



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 17 March 2023

STEM Recruitment Fair

We would like to extend our thanks once again, to the parents who took part in our Career STEM fair on Tuesday. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and there was some excellent feedback. Please see below some of the comments that the children wrote after the event:

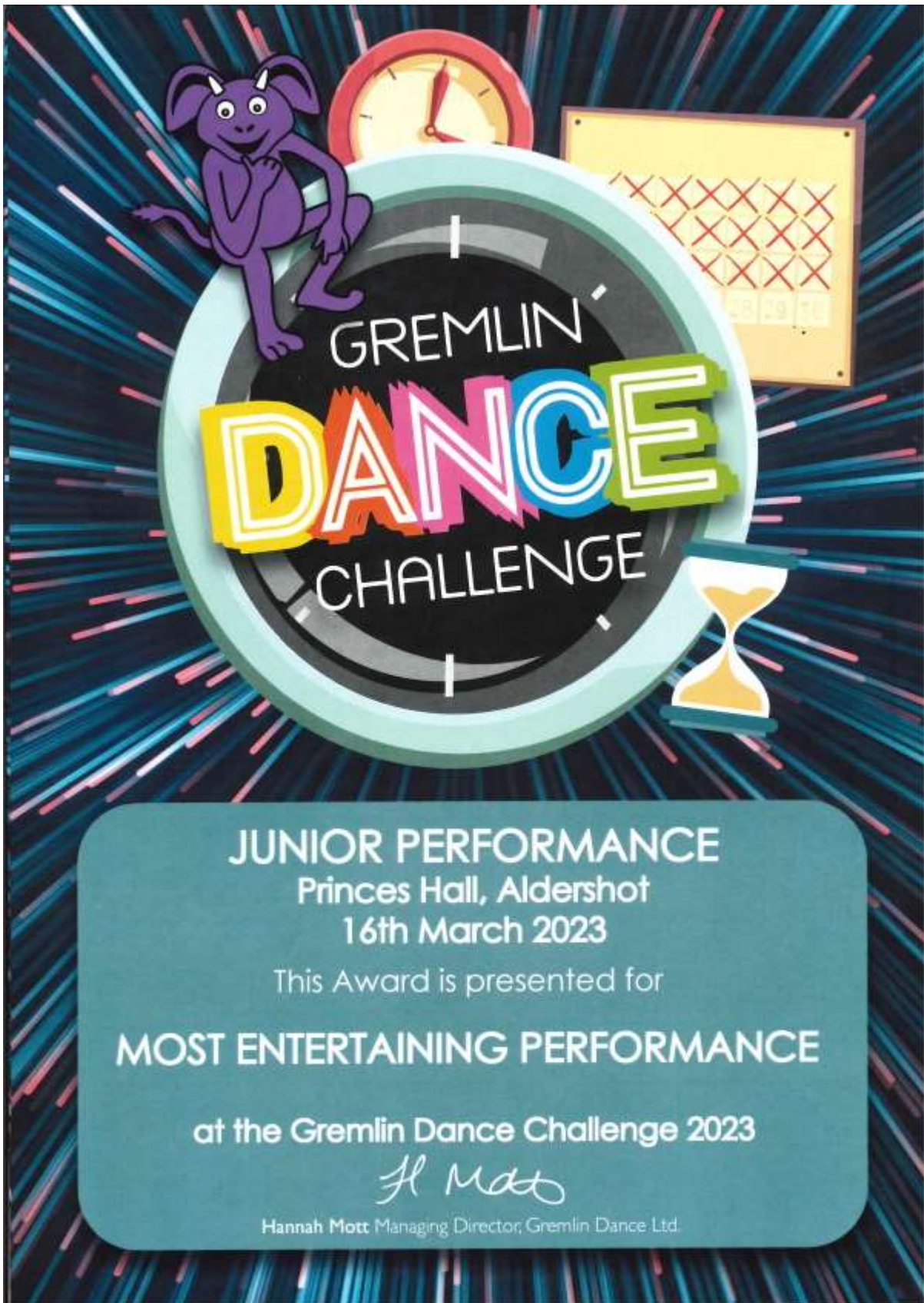
- "One of the jobs was also a designer of internet poles and I found out that there is an internet pole bigger than the Eiffel Tower."
- "There were some really interesting jobs there that I had never heard of before. Some things the volunteers brought in was a part of a chinook and you could see all of the wires."
- "What I enjoyed about the STEM event was that I saw jobs that I didn't know even existed. In some of the jobs that I saw, they can wear trainers and basically anything instead of suits. This made me realise that there is a lot more jobs than I thought. One thing I remember is that one of the volunteers told us that they had to tell the doctors what medicine works and what they need to use."
- "I think the fair was a great opportunity to get to know more about people's jobs and STEM. However, I think it would have been better if we had a longer amount of time and if afterwards, we had some time to choose where to go for some further understanding of a job we want to learn more about."
- "I found it interesting to find out what jobs the people did and how they worked and getting to see some of the equipment was really cool. I particularly liked seeing the RAF man and the amount of wires that was in the small piece of technology. Also, I found it fun to listen through the stethoscope and how loud it was to hear your own heartbeat."



