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Friday Flier



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to Mrs King, our Family Liaison Officer, for organising and hosting this event. I would also like to say thank you to the staff and parents who provided us with such lovely cakes and biscuits for this event. I hope that the parents who came to this event enjoyed it, whilst at the same time raising money for this worthwhile cause. We raised £144.60 cash and £30 online. This takes the total raised so far to £173.60. There is still time to donate online if you wish. Please click on the following link:

<https://coffeefundraising.macmillan.org.uk/fundraising/cm23006395>

Harvest Festival

As previously advised we are once again supporting Waterlooville Food Bank. Thank you to everyone who has already sent in donated items. If you have not yet donated and would like to do so we welcome both tinned and fresh items on Monday which the children should take into their classes. Please do not take items to the school office. Food items will be collected by Waterlooville Food Bank and will be distributed to people in the local area who, because of a crisis in their lives are struggling to provide for themselves and/or their families.

Opportunity to try a School Lunch – Thursday 05 October:

Next Thursday the school caterers are providing the children with the opportunity to sample a school lunch. The choices available are:

- Margherita Pizza and diced potatoes or ham carbonara
- Chocolate sponge (fresh fruit will also be available)

All children will automatically be signed up for this lunch. However, they may also bring in their own packed lunch but still sample items on offer. There will be no pressure to taste the food, it will be offered and they can try any of the food items they wish. Children with special diets have been contacted separately.

Wednesday lunch (swapped)

Please note that the lunch on Wednesday will be either:

- Quorn Chicken pieces in a Yorkshire pudding or
- Sliced beef with Yorkshire pudding. Both options will be served with roast potatoes and vegetables of the day

Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant Vacancy: Term Time Only – Starting Salary £10.50 per hour (pay award pending)

We currently require a supervisory assistant to start after half term. Ideally, we would like someone to work Monday to Friday but we would be willing to consider a job share. If you would like to apply for the position as a lunchtime supervisory assistant, please collect an application form from the school office or leave your details and one can be emailed to you. Hours to be worked are approximately 12.10am -1.15pm. We also require casual assistants to cover in the event of staff absence.

Parking around the School Site

Please can I ask parents to be mindful when they are dropping off and collecting their children at the beginning and the end of the day. Please can you ensure that you are not blocking their driveways, even if you are only going to be a few minutes. The school office has, unfortunately, been receiving complaints from local residents who have been unable to exit/enter their driveways and have had to wait for parents to return to their cars.

Second-hand Uniform

We have a large selection of second-hand uniform which is available for you to purchase (via an honesty box). This is located in the reception lobby. With ever increasing costs, this is worth a look before purchasing new uniform.

Nut allergies

As we have a number of children in school with a wide variety of allergies, which for some includes an intolerance to nuts. Please could we ask that when you pack your child's lunch you avoid obvious nut-based snacks and fillings, such as peanut butter.

Coats

Please can you ensure that your child comes to school every day with a coat as the weather is very changeable at the moment.

Year R/1/2 Phonics and Reading Meetings/Workshops: Monday 02 October 2.00pm and 6.00pm

A reminder that Miss Wigmore, will be running these informative sessions. A letter was sent out yesterday which enabled you to book onto one of these meetings. Please click on the link below to access a copy of the letter and booking form. [Phonics and Reading Letter](#)

Year 1 Number Sense Meetings/Workshops: Thursday 05 October 6.00pm and Monday 09 October 9.00am

A letter for this was sent out today. Please click on the link below to access a copy of the letter and booking form. [NumberSense Letter](#)

Christmas cards

Today your child will be bringing home artwork which is needed if you wish to purchase Christmas cards. **Please note that this artwork must be returned to the school as without it, the cards cannot be reproduced.** Please refer to the letter that was sent out earlier today [Christmas Card Letter](#)

Nasal Flu Vaccination (taking place in school)

Earlier this term we sent out a ParentMail which will enable you to give consent and receive information about the vaccine. Please see copy of the details below.

School Code: SH115937: Session date: **Wednesday 18 October**

Link to website: [Winter Flu Vaccination programme : Hampshire Healthy Families](#)

Busy Bees

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

Year R: *Harry Brooker, Ernie-Jay Donohoe Marsh, Freddy Foster, Jensen Morley.* **Year 2:** *Nancy Jones, Dolly Martin-Tyler, Sanaya Ahmed.*

These children finished their busy bee certificates and have received a Busy Bee Motif which can be sewed onto their jumpers/cardigans: Pearl Baldacchino and Oscar Pearce.

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

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

- Woodpeckers' Class
- Owls' 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 has already been sent out. 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 A 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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