



18th March 2016

Dear Parents



InConcert Chilterns 2016

Our choir performed brilliantly as part of the InConcert Chilterns festival on Monday evening at the Kings Church, Amersham. The children performed songs on the theme of seasons as well as a couple of 'groovy' numbers with added percussion from the teachers! It was also the first outing of our new concert ties which the choir were very proud of and we had lots of compliments from other schools. A huge well done to everyone who performed.

Football Congratulations

This week we have experienced huge success on the football pitch.

- On Tuesday, the Under 10 football squad played The Gateway School and won 1:0! The squad will now progress into the cup final.
- The girls' football squad beat Elengani 2:0 and move into the next round of the cup.

Chocolate Market

A huge thank you to all of Year 3 children and parents for making and selling all the delicious goods at the chocolate market yesterday! The children raised around £650 – amazing!

Staff News

Congratulations to Mrs Payne, our LSA in Year 4, who has a new post as School Bursar at West Wycombe starting after Easter. Congratulations to her and our very warmest thanks for the time, care and dedication she has given to the children of Great Missenden School. We wish her all the very best in her new role.

Reports

You should have received your child's annual Academic Progress Report today. We hope that you enjoy reading them and that you are pleased with the progress and comments made. Your views are extremely important to us and we welcome any feedback you may have, so we would like to take this opportunity to kindly ask that all Parent Comment slips are completed and returned to your child/ren's class teacher/s by Friday 15th April.

New Head Teacher next Tuesday 22nd March

Mrs Thomson will be temporarily stepping down from her role on Tuesday next week, as Oliver Tompson (Year 6) will be Head Teacher for the day. Oliver has declared it a FREE MUFTI DAY ON WEDNESDAY - LAST DAY OF TERM (as we'd like the children to look smart in uniform for the Church on Tuesday). Mr Tompson will remind you of this in his newsletter next Tuesday!

TREEmendous Week!

It's been a **treemendous** week of weather and planting and the staff, children, parents and grandparents have planted nearly 900 trees. Thank you to all for helping. Photos will be added to the school website shortly.





Earth Hour

Earth Hour is an annual global celebration where people switch off their lights for one hour to show how much they care about the future of our planet. This year's celebrations will be on Saturday 19 March from 8.30pm - 9.30pm. Earth Hour first began in Sydney, Australia in 2007; in 2016 the numbers of countries taking part has grown to an incredible 172 countries - a number that keeps rising every year!

This hour is not about how much energy that is saved during the hour but putting the spotlight on the issues facing the planet, and to inspire millions of people across the country to live more sustainably. We look forward to seeing a darker Great Missenden on Saturday evening!

Parents are raising money for Sport Relief!

There will be a Cake Bake sale on Monday 21st March at the Oldham Hall 8.00 - 9.30am. Please bring along something to donate, drop in for tea, coffee and cake, or buy something to take home. Everyone welcome!



Woodrow

Good luck to Year 4 who will be visiting Woodrow next week. We hope you have a fantastic time!

Table Tennis Success!

Three children from Year 5 demonstrated that 'practise makes perfect' yesterday. Last year we put the all-weather table tennis tables on the KS2 playground. Oliver Charlton, Nathan Bergandy and Josh Mandeville are never far away from them. Yesterday, the boys went to Little Kingshill to play in a local inter schools table tennis tournament and brought home the trophy! They won almost every game and were extremely humble in victory. Well done boys - see brilliant picture below..!

Important events

Tuesday 22nd March - Year 5's Easter Church Service for parents at 2pm
Don't forget we break for Easter on Wednesday 23rd March at 2:15pm.
Our return to school is Monday 11th April 2016.

I hope you all have a wonderful Easter break.

Mr Alder
Assistant Head Teacher

Oliver, Nathan and Josh win the Table Tennis cup!



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- **The deadline has now passed for menu orders for next term. We cannot guarantee a meal for your child at the start of the summer term if these are received next week.**
- Please remember we are still collecting Sainsbury's vouchers for Sports equipment
- Please do check Parentpay regularly for any relevant outstanding trip payments due – Thank you !
- **The deadline for the return of the Club choices request slip is TUESDAY 22ND MARCH!**