Gremlin Dance Challenge 2023 - Dancing through the decades!

Last night a group of aspiring dancers went on a journey through time as they 'danced in the rain'. The audience felt the 'beat of their tambourines' as they always 'wannabe' the best. They excused our 'bad habits' as they knew we could be 'CRAZY' sometimes. We hope the dancers all had a 'thriller' of a time as the audience loved it so much, they 'want you back' next year!

Miss Orchard and Miss Oldham were very proud to accompany these wonderful performers to Princes Hall theatre. They worked extremely hard to perfect a complicated routine that included 8 songs from 1950 through to 2020! They loved working with such hard working and enthusiastic children and want to congratulate them on their well-earned achievement of 'Most Entertaining' performance. It has certainly been most entertaining working with them all and we hope everyone who came to support enjoyed it as much as we did! Well done!



JUNIOR PERFORMANCE

Princes Hall, Aldershot
16th March 2023

This Award is presented for

MOST ENTERTAINING PERFORMANCE

at the Gremlin Dance Challenge 2023

H Mott

Hannah Mott Managing Director, Gremlin Dance Ltd.

HSCA News

The HSCA Events team would like to thank all the children for their excellent shopping skills at the Mother's Day sales this week, in total we sold more than 1,000 bags! It was great being back in school and we hope all the mums, grans and aunties have a very special day on Sunday.

Thanks also to all the parents who came to the second-hand uniform sale last week, which was very successful, with over £300 made. The next uniform sales will be at the Summer Fair on Saturday 24th June. Please remember the green uniform donation 'bins' are outside both school offices, so donations can be dropped off any day.

Now we turn our focus to the Hook Beer Festival which is just over a week away. Tickets are still on sale and volunteers are still needed - go to www.pta-events.co.uk/hasca

The HSCA Events Team

STEM Workshop at Alton School

As part of National Science week, a group of Year 5 children visited Alton School for a STEM workshop on Tuesday. This was an exciting enrichment opportunity which included the children carrying out various experiments related to reactions of the human body, including How to find your blind spot and Testing your pupil and knee jerk reflex. The children were particularly amazed to discover that if they stood against the wall with their arm pressed hard against it, when they walked away, their arm would continue its ascent upwards! A fun time as had by all.

Thank you!

Thanks to a parent of a child in Year 4, we shall shortly have a fully charged STEM kit for use in school. The parent kindly entered a competition on our behalf and was picked out as a winner!

Lost item

We have recently had a mobile phone handed in; if you think this might belong to you please speak to a member of the office team, giving a description of your missing phone.

