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Green Cards – Well done to Cedar Class who have earned the most Green Cards this week and will, therefore, be rewarded with a non-school uniform day on Thursday 24th March 2016. (Please Note, Thursday, because that is the last day of term, and so School is closed on Friday.)

Parents Consultation Meetings – It was great to see so many of you on Tuesday evening, and to get your overwhelmingly positive feedback about the School, and how we can work together to the benefit of your children. We will be letting you know the results of the feedback as soon as the answers are collated. Until then, thank you for coming on Tuesday, thank you to the Governors who were ready to greet you, and thank you to the Staff who have spent so long preparing the constructive and useful reports, and meeting with you.

‘Go Active’ – As part of our healthy schools activities we have arranged for ‘Go Active’ to come into School on **Thursday 24th March** to run some very exciting sports taster sessions for the children - which may lead to some more, and different, after-school clubs. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in School so that they can take full advantage of the activities in store for them.

HC3S – Next week it will be Easter Lunch on Tuesday and then there will be an additional treat, because Friday’s menu of Macaroni Cheese or Fish & Chips, will be swapped onto Thursday. Can we please ask that all outstanding monies are paid up before the break, so HC3S can balance their books (it is not only the end of term, but also the end of the financial year).

Lost Property - We will be putting out the Lost Property every morning and afternoon (weather permitting) in the playground and, any not collected, will be sent to a Charity on the last day of term (Thursday 24th March). Please have a look as there are some lovely coats and trainers amongst the goodies. Please take yours home, and, as holiday homework, please label each item carefully.

Support your child in their Maths learning - We have 50 copies of the new Pocket-Sized Poster Learning Books left for sale in School. The cost of these books is £2.50. Each page covers a different area of maths with clear explanations. If you wish to purchase a copy, please bring in, or send in, £2.50 to the School Office to collect one.

Moonwalk 4 Breast cancer – a group of our mums are participating in the ‘Moonwalk’ in London on May 14th 2016. As another part of their fundraising, they will be making Easter treats (ranging in price from 50p - £1.50), and delicious cakes, brownies, biscuits etc, which will be on sale on Thursday 24th March, straight after school. We do realise that the HSA are holding a cake sale at the beginning of the same week, but we do hope you will be able to give in to the temptation of cake twice in one week to support such a worthy cause.



Sport Relief – we also realise that we have not organised any activities for Sports Relief this time; that’s because we not only have the cake sales coming up, but we also have plans to raise money for Cancer Research UK through the Race for Life early next term. Sports Relief is a great cause, which we encourage you to support if you can, but we don’t want to introduce charity fatigue in School.

HSA Cake Sale – as indicated above, next Tuesday (22nd March 2016) the HSA are having a stall in our playground. They would love as many parents as can to: bake cakes; donate washed uniform that can be resold, and donate any adult’s or children’s books that they could sell. There will also be 200 club membership forms available, so you can sign up on the day. The HSA would also like to thank all of the people that helped at the disco. It was much appreciated and once the money has been counted they will let us know and we can pass on the total raised.

Netball - The netballers again excelled themselves winning 11-2 against Pembroke Park this week. The children played really well, and with great sports-person-ship. We would like to convey many thanks to all who helped and supported the children.

Open Afternoons – Next term we will be holding Open Afternoons, which will follow the same format as before, where you will have a chance to go to your child/ren’s classrooms, look through their work and also be there for a class assembly. These will take place on separate dates for each year group, to help those with more than one child, on the afternoons of the dates below:

Year 3	-	Friday 22 nd April
Year 4	-	Friday 6 th May
Year 5	-	Friday 29 th April
Year 6	-	Friday 27 th May

Parents in School – Can we remind parents that we are always very happy to see you, and help you in any way we can, but the safety of the children, and yourselves, is very important to us. We would again ask you not to go further into School than the Reception area without the express permission of a member of staff. We know that Reception can be busy at times, or the ladies may have stepped away for a moment, but please be patient, we always come back and we are happy to help you with anything you need.

Free Maths Course Reminder - From Monday 18th April, there will be a course for parents, entitled, 'Keeping up with the Kids in Maths' running on the bus. This free of charge course will be delivered by visiting tutor, Liam Oates, over 5 consecutive weeks. Each session will be 2 hours long starting at 9:30am each week. A free crèche will be available. The places will be filled on a first come first served basis. There is a leaflet with more information attached with this newsletter.

A Summer Term Concert – You are warmly invited to a concert in the School Hall on Thursday 28th April 2016 at 6.30pm. There will be musical items from the Choir and Orchestra and assorted soloists. More details next term

Bikeability (cycle proficiency, as was) Unfortunately we had to cancel our last Bikeability Course due to low numbers, which is a shame, but good news if you hadn't had chance to sign up! We have a new date of **12th and 13th April 2016**. If you have a Year 5 or 6 child (they must have had their 10th birthday) who has a bike, please do take up this opportunity for them to learn all about road safety, bike safety and maintenance. It's only £5 per child and is a great pre-cursor to the days when they will start making their own way to school. Please email the office with "BIKEABILITY" as the subject heading, or call in to talk to us about it.

