

Padnell Post



Giving Citizen Resilient Learner Original Thinker Wise Worker

12th February 2026. Spring Term No 6

Well we have made it through what must have been the wettest half term on record! I do hope for all our sakes the half term weather is brighter and we get some time to get outside and refresh ready for Spring 2!

Headship

I am very pleased to announce that the Governors have appointed for the role of Headteacher from September following my retirement from Headship.

Please see the attached letter from our Chair of Governors.

 **Safer Internet Day**

48 families joined us for this session on Tuesday. If you were unable to come, please see the attached presentation and notes on using AI safely.

Thank you to Mrs Kernot for organising the event and parent Mr McKee for supporting her.

Year 1 Wildlife Sessions

Our thanks to Alex from Brent Lodge Wildlife Hospital who joined the children in Year 1 as part of their Joey's Field sessions this week.


Thank you for your donations too. If you forgot to bring your pound in, you can donate directly at: [Make a donation to Brent Lodge Wildlife Hospital](#)



PIPSA - Sponsored Bounce

Thank you for supporting PIPSA's sponsored Bounce event. The children have had a fun day. Sponsor forms will be returned to you today (unless you have already sent in your sponsor money). Please can we ask that you return the money by Friday 27th February. Remember that the monies raised will be split between school and the NSPCC.

A huge thank you to our PIPSA volunteers for making it a success and to our office staff for all the collating and reminders.

Wear a Scarf Day 
Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship underpin all of our PSHE curriculum. Supporting positive mental health falls under this umbrella and today the wearing of a scarf to school is a little reminder to support children's mental health. Providing stability and clear boundaries gives children the opportunity to GROW without worry and anxiety.



World Book Day

Please see the attached letter with details of the events we have planned for World Book Day.

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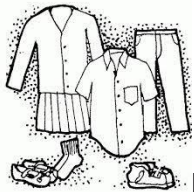
Year 1 Trip

Children in Year 1 will be visiting Portchester Castle next half term. A letter with all the details is attached.



Arbor Consent letter

As you can see from the attached letter, we are moving our Permissions to Arbor. This will help us work together to keep all information up to date and reduce our environmental impact.



PE Kits & Uniform

We are half way through the school year so now is the time to check whether or not your child's uniform, PE Kits and shoes/plimsolls still fit. Please also ensure all items are labelled – if you've been in search of something in **Lost Property**, you will see it is mountainous!!

Uniform Sale

We have a small supply of uniform left which is available at reduced costs (£10 for sweatshirts/cardigans, £8 for Polo Shirts).

These can be purchased through Arbor. Any remaining items will be on sale at our upcoming Parents' Evenings.



March for Mind

Thank you for all your generous donations for our "March for Mind" fundraiser. The JustGiving link is here: [Padnell JustGiving Page March for Mind](#)



If you read you will succeed

Today we will be counting all the children's reads ready for the next little reward. If your child missed out this time remember we start again as soon as we get back for a 5 week period. That is just 20 reads needed...come on Padnell can we make this one a record number of children achieving this challenge?

Hazelton Farm School Consultation

As you can see from the attached letter, Hampshire County Council is holding a pre-planning consultation on the proposal to build a new 315 place primary school on land at Hazelton Farm (Land East of Horndean). Please log on to give your views.

Car Seat Safety

The Road Safety Team are responsible for educating young people and their families on the importance of keeping safe when travelling in a vehicle. Part of this education includes ensuring young people are travelling with correct restraints. Are you aware that 37% of children are in the wrong type of seat for their age and/or height? The Road Safety Team would like to share this car restraint leaflet with you to ensure you know how to always keep your child(ren) safe – in the correct restraint. There are also hints and tips about choosing the right seat, transporting other people's children and how to fit different types of car seat. To read this informative leaflet, please visit – [in car safety guide](#)

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INSET Day & Half Term *holidays*

School will close for children at 3.05pm today. **Tomorrow (Friday 13th February), is an Inset day.** We will welcome children back to school on Monday 23rd February.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Mandy Grayson
Headteacher



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Diary Dates 2025 – 2026

Thursday 12th February	Last Day of Term		
Friday 13th February	INSET Day	Whole School	
Monday 16th to Friday 20th February	Half Term		School Closed
Monday 23rd February	Return to School		
Friday 27th February	Deadline for Sponsored Bounce Money to be returned	Whole School	
Sunday 1 st March	Staff "March for Mind"		If you are able to donate, please visit our JustGiving Page : Padnell JustGiving Page March for Mind

Thursday 5th March	World Book Day	Whole School	Wear pyjamas to celebrate bedtime reading or dress as a favourite book character.
Friday 6 th March 1pm	Deadline for Parents Evening Bookings	Whole School	
Friday 6 th March	Year 1 Holi Festival	Year 1	Children to bring old clothes in a named bag
Friday 6 th March	Year 1 Deadline to order Packed lunch for School Trip	Year 1 Parents	
Monday 9 th March	Deadline for Year 1 Trip Payment	Year 1	
Wednesday 11th March	Mill Cottage Farm Visiting Year R	Year R	
Friday 13th March	Year R Mother's Day Assembly	Year R	Mother's Day assembly for Year R
Friday 13th March	Year 1 Trip to Portchester Castle	Year 1 Parents	
Tuesday 17th March 3.10pm - 5.30pm	Parents Evening for Woodpeckers	Woodpeckers	3.10pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday 18th March 3.10pm - 7pm	Parents Evening	Whole School	3.10pm - 7pm
Wednesday 18th March	No Gymnastics		
Thursday 19th March 3.10pm - 5.30pm	Parents Evening	All classes except Woodpeckers	3.10pm - 5.30pm
Friday 20th March	"Fencing" Day	Years 1 & 2	

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Monday 23rd March	Easter Magic Show	Whole School	3.05pm - 4pm
Wednesday 25th March	Easter Assembly	Children only	
Thursday 26th March	Egg Decorating Competition	Whole School	
Thursday 26th March 3.05 - 3.45pm	Open School		An opportunity to look around your child's class and their books
Friday 27th March	Last Day of Term		
Friday 27th March	Kids Club (afternoon session) Closed	Kids Club	Please be aware that on the last afternoon of each term, the after school session of Kids Club is closed
Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April	Easter Holidays		School Closed
Monday 13th April	Return to School		



PADNELL PARENT HUB
WHERE PARENTS GROW TOGETHER

Parent Hub with our Parent Partner

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
8.40am – 10am

Help & Advice on sleep, eating, behaviour, support, relationships.

Food bank info, community events.

Pre-loved Uniform, Coat Swap
Coffee and Chat