Music Achievement

Congratulations to Noah H, Daniel P and Jun L who have passed their ABRSM violin exams with Merit and Distinction. A fantastic achievement, well done!

Mrs D Wakefield

Basingstoke Junior Bison Ice Hockey Team

The above team is open to players of all skill levels, providing a supportive and inclusive environment for all players. Further information is provided on the flyer below.

Support Staff Vacancy – still open for applications

We are looking to increase our team of lunchtime supervisors; please see below for further details.

Lunchtime Supervisor

We are looking to recruit a friendly, caring person who enjoys working with children to join our hard working and supportive team of Lunchtime Supervisors. The position involves working from 11.45am until 1.30pm on four or five days of the week.

For further details of either post and an application pack, please contact the school office via email or call 01256 762468.

Stars of the Week

Year 3: Jack G, Benny E, Sidney M, Archie H,

Year 4: Jack H, Harry M, Hope M, Ivy H-G

Year 5: Amber P, Pearl M, Bethany L, Esme S

Year 6: Chloe S, Darius S, Riley P, Abigail S

House Points this week

Austen 216

Brunel 206

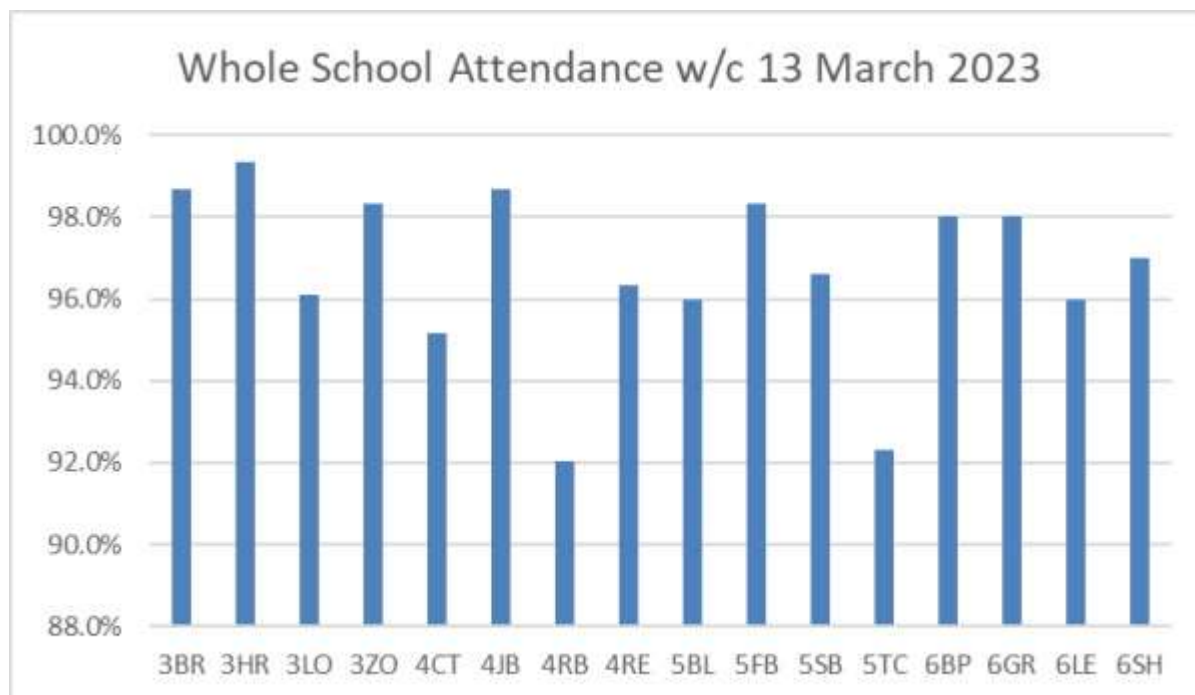
Nightingale 230

Wellington 258

House point winners this week: Wellington

Reading Raffle Winner: George F, 3ZO

Attendance



Whole school attendance this week: 96.69%

Find out more...

