

Dear Parents and Carers,

*Welcome / Accogliere*

We have chicks in school! The children and staff have been very excited to see them hatch and watch how they grow! This is supporting our **scientific learning** in school especially in Year 2 where the children have to find out about changes in living things. The chicks are with us until next Friday, if you would like to rehome them do please pop into the office [we have 3 roosters and 6 hens].

Over the next 3 weeks we have a lot of exciting events, please see overleaf for the dates and how you can support the children to enjoy their time in school. We do ask for donations to support our school fund, we then use all the profits to purchase exciting resources for the children including experiences like the chicks.

Have a lovely Spring weekend.

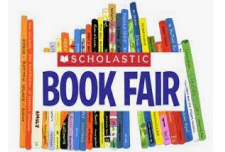
Best wishes, Mrs Rae Lee [Headteacher]



*Scholastic Book Fair!*

This week **Scholastic Book Fair** have been in school and will be here until **Wednesday 16th March**. Each class had an allocated book look slot and I believe they had a photo taken and uploaded onto **Tapestry** with the book they would love to own. We are happy to take orders or the company website can be used to place an order, please see: <https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/travelling-books/parents>

This is a great fundraising initiative because the school will receive 40% of the sales which again we will use to buy new books for the children. **Thank you in advance for your support.**



*Pre School / Scuola Materna*

**Pre School** have been interested in growth this week, the children loved looking at the eggs and the chicks in school and have been looking after their tomato seeds in the preschool room. We have seen some marvellous **mark making** by the children both labelling the pots for the seedlings and after seeing the chicks. Next week, the children will enjoy holding the chicks.

*Year R / Anno R*

This week in **Class 1 and 2** we have been using our **phonic** knowledge to write labels and captions for our 'Supertato' story. In **maths** we have been exploring ways to make a total of 10 with two numbers using ten frames and thinking about one more and one fewer using lots of hands-on resources to support our understanding of this concept. In our **enquiry** learning we have been comparing Huntingdon and London and thinking about the similarities and differences between these places. In **art** we have been using pencils to explore mark making and looking at some of Pablo Picasso's early pencil sketches and drawings to inspire us! **Next week**, we will be thinking about different media to make marks linked to Picasso.

*Year 1 / Anno 1*

In **Class 3 and 4**, we have been super excited to see our new chick arrivals! In **English** we have been using our **phonics** to write many different adjectives to describe Gerald the giraffe's looks and feelings. **Maths** has involved us writing related addition and subtraction facts, which we have had to be real Perseverance Parrots with. **Next week**, we will be using the adjectives, we have looked at this week, to write sentences about Gerald. In **maths** we will be looking at numbers to 50 and how we can represent these.

*Year 2 / Anno 2*

In **Class 5 and 6** we have enjoyed our new **English** text 'The Pea and the Princess' by Mini Grey. It was great for the children to see that the pea took centre stage as the main character. Of course, they loved painting their own pea and putting it in its own special box. In **geography** we learnt about Wales as a country with a capital city and watched Barney Bear take the train to enjoy the mountain views. I wonder which country we will visit next? **Next week**, in **maths** we will be recalling multiplication and division facts for 2, 5 and 10 and continue to enjoy experimenting with stippling and blending techniques just like some of the paintings of Pablo Picasso in our **art** lessons.

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*Dates for Diary/Date per il Diaric*

Friday 18th March	<b>Red Nose Day</b> [children come in red clothes and wear red noses for a <b>small donation to the charity</b> ]
Tuesday 22nd & Thursday 24th March	<b>Spring Term Parent Consultations</b> [please look out for an email with a link to a survey to book a time slot with your class teacher]
Week beginning 28th March	YR [Class 1 & 2] <b>Easter Concert</b> [on video via YouTube to be released]
Friday 25th March [change of date]	<b>Easter Fete</b> [in school Easter Activities including a visit to see the Hartford Easter Bunny, £3 donation for goodie bag and sweet treat]
Friday 1st April	Term Ends and <b>Easter Bonnet Parade</b> [children bring in Easter bonnets and parade in them at the end of the school day]

*How to achieve the GLD in Year R/  
Come Raggiungere il GLD Nell'anno R*

For parents with children in Year R [Class 1 and 2] Mrs Eagle has recorded a workshop which is on our [YouTube site](https://youtu.be/Lj9mKV0W4ys) and is available through this link: <https://youtu.be/Lj9mKV0W4ys>. This video will support you in understanding the **Early Years Foundation Stage Profile** [EYFSP] and how to support your child to achieve the *Good Level of Development* [GLD] at the end of the academic year.

*Spring Parent Consultations/  
Consultazioni primaverili per i genitori*

On **Tuesday 22nd** and **Thursday 24th** of **March** we will be holding our **Spring Parent Consultation** via phone [as we did with the Autumn calls]. Please click on the link below to ensure that you arrange a suitable time to speak with the class teacher about your child's progress. We will also send out the targets on **Friday 18th March** so that you know how to support your child appropriately. We will also discuss attendance at this meeting. **PLEASE** can you make a note of the day/time and know that the calls will come from a private number as staff will use their own phones to contact you.

*WANTED empty containers/  
CERCASI contenitori vuoti*



We need **cardboard cylinder containers with lids** for the children to make musical instruments on our forthcoming Sparky Start Day after Easter. **Thank you in advance for your support.**

- Class 1**, Mrs Eagle- <https://forms.office.com/r/iBv170dNT7>
- Class 2**, Mrs Wiltshire & Miss Reid- <https://forms.office.com/r/8hHZy5acRa>
- Class 3**, Mrs Shaw & Mrs Turner- <https://forms.office.com/r/8Tu02gftzV>
- Class 4**, Mrs Beecher- <https://forms.office.com/r/ezPTj3x7d3>
- Class 5**, Mrs Smith- <https://forms.office.com/r/kdSKwswr7v>
- Class 6**, Mrs Du Toit & Miss Adams- <https://forms.office.com/r/p6qrEGL1eM>

*Red Nose Day/Giorno del Naso Rosso*



On **Friday 18th March** the children can come to school wearing bright colour clothes but mainly red, they can bring in red noses too! One of our **School Councillors** also came up with the fantastic idea of creating a **Hartford Infant and Preschool Joke Book**, so the children are also invited to **bring in a joke** to share with their classmates and be put into the book [preferably written] and a donation.

*Easter Tombola/Tombola di Pasqua*

We would love **Easter Egg donations** for our Tombola [the children love bringing them in, estimating and counting the total and of course winning! To be in with a chance to win, tickets will be on sale for **50p each** or a **strip of 5 tickets for £2.00**. Please send money in a **clearly named envelope** to the school office. The Tombola will be drawn during the last week of term. **Good Luck!**

*Easter Fete/Festa di Pasqua*

On **Friday 25th March**, we will hold our annual **Easter Fete** in the hall for the children. Each child will have the opportunity to engage with a variety of fun Easter themed activities, they can meet our resident **Hartford Easter Bunny** and every child will receive a **small goody bag** including a chocolate Easter treat. To support us please can the children **bring in £3**. We will plough all the profit into the school to purchase more exciting resources to support their learning. **Thank you for your support.**

