



Learn together. Grow together. Succeed together.

**Edition 30: Friday 10th
May 2024**

Dates for your Diary

Weds 8 th May	Infant School trip to Rushall Farm
Mon 13 th to Thurs 16 th May	Year 6 SATs
Thurs 16 th May	Dinosaur Day themed lunch
Thurs 16 th May	6pm EYFS Sept 2024 meeting
Friday 17 th May	PDSA disco
Tues 21 st May	Class Photos
Thurs 23 rd May	Outdoor Classroom Day
Fri 24 th May	Year 6 trip to Winchester War Museum
Mon 27 th May to Fri 31 st May	May Half Term
Mon 3 rd June	Start of summer term 2
Weds 19 th June	Yr 5 Trinity Taster Day
Weds 26 th June	Partnership Sports Day *
Tues 9 th July	Back up Sports Day
Weds 24 th July	End of term

This week at Parsons Down...

- ✓ This week's **attendance** for EYFS and Key Stage 1 was 96.4% and for Key Stage 2 it was 93.8%.
- ✓ Well done to two more **sports teams** that have represented Parsons Down over the past week! On Friday 3rd, a team of **Y5/6 pupils took part in an indoor athletics competition** at Trinity. With a mix of long and short distance runs, alongside field events, everyone took the opportunity to try something new and we were proud of how the pupils applied themselves to the challenges. Then on Monday, it was the turn of the **Y3/4 pupils who competed at St. Barts in a Tri-Golf tournament**. It was lovely to see the team celebrating their successes and encourage each other at every opportunity! We are SUPER PROUD of everyone who took part and hope they enjoyed the experience 😊
- ✓ On Wednesday, the infant school had a fantastic day exploring **Rushall Farm**. It was a joy to see them embracing new and exciting encounters and they were beautifully behaved. Thank you to the staff and team of volunteers that made the trip possible.
- ✓ Thursday saw the grand opening of our new **boat and train** on the fake grass area of the infant playground and it has been a huge success. The children love them! Thank you for supporting our request not to play on equipment before or after school. The sensory garden and outdoor classroom should be ready very soon for their grand opening.
- ✓ Year 6 pupils and staff have been working really hard to make some changes to our **Library**. We have reviewed the way the books are organised to make them more appealing and accessible to the children. The library will be closed next week as we finish organising the books.
- ✓ We are incredibly proud of the **Newbury and District Football** team who, under the captainship of one of our Year 5 pupils, have won the Southern Counties League. Trials for the girls' and boys' teams for next year are currently taking place for pupils in Year 4 and 5. Good luck to the children whose names have been put forward for this prestigious opportunity.
- ✓ Next week, our **Year 6** pupils will be sitting the statutory SATs tests. The children have worked incredibly hard in the build up to SATs and they are definitely prepared and ready! A letter with more information was emailed out to Year 6 families at the end of last week. We wish them all the best.
- ✓ Don't forget to get your disco tickets for next **Friday's disco!** A letter was sent last week, the PDSA are trialling an online booking system. Click on the link to book your child's place <http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/parsons-down-school-association>
- ✓ We're really looking forward to our annual **Outdoor Classroom Day** on Thursday 23rd May. A letter went out with more information last week.

Finally, be kind, be safe, be respectful, Mrs Bull



The Week in Pictures

No Outsiders, Y3/4 Tri Golf team, Y5/6 Indoor Athletics. Newbury District Football team and the infants and enjoying Rushall Farm and their new play equipment.

**NO
OUT
SIDERS**
'All different, All welcome'



Southern Counties League Cup



CHAMPIONS



