

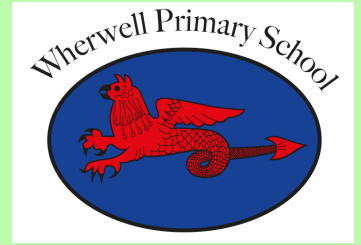
21st March 2025

**Whole School  
Attendance as at  
21.3.25**

**Target: 97%  
Actual: 96.5%**

## Wherwell Primary School Newsletter

Let's Love To Learn And Thrive Together



Dear Parents,

Happy Friday!



With just two more weeks left in this busy term before Easter, the school is full of energy and excitement. The children have been thoroughly enjoying their time playing on the field at lunchtime, and with the first signs of summer approaching, we're looking forward to making the most of our outdoor spaces for learning as well.

Today, your child brought home their school report. We send these reports at this point in the year so that there is still time for the children to work on the targets set for them during the final four months. I hope you find the report helpful and that it gives you a clear understanding of your child's strengths and areas for development.



### **PARENT APP**

As you know, we have introduced a program to all year groups at school called my Happy mind. My Happy mind is all based around helping children to understand how their brain works and to support them in developing positive skills and habits to be their very best selves!

My Happy mind is delivered in schools by class teachers through a series of interactive lessons and then the children apply these learnings throughout the day.

To further embed this learning, My Happy Mind has developed a Parent App. These resources can be accessed online on your computer, or through an app on your phone. The Parent App will support you as a parent in understanding what your child is learning, activities for you to do together at home and also a Kids Zone featuring My Happy Mind Games plus much more!

To access these materials just go to <https://myhappymind.org/parent-resources> to create your free account. You will need to enter your name, email, and authentication code.

**Your authentication code is in the email accompanying the link to this newsletter.**

I hope you have a restful weekend,

Best wishes,

Mandy (Headteacher)

**Hampshire County Youth Choir**  
**“Sing-Alongside”**

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**Friday 25 April 2025**  
**5.30pm - 8.30pm**  
**The United Church, Jewry St, Winchester**

- 5.30pm- Yr 7 to Yr 13
- 6.00pm- Yr 2 to Yr 6 Juniors
- 7.30pm- Show to parents for all participants
- Register your interest to reserve your space

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Hampshire County Council

[www.hcyc.hmsensembles.org.uk](http://www.hcyc.hmsensembles.org.uk)

Hampshire County Youth Choirs are opening their doors to invite potential members to come and sing alongside their current singers.

With choirs for everyone from Yr 2 to Upper Sixth, this is the opportunity for children and young people who love to sing to come and find out more about what we do, with the view to join us for the Summer Term.

The evening will end with a showing to parents and a chance to meet the Directors.

Friday 25 April 2025  
 From 5.30pm - 8.30pm  
 The United Church, Jewry St, Winchester

Signup and find out more [HERE](#).



**Mothering Sunday 30th March**  
**10am**

Wherwell, Chilbolton, Crawley, Sparsholt, and Littleton

Bring your Mum, Nan, or Guardian to Church on Mothering Sunday at 10am where you can make them a card and give them a posy of flowers. And then let's thank God for these special people in our lives.

### A Fantastic time at the PTA Disco!

A huge thank you to Emma and our wonderful PTA team for organising such a fun and successful disco yesterday! The hall was filled with music, laughter, and some seriously impressive dance moves from pupils (and a few parents too!).

With colourful lights, great tunes, and plenty of energy, it was a disco to remember. The hot dogs and glittery face paints were a great hit! Thanks to everyone who came along and supported the event.

We're already looking forward to the next one!





## ROBINS

In Robins we have been making the most of the beautiful weather this week and getting outside as much as possible! The children were thrilled with the new shop Mrs Shone kindly set up, and used their knowledge of counting and adding while they played. We have taken the opportunity to have our reading groups outside and some of the children even set up their own mini classroom where they practised their writing and phonics.



