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Dear Parents/Carers,

All children enjoyed the trip to the Children's Concert by Southern Pro Musica at Chichester Festival Theatre on Tuesday – Faye in Year 5 even got to conduct the whole orchestra!!

Dates for the term

Tuesday 9 th February – 6.30pm	Internet Safety event for parents at Chichester High School – see separate letter already sent
Friday 12 th February	INSET DAY – School closed to pupils
Mon 15th – Fri 19th Feb	HALF TERM
Wednesday 24 th February	Oak Class assembly
Wednesday 24 th February – 6pm	Meeting for Parents about the new National Curriculum – all welcome
Tuesday 1 st March	Children's author Julia Donaldson ('The Gruffalo', 'Room on the Broom' 'Stick Man') in school – bookselling & signing after school – all welcome to meet this world famous Children's Laureate
Thursday 3 rd March	World Book Day (dress as a book character)
Wednesday 9 th March – 3pm → 6pm	Parents Consultation
Friday 18 th March	Last swimming session
Mon 21 st – Thurs 24 th March	Bikeability for Y6 (mornings)
Thursday 24 th March	END OF TERM

TERM DATES FOR 2016

Spring term 2016:

Tuesday 5th January 2016 to Thursday 24th March 2016

INSET DAYS: Monday 4th January 2016, Friday 12th February 2016

Half term break: Monday 15th February 2016 to Friday 19th February 2016

Easter break: Friday 25th March 2016 to Friday 8th April 2016

Summer term 2016:

Monday 11th April 2016 to Thursday 21st July 2016

Half term break: Monday 30th May 2016 to Friday 3rd June 2016

INSET DAYS:

Friday 27th May 2016

Friday 22nd July 2016

(PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A CHANGE OF INSET DATE – MONDAY 6TH JUNE IS NOW A NORMAL SCHOOL DAY)

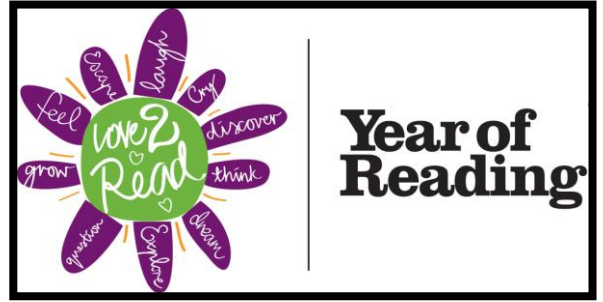
Autumn term 2016 begins on Tuesday 6th September 2016



Singleton C.E. School Year of Reading 2016

This year we are launching a drive to promote reading across the school in partnership with parents and carers.

We are very aware that parents are a child's first and main educators. There's plenty of research which shows how important parents are for their children's learning and development. Where parents are involved in their children's learning, children do better at school.



One of the best things parents can do to support their children is to read together at home. This starts early and continues as children grow, with reading aloud, sharing books and much loved bedtime stories. Research shows that parental involvement continues to be important well into the teenage years and even into adulthood. The home-school agreement states parents/carers will 'support my child with homework & other home learning opportunities and listen to my child read'.

We want to encourage every child in the school to read regularly and often and we have a large number of ideas to support this. Happening this term will be the following:

- Every newsletter will have a small section devoted to reading
- Extending the range of newspapers & magazines taken in school – we have subscribed to First News (www.firstnews.co.uk) and Storytime (www.storytimemagazine.com)
- Reading reward raffle – three pupils names will be selected at random every Friday – if their reading record/planner shows evidence of having been heard read by someone at home on four separate occasions in the past week they win a book.
- Reading photo competition – reading in unusual locations!!
- Author visit – 1st March 2016 – Children's author Julia Donaldson ('The Gruffalo', 'Room on the Broom' 'Stick Man') in school – bookselling & signing after school – all welcome to meet this world famous Children's Laureate
- World Book Day – 3rd March 2016 – activities/ dressing up – more details to follow
- 'Barney the Book Bear' – an opportunity to read to Barney at home!!

STOP PRESS – There has been a suspected case of chicken pox in school this week – please be aware.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to speak to us. Have a great weekend!

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Todd
Headteacher