



End of Term Newsletter

Here we are at the end of another busy half term. All the children have settled in well and have been working so hard they definitely deserve a well earned rest.

School Photos

The school photographer will be in on Friday 11th November to take individual and sibling photographs. Letters will come home in the first week back from half term to confirm siblings and their classes so we are able to organise the day.



Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to come in and speak to their child's teachers this week. I hope you found this time beneficial and to hear how your child has settled into their new classes and year groups. There was a lovely buzz around the school.

A massive thank you to some of our prefects who helped on these evenings. I hope you found them polite and helpful!



Year R Halloween Parent session

Year R children are being invited to dress up in Halloween costumes for the day as we will be inviting parents in to join them for a Halloween activity session with the children. Unfortunately, due to space in the classrooms we will only be able to accommodate one parent per child and no younger siblings.

Reading Raffle

This term's Reading Raffle was a great success. We had lots of tickets in the raffle pots which means lots of children are reading at least 4 times a week at home. Our winners came and chose a book of their choice and as you can see they are super happy with their prizes. Make sure you are reading with your child at least 4 times a week and handing your reading record in on Friday in order to be in for a chance to win! Well done!



Christmas dates for you diary

Dare we say the 'C' word??? After we come back from the half term break we will already be thinking about practising for all of the lovely Christmas performances. We haven't been able to do this properly since being in the new school and so this year will be even more exciting for the children. More information will follow in November but in the meantime the dates for your diaries are below:

Nursery and Year R performances will be on

Thursday 1st December at 10am & 2pm

Friday 2nd December 10am

Year 1 and Year 2 performances will be on

Monday 5th December 10am and 2pm

Wednesday 7th December 10am

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 8th December

St Mary's Church Christmas Service

Monday 12th December

Christmas Disco

Wednesday 14th December

Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 3.30pm - 4.15pm

Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 4.30pm - 5.30pm



Great South Run

We had four members of staff take part in the Great South Run on Sunday, all finishing in fantastic times. Mrs McKnight from the Office, Mrs Johnson, Mrs McGuire and Miss Murphy all from the Year 1 team.

Well done ladies! What an amazing achievement and a huge congratulations to Mrs McKnight in raising £1000 for SCOPE charity.



Year 2 Work Gallery

Year 2 have had a Parent Gallery to showcase their homework projects and some work from school. At home, they made a 3D castle out of various media and materials. Parents and carers also saw a piece of work completed in school about Arundel Castle and a piece of art that recreated Paul Klee's castle in the sun. Both adults and children had a wonderful time sharing their learning from this half term.





Poppy Appeal Merchandise

In the first week back we will be selling our annual Poppy Appeal Merchandise. Suggested amounts are £1 each for the reflectors and zip pulls, £1.50 for the slap bands and wrist bands. Please send children in with the correct money as it will go straight into the poppy collection pot which we have no access to.



Mrs Richardson and her new baby

It was lovely to see Mrs Richardson in school this week with baby Imogen. Children and staff were so happy to see them both, she is a real cutie.



TT Rockstars Launch Day

This week Years 3,4, 5 and 6 we have been getting back into using Times Table Rockstars to help us learn our times tables in a fun and exciting way! We have started a new competition where each class is competing against each other! Each week, the winning class will be announced and they will win a small prize and claim The Morgan Multiplication Cup, in honour of our wonderful governor Lesley Morgan. At the end of the term, the class who has won the most weeks will win a larger prize for the class to enjoy - (pizza and film has been a popular request!). To celebrate this launch, we have channelled our inner rock star and dressed up as our TT Rockstars avatar! Take a look at some of the wonderful outfits!

This week the 'Morgans Multiplication Cup' went to 6HL, they totally rocked it this week!







Mr Denford

Some sad news for us but fantastic news for Mr Denford, after gaining his teaching degree this year he has secured himself a PE teaching role in a secondary school in Hampshire and so will be leaving us at the end of term in December ready to start his new role in January. He will be greatly missed by staff and children but we wish him well in his new venture. Well done Mr Denford!

All after school clubs run by Mr Denford will still continue in our school for the rest of the term and beyond.



New Menu

The school menu will be changing to our Autumn/Winter menu on 31st October starting back on Week 1. If your child is in Years, R,1 and 2 they are entitled to a free meal, if they are in Years 3,4,5 and 6 the cost is £2.34 per day unless your child is entitled to a Free School Meal. If you think your circumstances may have changed and you wish to apply for free school meals please click on the link www.portsmouth.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/schools/school-meals/



Plastic Bottle Plea

After half term we are hoping that every child is going to be able to make a Poppy and create an amazing display for Remembrance day. We need 2 litre plastic bottles, one for every child in the school so if you have any lying around at home over the break please save them and bring them into school on the first day back.



Dates for your diary

Year 4 Winchester Trip

Tuesday 1st November 4TD

Wednesday 9th November 4AW

Thursday 10th November 4LG

Inset Days

Friday 25th November

Friday 16th December

Tuesday 3rd January

Friday 31st March

Break up for Christmas and Thursday 15th December will sadly be the last day for the Legend that is Miss Stocks!!!!!!

Dates for
the Diary: