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Friday Flier



Starting School in September 2024

If your child is 4 or will turn before 1 September 2024, they can start school in September. If you have not already applied for a place, you need to do so by Monday 15 January. Hampshire residents should apply via the online portal: www.hants.gov.uk/admissions. Other residents should apply to their own Council, for example Portsmouth City Council or West Sussex Council.

Opportunity to try a School Lunch – Thursday 18 January

Next Thursday the school caterers are providing the children with the opportunity to sample a school lunch and samples of other lunch options. The choices available are:

- Baked Fish Fingers served with chips and vegetables of the day or:
- Sweet potato and lentil curry with a blend of brown and white rice
- Shortbread
- Tasters items of pizza and vegetable goujons will also be on offer

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 on the table and they can try any of the food items they wish.

Change of Lunch Option: Friday 19 January

The choices available are:

- Sliced beef and Yorkshire pudding served with roast and vegetables of the day or:
- Quorn chicken pieces in a Yorkshire pudding served with roast and vegetables of the day
- Lemon drizzle sponge

Year 2 Trip to Historic Dockyard

A reminder that consent forms and your voluntary contribution should be received by Wednesday 17 January. All consent forms must be returned in order for your child to take part in this visit, unless you pay online where consent is automatically given. Please be aware that if a significant number of places are not paid for we will be unable to offer this trip or others like it in the future.

Library Stocktake: All books to be returned

We will be having a stocktake of the books we hold in our school library. You will have noticed when reading the library books with your child that some books belong to the school and some are on loan from the School Library Service.

In order to complete the full stocktake we will need **all** library books to be returned to your child's class teacher by Monday 29 January. Please note that the school will be charged for any books that are not returned. Can we kindly ask for you to have a thorough search at home and also bring in any outstanding books that you find.

No before or after school library

As this process will take us a while to complete it is necessary to cancel the extra library sessions on Monday after school and Tuesday/Thursday before school starting the week commencing 29 January. These sessions will recommence the week commencing 19 February.

Parent Anxiety Workshop: Thursday 18 January 9.00am - 10.30am

As part of the Whole School Approach offer with the Mental Health Support Team, we facilitate Parent Anxiety Workshops. The workshops cover some basic psychoeducation on worry and what worry looks like for our children and young people. It also explains some basic strategies for parents to implement at home to help children and young people who have worries. If you would like to attend, please fill in the Google Form by clicking the following link: [Parent Anxiety Workshop](#)

NHS Guidance: Is my child too ill for school?

It is usually safe for parents and carers to send their children to school with mild illnesses, like a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat. However, children should stay at home if they have a high temperature of 38C or above. The NHS has published guidance to help parents and carers decide whether their child is well enough to attend school, which we have been asked to share with our parents.

This provides information on a range of common childhood illnesses and conditions, such as coughs, colds, chickenpox and headlice. Please click the link to access the guidance on their website: [NHS Website](#)

Busy Bees

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

Year R: *River Hopkins and Connie Louth.* **Year 1:** *Isla Ferguson, Ava Jade Harding, Ellis Kerridge and Aurelia Lowe.*

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

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

- Kingfishers' Class
- Doves' Class
- Kestrels' Class – highest number of tokens we have ever seen

Bronze Prefects

All our prefects have been doing an amazing job and also seem to be enjoying the responsibility. The first bronze badges have now been awarded to the following children and we look forward to the next round where we will be able to issue more badges. In assembly today, we talked to the children about disappointment and resilience. The children will get their prefect badges in due course, but some of the jobs take longer and some of them have not started yet. If they didn't get a badge today, they know it's because they do not always do as they should in their learning time.

- Jennifer Blower, Brayden Burton, Molly O'Connor, Archie Pearce, Oscar Pearce, Nyah Perry, Aurora Preston, Evie-Rae Reynolds, Charlie Stoyles, Ava Vye, Orlah Wallace and Thomas Whitehouse.

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: [Spring 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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