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Dates for your Diary

04/05/26	May bank holiday
11/05/26	SATs week
15/05/26	School Disco
22/05/26	End of term and non school uniform
01/06/26	Back to school
04/06/26	Ancient Egyptian workshop
05/06/26	Year 6 Winchester Military museum trip
09/06/26	The little recyclers clothing collection
16/06/25	Trinity year 5 taster day
23/06/26	Sports Day
24/06/26	Kennet year 5 taster day
26/06/26	PDSA Summer fair
10/07/26	PDSA Chalk fest
07/07/26	Sports day back up date

In the past month at Parsons Down...

Attendance has remained strong across the school this academic year, with EYFS and Key Stage 1 at 95%, and Key Stage 2 at 94%.

Our pupils have been busy with engaging learning experiences across the curriculum. Year 2 have been exploring local habitats, while Year 5 have been designing and making phone cases as part of their DT project.

We were delighted to welcome PC Caine and PC Downes from the Thatcham Neighbourhood Policing Team, who led an informative assembly. They spoke to pupils about the role of the police, staying safe online, anti-social behaviour, and basic bike and scooter safety.

To celebrate World Book Day, we held a Bake Off competition. Congratulations to our winners—Josh (KS1) and Jennifer (KS2)—who each received a voucher for The Entertainer.

Our Eco-Council has been hard at work improving the school environment. They sowed wildflower seeds on the roundabout. Recently, we also planted five fruit trees in the meadow area—one cherry, two apple, and two pear trees. A big thank you to George (a former PDP pupil), Mrs Dickie, and our dedicated Twilighters for their help. We look forward to harvesting the fruit in years to come!

Just before Easter, a team of staff and volunteers took 50 pupils from Years 3–6 to the annual cross-country event at the showground. We are incredibly proud of all who took part and the encouragement they showed one another—truly embodying our values of being kind and respectful.

Our school photographer, Creative Click, recently visited to take class photos. Your child should have brought home a card with a personal access code for purchasing these.

Please note that a non-school uniform day will take place on the last day of term, 22nd May. Further details will follow.

We were also thrilled with the fantastic entries to this year’s PDSA Easter Plate competition. The creativity on display was exceptional! Our School Council had the difficult task of judging and awarded:

- **KS1 Winner:** Jasmine (Year 2)
- **KS1 Runners-up:** George & Christopher (Year 1)
- **KS2 Winner:** Nicola (Year 6)
- **KS2 Runners-up:** Charles (Year 5) & Erica (Year 4)

Both winners received a £10 voucher for The Entertainer—congratulations! Thank you to everyone who contributed the £1 entry fee and for your continued support of PDSA events.

Finally, as always—be kind, be safe, be respectful. Miss Mills

The Past month in Pictures

A sample of photos from the Easter bonnet parade, children making phone cases, cross country, Police visit and our paper plate competition.

