

# MILL RYTHE INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## Dear Parents and Friends

What a fantastic week Year R had last week when a whole range of pets visited their owners at school - we met dogs, rabbits, chickens, ducks, and more exotic ones, like the pony who trotted by my window and the snake that made one or two members of staff a little nervous! Thank you so much to those parents who gave up time to share tips, hints, experiences about pets, and let the children get 'close-up and personal' to the animals. The whole event was a huge success. Now of course this week those children are following up the work by visiting Longdown Dairy Farm - we're sure that will be a success too.

Years 1 and 2 enjoyed their time at HMS Victory, and again our thanks go to the parents who went along to lead group activities - without the fantastic support we receive from you all, you can see that the children's experiences would be completely impoverished.

I also want to say congratulations to everyone who participated in the 'Bags of Art' project - that is children and those adults who shared this home learning activity with them. Mrs Lazell and Mrs Lane have been busy mounting as many pieces of art as they possibly can and putting them on display boards. At the moment they are just outside the hall so that the children can look at them every time they walk past - but we think that you will be astonished at the variety and the creativity of your children and intend to put the display boards in the playground before school (when we can be sure that the weather is going to be fine).

**FOMS** - I am delighted to inform you that Pauline Nixon (Clara Barefoot's mum) has agreed to take on the chair of FOMS for the remainder of the year. Plans for the Summer Fair on Sunday 7 June are well under way - please put the date in your diary and if

you can help out please give your name to one of the committee members.

## Year 2 - Minstead Residential Trip

For those paying by instalments, just a reminder that the April payment of £25 is due this Thursday 30 April, and the balance of £40 will be due by Friday 22 May.

## Free School Meals

If your child is entitled to free school meals, please ensure your form and appropriate evidence is handed in to the office **by the end of this week** - otherwise meals taken will have to be paid for at £2 per day. If there are any queries please see Mrs Willis.

**Activities at Hayling Library** - for children aged 5 and over and their parents/carers. Advance booking essential either in library or telephone 02392 461534.

**Saturday 2 May** 10am - 12.00. Paper Aeroplanes - making a variety of models and seeing how far they can fly.

**Saturday 9 May** 10am - 12.00. Music from Junk - having fun making wacky musical instruments from junk.

## Mill Rythe Holiday Resort

We have been informed by Mill Rythe Holiday Resort that they are opening their indoor swimming pool to local residents on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings between 17.00 - 19.00 hours. Children £1, Adults £2. Book in advance at Holiday Resort Reception or telephone 02392 463805.

## Kidzone Holiday Club

Club for 4-12 years at Mill Rythe Infant School open 8am - 6pm. Book now for May and summer holidays. Range of sessions available all day, half day, school day and two hours stay and play sessions, all food, snacks and drinks included. Details of planned activities available on request. Limited places - early booking recommended. For more information contact Gill Wrixon 07976 611713.

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**Inset Day Childcare Provision** - Do you need childcare for inset days on 1<sup>st</sup> June and 22 July? Kidzone can provide cover to fit with your working day, sibling discount available. Full day £22, school day £16, other hours by arrangement. Snacks and food included. Please complete details below and return to school office or contact Gill Wrixon 07976 611713. Full holiday childcare provided on site open 8am - 6pm.

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