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Friday Flier



Children in Need Day

Thank you for supporting this appeal. Altogether we raised an amazing £241 for this very worthwhile charity. Thank you very much for helping us to make a difference.

Year R Starting School Next Year: September 2023

The online Admissions Portal is now open which will enable you to select a place for your child to start school next year. To apply for school place, please click on this link: [Apply for a Year R Place](#)

Year 2 Children Transferring to Junior School Next Year

A reminder that this is not automatic and you need to make an application for your child's Year 3 place. Please go to [Apply for a Year 3 Place](#). You must apply to Hampshire County Council even if you wish to apply for schools in another local authority.

If you do not live in Hampshire (including Portsmouth and West Sussex) you must apply through your home local authority. Please click on the link below which takes you to the letter from Hampshire Admissions which we sent out in October [Applying for a Year 3 Place](#). Failure to apply on time (the deadline for applications is **midnight on Friday 15 January 2023**) could result in you missing out on your first preference choice.

This May Help: Advice for supporting your child's mental health

This May Help has been created to support parents and carers with concerns about their child's mental health. [This May Help](#)

Thank you

What generous parents we have! Last week we had a mufty day in exchange for sweets, alcohol or crafty items and we received so many lovely donations.

Another one of our carpenter parents, Rhea Tilley from AG Carpentry (07932228428), responded to our call for help to make us a frame for our Elf on the Shelf Game and we were quickly in receipt of this lovely structure. We were so impressed that we then asked her to make us a "Candy Cane Alley!"

Events such as the Christmas Fayre and Markets cannot take place without the help and support of our parents. Currently the PTFA is low in their membership with only two people going out shopping for over 1,500 presents! We need more members. Even if you can only help for the odd half hour or hour, this is still beneficial as the more people we have, the easier it becomes. We will be sending out requests for help as they arise so please do try to help if you possibly can. All monies raised benefit your children. A Google form was sent out yesterday asking for help on the day of the Fayre. If you are able to help and you have not yet signed up, please click on the following link: [Fayre Helper form](#)



Dates for the remainder of the term

We have today sent out a list of **planned dates** for your diary. We will try to keep to these dates but sometimes it is necessary to make changes due to circumstances that are beyond our control. Where a change has to be made, we will always try to give you as much notice as possible. These dates are intended to highlight forthcoming events and further information will be relayed nearer the time, if necessary.

No library: Tuesday 22 November

Please note that due to some interior works taking place that the library will not be open before school on Tuesday morning.

Head Lice

We have had a number of reported cases across the school, particularly in Year 1. Please check your child's head over the weekend and treat as necessary. We are still advised that the most effective way of removing head lice is using the wet-combing method as described below.

- Wash the hair using ordinary shampoo and apply ample conditioner, before using a wide-toothed comb to straighten and untangle the hair
- Once the comb moves freely through the hair without dragging, switch to the louse detection comb. Make sure that the teeth of the comb slot into the hair at the roots with the bevel-edge of the teeth lightly touching the scalp
- Draw the comb down to the ends of the hair with every stroke and check the comb for lice
- Remove lice by wiping or rinsing the comb
- Work methodically through the hair section by section so that the whole head of hair is combed through
- Rinse out conditioner and repeat the combing procedure on the wet hair
- Repeat the procedure on day five, nine and thirteen in order to clear the young lice as they hatch, before they have had time to reach maturity. It is extremely important that you repeat on the days advised above.

If you do choose to use a chemical method, your child does not need to remain at home for the whole day. They can return to school after treatment, even if slightly late.

Forest School Session Clothing

Please can you ensure that you send your child to school with wellies and waterproof clothing on their Forest School day as they will be going outside in light rain. Thank you.

Busy Bees

These children received their Busy Bee Stamp this week and this was celebrated in a year group assembly:

Year R: Ava-Jade Harding, Billy Jeans, Reuben Talbot. **Year 1:** Cordelia Thomas and Alexander Treagust. **Year 2:** Saffron Brett, Archie Fletcher, Evelyn Griffiths, Ava Jarrold, Beau King, Jokabus Lepsevicius, Ethan Pearson, Jack Ward, Ezra Weisner and Evie Young.

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

I am delighted to let you know that the class winners of this week's raffle were:

- Kingfishers' Class
- Blackbirds' Class
- Kestrels' Class

Reporting Absence

A reminder that as well as telephoning the school, you can also report your child's absence via a company called **Studybugs** which enables you to go online via a phone or computer to report your child's absence securely. To get the free Studybugs app, or register on their website go to (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>). If your child is unwell it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

Forest School Sessions

Timetable for this half term was sent out half last term. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door. You are also able to check the timetable by clicking the following link [Autumn B Timetable](#).

Lunch Menu

Next week's menu will be: Week 1. Please click on the following link to access the menu online: [menu](#). Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door and in Wagtails' Class window.

Yours sincerely



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