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Key Dates – New dates added since the last Newsletter appear in green

20 Mar Young Shakespeare Company performing to Year 5 & 6 (letter sent on 7 Feb)

21 Mar 3ZO London Trip (rearranged from 8 March) form sent on 13 March

20-23 Mar SCARF PSHE Workshops in school (information sent on 16 March)

22 Mar Biggest Ever Girls' Football Match – during lunchtime (letter sent 16 March)

23 Mar Iron Age workshop with Year 3

24 Mar Iron Age workshop with Year 3

25 Mar HSCA Beer Festival

27 Mar Year 6 Learning Event – 6BP and 6SH, 2pm – 3pm

28 Mar Easter Service to Parents – 3HR and 3LO

28 Mar Year 4 Learning Event, 2.15pm – 3pm

29 Mar Easter Service to Parents – 3ZO and 3BR

29 Mar Year 6 Learning Event – 6GR and 6LE, 2pm – 3pm

30 Mar Year 6 SATs Parent Meeting (information sent on 7 February)

31 Mar End of Spring Term - 1:30pm finish

3 Apr Easter Holiday

17 Apr Summer Term – Back to school

17 Apr Year 4 Viking Workshop – 4JB and 4RE (Viking Dress-up Day)

18 Apr Year 4 Viking Workshop – 4RB and 4CT (Viking Dress-up Day)

19 April Coffee Morning for parents of children in Year 3 to 6

24 Apr Inter-house cross country (PE kit for whole school)

4 May King's Coronation Lunch Menu

8 May Bank Holiday – The King's Coronation

9 - 12 May Year 6 SATS

21 May Hook Fun Run

22 May Inter-house sports

23 May Year 6 Marchants Hill and Sex and Relationships Education Meeting for parents

29 May Summer Half Term

15 Jun Father's Day Sale – Junior School

16 Jun Bag2School collection

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- 19 Jun** Sports Day
- 22 Jun** Year 4 Trip to Lepe Beach (4JB and 4RE)
- 23 Jun** Year 4 Trip to Lepe Beach (4CT and 4RB)
- 24 Jun** HSCA Summer Fair
- 26 Jun** Year 6 Transition Day to Robert May's School
- 27 Jun** Year 6 Transition Day to Robert May's School
- 4 Jul** Year 6 Production
- 6 Jul** Year 6 Production
- 7 Jul** Annual pupil reports circulated to parents
- 10 Jul** Year 6 Residential Trip to Marchants Hill
- 18 Jul** Strawberry Tea
- 18 Jul** HSCA End of Year Disco (Years 3,4 and 5)
- 20 Jul** Year 6 Leaver Assembly
- 20 Jul** Year 6 Leavers Festival
- 21 Jul** End of Summer Term – 1:30 finish
- 24 Jul** Summer Holiday
- 16 Oct** Year 6 Residential Trip to Marchants Hill
- 4 Nov** HSCA Firework Show
- 2 Dec** HSCA Christmas Fair

Safeguarding your children is our priority. Please contact the schools Designated Safeguarding Leads, either Mrs L Martin (Headteacher), Mrs N Bailey (Deputy Headteacher), Miss J Carne (Inclusion Leader) or Miss E Smith (SENDCo) with any concerns. Further Safeguarding information and support can be found via www.NSPCC.org.uk or Childline 0800 1111

Any concerns may also be raised directly with Hampshire County Council Children's services phone line (anonymously if you wish) by calling 0300 555 1384. Keeping our children safe is everyone's responsibility.

WANT TO LEARN TO PLAY ICE HOCKEY?

FASTEST TEAM SPORT IN THE WORLD

SKATING ABILITIES?

ALL SKATING ABILITIES FROM
NOVICE TO ADVANCED

WHO?

KIDS AGED 5 TO 15 YEARS OLD

WHERE?

PLANET ICE, BASINGSTOKE



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