent/carers who prefer the ease of an online discussion, whilst juggling a busy home and work life. Please remember that we do have an 'open door' policy, so if you have anything you wish to share with us, feel free to contact the school.



Finally – we say welcome back to Mrs Tharme, who returns to the fold following her Maternity leave and takes up her role as Year 1 teacher, working alongside Miss Treweek. We're excited to have her back, and I know the children will be equally as pleased to see her.

I hope you all have a wonderful Easter and thank you as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards



Mr Andrew Johnson  
Headteacher



## Falmer Palmers Trip for Year 1

Year 1 had a great day at Farmer Palmers. The children were exceptionally well behaved- they were a credit to the school. We had the opportunity to hold guinea pigs, hand feed goats and bottle feed baby goats which they all thoroughly enjoyed, especially the adults! We then watched the pig racing, followed by watching a cow being milked. We even managed to squeeze in a woodland walk where we spotted some dinosaurs along the way.



And, of course, we spent some time in the play area upon the children's request.



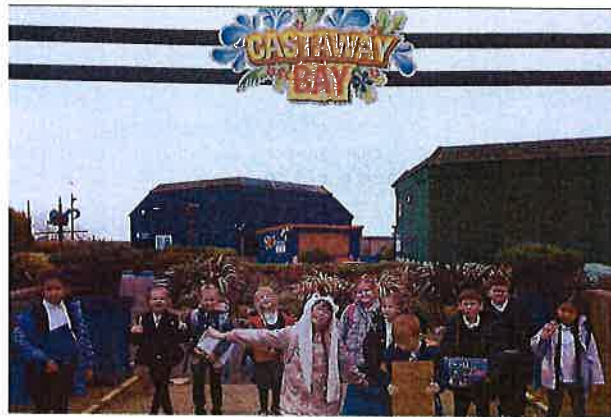
## Maple Class Impact Day.

Year 2 started the term with an Impact Day for our My World geography topic; they had a great day. The children came to school dressed up to represent a country of their choice. They introduced their country and shared a fact about that country with the class - some of them were really interesting! Did you know that France gifted the Statue of Liberty to America? We tasted and evaluated different foods from around the world. Some of the children were really surprised at what they liked, and they were really grown up at 'trying' foods which they didn't like the look of. The children learnt about the 7 continents and created their own world maps and put the continents on it accordingly. In the afternoon the children played some games from other countries. Great work Year 2!



## Sealife Centre Trip for Year 2

Year 2 had a brilliant time at the Sealife Centre, linking to their Oceans and Islands Topic. They particularly enjoyed seeing the seals and otters getting fed!

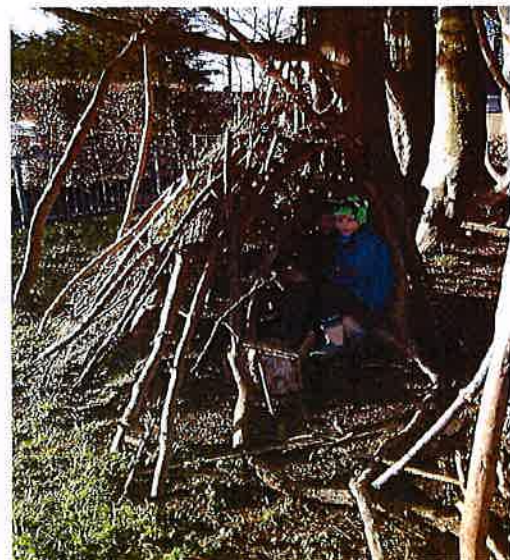


## Forest School update

Winter is always a challenging time of year to be outdoors and with our recent weather, it has been a test for us all!

The children of Sycamore and Pine have risen to the challenge, however. Each week, they arrive decked out in the latest waterproof fashions ready to battle the elements and have fun in nature.

We have had a great deal of fun building massive shelters in the rain and wind, creating kites, keeping ourselves warm with activities and hot chocolate and exploring all the fabulous creatures that share the school grounds with us. When the weather has allowed, we have enjoyed building fires and cooking smores and hot dogs. We have also enjoyed a wide variety of nature themed arts and crafts as well as just playing in the puddles. A great deal of fun has been had by all.



## Eco Councillors Spring Clean!

On Monday 23rd March, the Eco Warriors donned their fluorescent jackets and headed out to the park for a big Spring clean. This time we walked to Queensland Road Park, otherwise known as 'The Green'. The children were really invested in clearing up as it's a park they enjoy visiting. They diligently cleared up the whole area and had enough time to 'test' the equipment too!

On the return trip to school, the group picked up a significant amount of rubbish and were thanked by members of the public. Well done to the whole group on being such fantastic role models to all.



## Easter Hat Parade



It was fantastic to see so many creative and colourful Easter hat creations on Monday for our Easter Hat Parade. We were lucky to have the sunshine on our side, making it even more special as we proudly paraded around the playground to showcase our amazing designs for everyone to admire. There was such a buzz of excitement! We then gathered in the hall for the big moment—the announcement of our winners, who each received a delicious chocolate egg!

You can find more photos of this event on our school website. Thank you so much for supporting your children with this activity to make this event possible.

A special thanks to the Friends of Conifers for donating the prizes.

Have a cracking Easter!



## **Parking**

**A massive THANK YOU to all those parents who respect the Yellow Markings at the Front and the Back of the school, park accordingly and therefore ensure the safety of all our children.**

We hope you have a wonderful Easter break, school finishes at normal time today and we look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026!

