



26th April 2024

A Message from Miss Olver

It has felt like a very sporty week at school. We had cycling training for Year 5 on Monday and Tuesday, a team at lacrosse on Tuesday and a tennis tournament on Wednesday, all alongside our normal curriculum PE and our after-school sports club. It has been lovely to see the children so engaged in physical activity and trying different sports.

We have planned in our Sports Day for this year on Wednesday 10th July, so please add this to your diaries!

Dates for your diary:

Monday 6th May—Bank Holiday

Monday 13th—Thursday 16th May—Year 6 SATS

Saturday 18th May—East Meon May Fair

Mon 27th—Fri 31st May—Half Term

Mon 1st—Fri 5th July—Year 5/6 Residential

Wednesday 10th July—Sports Day

Friday 19th July—Last Day

INSET Days:

Monday 22nd July, Tuesday 23rd July

Bikeability

On Monday and Tuesday, instructors from Hampshire Outdoors came and ran two days of Bikeability training for the Year 5 cohort. They started on the playground making sure they could carry out basic safety checks on their bikes and ride safely. Then they spent the rest of the time in small groups out on the roads in the village learning how to negotiate different junctions with a focus on four core functions: observation, positioning, communication and priority. The children did really well, listening carefully to the advice and feedback from the instructors and demonstrating safe, thoughtful cycling throughout.



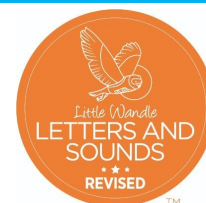
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Year 5 Lacrosse

On Tuesday 23rd April, 8 of our Year 5 children went to The Petersfield School to take part in a Lacrosse Festival. They got to find out more about this sport and have a go at building some of the skills linked to it. They had a great time and enjoyed trying something new. Thank you to Mrs Harrison for taking them and to all the parents who supported with transport.



Year 1/2 Tennis

On Wednesday 24th April, a group of Year 1/2 children were supposed to be taking part in a tennis festival. Unfortunately the event got cancelled at the last minute as the coach was unable to attend. Sara, our School Games Organiser, offered to come to East Meon and run a mini tennis festival for Adventurers Class on the playground instead. The children played a number of tennis-themed games and really enjoyed it.

Listen2Me

This week, Explorers and Voyagers started their new instrument for their Listen2Me lessons. This term they are learning how to play the keyboard—a very different instrument to the clarinets they were learning last half term.

It is fantastic to also have so many children choosing to carry on with their clarinet learning this term—it appears we have some budding musicians within our school!



Meon Valley Heartstart Programme

Yesterday David and Ursula from the Meon Valley Heartstart group came and ran the last session of their programme. They worked with Years 4-6 for the morning teaching the children how to perform CPR and use a defibrillator. A huge thank you to all the volunteers who have come and run these valuable sessions at the school for the children.

Milk Bottles

The village May Fair is fast approaching and this always begins with the boat race. We will be making boats in school in preparation for this event and need 2 pint milk bottles for this. If you have any at home, please can you wash them out and bring them in with their lids for us to use in school. Thank you.