## PUFFINS

On Tuesday, Puffins had a wonderful, sunshiny day at Alice Holt Forest! We explored microhabitats within the meadow and forest area and then looked for mini beasts. Puffins were extremely excited to find a frog in the meadow, the frog was probably less excited to find us... After lunch we completed the Gruffalo trail, which then left us with some free time to enjoy the adventure playground before getting back on the coach and coming home.





## KINGFISHERS

Kingfishers had a wonderful time at Windsor Castle yesterday. As part of our learning on castles, we went to visit a real-life working castle. When we arrived, we went on a self guided tour around St. George's Chapel, as well as the State Apartments, where we saw Queen Mary's Dolls' House.



After this, we had our lunch and then did a very exciting workshop called 'All About Castles'. We learnt all about the history of Windsor Castle as well as different parts of a castle. We learnt all about a castle's defences and about how arrow slits are impossible to shoot through... or so we thought!



## SPARROWHAWKS

In Geography, Sparrowhawks have been exploring the topic of deforestation. To deepen their understanding, they took part in a hot seating activity where they practised persuading the Brazilian president to prevent further deforestation in the rainforest.



On Thursday, with the beautiful weather, we took our Spanish lesson outside! The children acted out scenes from our book *El gigante más elegante*, stepping into the shoes of the giant as he encountered various animals along his journey.





## HOUSE MARTINS

In recent weeks, House Martins have been learning to play 5-a-side netball in PE. The children have worked really impressively as a team and have shown great maturity when substituting on and off, in order to ensure that everyone has a chance to play in a range of positions. On Tuesday, some House Martins represented Wherwell Primary School at a 5-a-side netball tournament. They should be really proud of the way in which they played. They were a fantastic team and had a great time!



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# Diary Dates

Activity	Date
Reports go home to parents	Friday 21st March
Kingfishers Learning Outcome in Hall	Monday 24th March, 2:45pm
Optional Parents Evening (following reports)	Wednesday 26th March
Friends of Wherwell Cake Sale	Friday 28th March
Sparrowhawks Listen2Me Concert - Performance to Parents in Hall	Monday 31st March (time TBC)
House Martins Learning Outcome	Tuesday 1st April, 2:50pm
Puffins Learning Outcome in Hall	Thursday 3rd April, 9:05am
Easter Assembly, led by Revd Kevin Rogers (children only)	Thursday 3rd April, 10.50am
Robins Parent Share Session	Thursday 3rd April, 2:50pm
Sparrowhawks Learning Outcome	Thursday 3rd April, 2:45pm
Easter Holidays	Monday 7th to Monday 21st April
Return to School	Tuesday 22nd April
Avon Tyrell residential, Years 4 and 5	Monday 28th April to Friday 2nd May
Robins, Puffins & Kingfishers—Drama4All 'Jungle Rumble' Drama Workshops	Thursday 1st May
Harewood Run	Monday 5th May
Walk to School Week	Monday 19th to Friday 23rd May
Sparrowhawks Trip to Ropley Watercress Line - details to follow	Wednesday 21st May
Half Term holiday	Monday 26th May to Friday 30th June
<b>Inset Day</b>	<b>Monday 2nd June</b>
School Photographer—Class photographs	Wednesday 4th June
Runways End residential Year 6 - details to follow	Monday 9th June—Friday 13th June
Sports Day	Friday 27th June
Speak out and stay safe NSPCC (Year 2) - details to follow	Tuesday 1st July, 1:15-1:45pm
Speak out and stay safe NSPCC (Years 5 & 6) - details to follow	Tuesday 1st July, 2-3pm
Parents' Evening	Wednesday 2nd July 3:30 - 7pm
Parents' Evening	Thursday 3rd July 3:30 - 5:30
Summer Fete	Sunday 6th July
<b>Inset Day</b>	<b>Monday 14th July</b>
Last Day of Term	Tuesday 22nd July