



# Lower School News



...to Olivia Gough and Alfie McCaw who were both successful in gaining academic awards to the Upper School. This maintains the good record of Lower School pupils achieving scholarships to St John's Upper School.

## School's Out

We will be running School's Out again this Easter and will be open each day at Fields, with the exception of 1st, 6th and 19th of April. Take advantage of the Early Bird Discount at just £20 for the day (plus £5 extra for the extended day) if booked before **19th March**. Check out the website [www.schoolsout.org.uk](http://www.schoolsout.org.uk) or call 07988 564642.

## Coffee Morning and Cake Sale

On Thursday 11th March there will be a coffee morning and cake sale in the Maurice Wing Hall at 9.00am. We will also be holding a raffle at the end of the coffee morning with some great prizes. Coffee and cake will be £1.00 and raffle tickets will be £1.00 a strip - all proceeds will go to the Rowan's Hospice in Waterlooville. Raffle tickets, Guess the Name of the Bear and Guess the Number of Sweets in the Jar will all be available before the event. Please come along for coffee and a chat and support a great cause. Would parents please send in cakes to be sold to the children by Wednesday 10th March. These can be brought to the Lower School Office or given to Mrs Jo Russell, Mrs Amanda Boyle or Mrs Alicia Bayer. Thank you.



## Sports News

The Under 11 Rugby team maintained their unbeaten record this season with a crushing 70 point victory over Mayville. The Under 10s Rugby team won their match against Oakwood 25-5. The Under 9s lost 5-25 in their first match against Churcher's College but showed good promise. Against Mayville the following day they won 10-5. Their next Saturday training is scheduled for 20th March at 9:30am. The Under 9 netballers drew their game with Alton Convent School; the Under 10s, however, lost narrowly.

## Additional Fixture

U11 'A' & 'B' v Pilgrims School next Wednesday at Home - 2:30pm start. The next Saturday training for Year 5 and 6 team players is on **Saturday 20th March at 10:30am**. Year 4 team players will have a session at 9:30am.



## World Book Day

Thank you for your support today. I am delighted to be able to send your donations to a school in Kenya who urgently need new library books. The children looked great dressed as their favourite book characters. A big thank you to Miss Grubb for coordinating the event and raising our awareness of the situation in Kenya.



# Nursery News

This week the Rockets have been looking at Pets and how to care for them. On Tuesday they enjoyed a trip to the local pet shop where they met a rabbit, a snake, guinea pigs, mice, fish, birds and rats. On Friday we had a visit from Meryl and Devon's guinea pigs – Ruby and Ivy. The children loved meeting them and they got to stroke their backs.

The Stars have really enjoyed discovering how things work in their Investigation week. They looked at objects that float or sink in water and learned about light and dark. They made a dark den and used torches inside it. The Stars had to 'guess the object' by putting their hand inside a 'feely bag' – a fun game. Lots of interesting items came into Nursery from home such as Newton's Cradle, a whisk and a microphone amongst many other items. On Friday the children had a great time discovering how to use a Bee-Bot (a remote-controlled bug).

To celebrate the arrival of the Nursery's new cooker we are now collecting Flora Cooking with Schools vouchers. We would like to invite all families at the Nursery and School to help us collect by buying the Flora margarine 'Cooking with Schools' packs and either registering the vouchers online to the Lower School or handing them into the Nursery. We hope to buy mixing bowls, wooden spoons and cake tins amongst other kitchen essentials.

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**Head of Nursery**