Some Reminders:

Tuesdays on the Bus – between now and Easter, Reverend Becky and Reverend Heather will be leading a time on the bus every Tuesday between 8am and 8.15am as a prayer space with a mixture of silence, music and prayer. If you would like to, please do come along and stay for a cup of tea or coffee (or even an early bird hot chocolate) afterwards.

Salisbury Schools Mini Marathon – 21st May 2016 - We've had lots of entries back for the mini-marathon, which is fantastic. Entries were requested to be returned by **3rd March**. Late entries will be charged (£5) and run the risk of not being included in the programme. Later this term, we will have some whole school running sessions, so please ensure your child has the necessary kit each day – just in case.

Child Safety – again – unfortunately we are still getting reports of children getting themselves to and from School in a way which could get them hurt. We urge you to ensure that your children arrive and leave School safely with a responsible adult wherever possible. Could we also add that when visiting the school, you use the main reception entrance and not any of the fire exits or the doors marked no entry.

Catering - Easter Day Menu on Tuesday 22nd March is Turkey Roast and gravy or a Quorn fillet with vegetarian sausage and gravy, accompanied by dry roast potatoes, baton carrots and salad, followed by favourite deserts or fresh fruit. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

Drop-In to see Linda in the Lodge– Please remember that Linda Kendell-Scott (our Parent Support Advisor, or PSA) is available in the Lodge for Drop-ins. If you would like to contact her, to avoid having to wait, and to avoid other's meetings, you can call her on 07584087059

Community News

Lucy's Days Out (LDO)- Please see the poster advertising the Easter egg hunt on Saturday 26th March at Fisherton Mill

Craft Club – Thursday 14th April at 7.30pm – St George's Hall – Newcomers Welcome Whatever the Craft - The Harnham Craft Club is meeting to talk about projects that they could do to benefit the Harnham Schools (they'd love to see some new people). If you are able to donate any resources, unwanted material, unloved wool stashes, etc, they would be very grateful.

Park Run - There is a local Park Run (weekly, free 5km timed run – it's you against the clock) organised by a team of about 30 local volunteers, including parents and, some weeks, children from our local Harnham schools, every Saturday at 9am at Churchill Gardens. Please see Posters for more details or you can google Salisbury Parkrun.

Netball – We have recently received vouchers (and these are in Reception) for two free taster sessions per child at Blue Jays N C on Tuesday evenings 7-8pm at Five Rivers, these vouchers are valid until the 24th May 2016. Some of your children will already be attending Blue Jays or Spire Reds which is wonderful but our aim is to get more children playing at club level to develop the sport further. The voucher can be used by children who have not yet tried High Five and would like to have a go, or for league players who want to get extra practice and improve their skills. The children can come along any Tuesday, just fill in the details on the voucher and hand in to the coach, Pam on arrival. Any child wishing to join the Club after the taster sessions would be very welcome.

Holiday Camps - There will be a holiday camp at Easter at South Wilts CC. This will take place on three mornings 4th - 6th April. Please contact robert.wade@chartltd.co.uk for full details or a form.

For your diaries, they have 3 other camps planned for the season - 1st-3rd June, 25th-27th July, and, 15th-17th August.

Summer U9 Cricket -this 10 week Community cricket course will take place as usual on Monday evenings. This starts on Monday 25th April. This is open to boys and girls aged 6-9 (school years 1 to 4). Please contact robert.wade@chartltd.co.uk for full details or a form.

Girls/Ladies Cricket - South Wilts ladies and girls cricket section is growing rapidly and will have a programme of friendly and competitive matches over the summer, alongside weekly training with qualified coaches. We will be training on Monday nights starting mid-April, with matches on weekday evenings and on Sundays. They are always on the lookout for new players, or ladies and girls just wanting to give cricket a try. So, if you've played before or just want a fun and competitive sport to play over the summer, please contact nigelsell@aol.com for more details.

Have a great weekend.

Mr L Coles - Headteacher

**Messages you should have
received this week**

This is the section where we tell you the messages that went out over the course of this week so that you can make sure you're receiving our alerts.

Year 3	
Year 5/6	Bikeability – next course
Whole School	Lost property – come and have a look.

Important Diary Dates

22nd March 2016	HSA Spring Event (details to follow) HC3S Easter Day Menu
24th March 2016	Carousel Sports in School
12th and 13th April 2016	BIKEABILITY (spaces available)
14th April 2016	Craft Club in St George's Hall – 7.30pm
20th April 2016	Choir Trip
22nd April 2016	Year 3 Open Afternoon
27th April 2016	Year 3 to the Roman Baths
28th April 2016	Orchestra & Choir – Summer Concert 6.30pm
29th April 2016	Year 5 Open Afternoon
6th May 2016	Year 4 Open Afternoon
9th to 15th May 2016	SATs Week
21st May 2016	Mini Marathon
27th May 2016	Year 6 Open Afternoon
6th September to 9th September 2016	Year 5 – current year 4 – trip to New Barn
30th September to 3rd October 2016	Year 6 – current year 5 – trip to Osmington Bay
GOOD FRIDAY (NO SCHOOL)	25th March 2016
EASTER BREAK	25th March to 8th April 2016 Back on the 11th April 2016
MAY BANK HOLIDAY	2nd May 2016
MAY HALF TERM	30th May to 3rd June 2016
TD DAYS	21st and 22nd July 2016
SUMMER BREAK	25th July to 31st August 2016