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Newsletter

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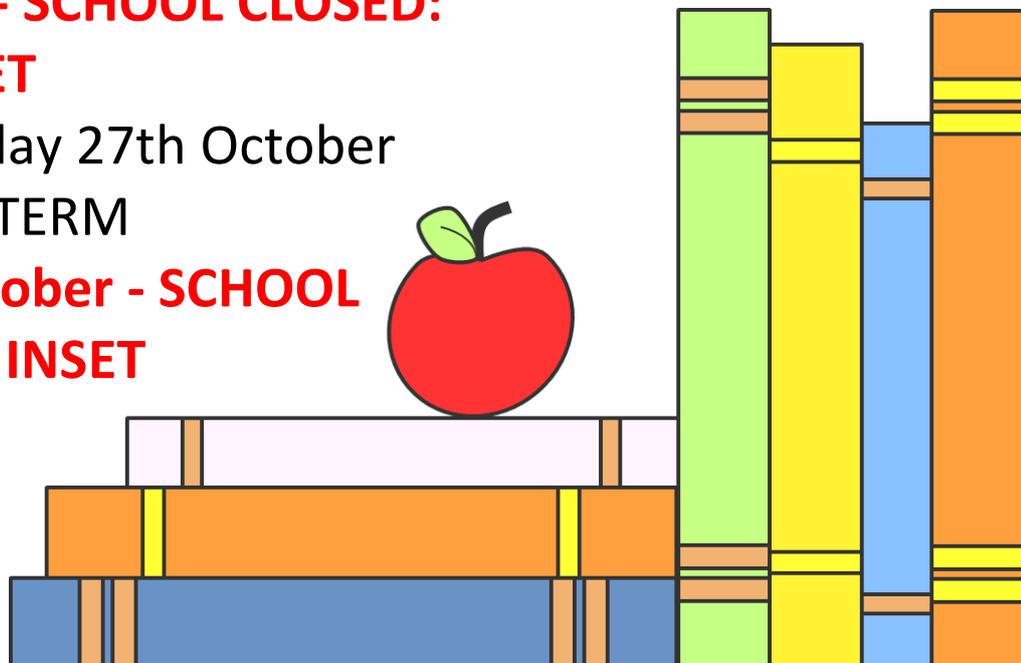
Friday 20th October - SCHOOL CLOSED:

INSET

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October

HALF TERM

**Monday 30th October - SCHOOL
CLOSED: INSET**



A message from

Mrs Jones

What a month September has been!

Science week was just fantastic with visits to Marwell, the Planetarium visiting from Winchester Science and Technology Centre as well as a scientist visit that came to work with Year 4 on Sound. There were lots of experiments going on throughout the week – from making goo to plotting the solar system in our school hall using food items – see below!



Science week was closely followed by our OFSTED inspection and we are expecting our report to be published sometime next week. Thank you to all the parents who completed the parental survey.

We are excited about our forthcoming whole school enquiry which is based around the picture book *Windows*. This explores environmental issues that face our world and hopefully will be a thought provoking and challenging book for the children to investigate. We are launching the enquiry with a dress up day – the theme being something to do with the environment – an animal, a plant or simply wearing something green. In return if the children can bring in a £1 to go towards adopting an animal voted for by the school as well as contributing to the curriculum provision we currently offer.

We have Harvest Festival on the 19th October. If you are able to offer a donation towards the local Hedge End Food Bank we would be very grateful.

Much of our PPA time is now being covered by Mr Kris Richards. Mr Richards is a qualified teacher who specialises in PE and Outdoor Learning. Please can we ask that children have a pair of wellies or 'rough' shoes as well as a waterproof jacket/coat in school? Although one side of our hut is used as an outdoor classroom we do try and encourage Outdoor learning whatever the weather. Any outgrown cagoules and wellies that could be donated to the school would be really appreciated.

I am sorry I keep asking for things - we are continually grateful for your support!

Best wishes,

Mrs Jones



Rewards



Learner of the Week Friday 8th September 2017

- Georgia-Ann Fry in Lion Class who has flexed her 'independence' muscle.
- Noah Emery-Poolton in Zebra Class who has flexed his 'listening' muscle.
- Brook Glasspool in Dolphin Class who flexed her 'perseverance' muscle.
- Alfie Smith in Seahorse Class who has flexed his 'independence' muscle.
- William Henderson in Turtle Class who has flexed his 'capitalising' muscle.
- Bethany Rawlings in 3EA who has flexed her 'perseverance' muscle.
- Alfie Walton in 3JH who has flexed his 'listening' muscle.
- Saya Grewal in 3KS who has flexed her 'independence' muscle.
- Amy Eales in 4HR who has flexed her 'perseverance' muscle.
- Zac Farmer in 4YC who has flexed his 'independence' muscle.
- Bethany Burnett in 5LM who has flexed her 'capitalising' muscle.
- Ralf Makars in 5KK who has flexed his 'managing distractions' muscle.
- Ellie McFarlane in 6CT who have flexed her 'perseverance' muscle.
- Noah Smith in 6JB who have flexed his 'absorption' muscle.

Learner of the Week Friday 15th September 2017

- Thomas Barnes in Lion Class who has flexed his 'capitalising' muscle.
- Charlotte Moran in Zebra Class who has flexed her 'independence' muscle.
- Callum Wood in Dolphin Class who flexed his 'independence' muscle.
- Valentina Garcia-Hortega in Seahorse Class who has flexed her 'independence' muscle.
- Grace Spratley in Turtle Class who has flexed her 'independence' muscle.
- Owen Smith in 3JH who has flexed his 'absorption' muscle.
- Dominic Prowting in 3KS who has flexed his 'perseverance' muscle.
- Alex Bound in 4HR who has flexed his 'making links' muscle.
- Sofia Schmedlin in 4YC who has flexed her 'absorption' muscle.
- TJ Swain in 5LM who has flexed his 'absorption' muscle.
- Jack Webb in 5KK who has flexed his 'revising' muscle.
- Elouise Paterson in 6CT who have flexed her 'independence' muscle.
- James Hemphill in 6JB who have flexed his 'independence' muscle.



Rewards



Learner of the Week
Friday 22nd September 2017

- Ben Musiya in Lion Class who has flexed his 'empathy' muscle.
- Ziggy Beard in Zebra Class who has flexed his 'perseverance' muscle.
- Jason Manning in Dolphin Class who flexed his 'independence' muscle.
- India Young in Seahorse Class who has flexed her 'imagination' muscle.
- Jake Raine in Turtle Class who has flexed his 'perseverance' muscle.
- Mya Holmes in 3EA who has flexed her 'independence' muscle.
- Joseph Dickinson in 3JH who had flexed his 'empathy' muscle.
- Summer Clarke in 3KS who has flexed her 'independence' muscle.
- Jack Oakley in 4YC who has flexed his 'perseverance' muscle.
- Lily Phillips in 5KK who has flexed her 'reasoning' muscle.
- Jasmine Clifford in 6CT who have flexed her absorption' muscle.
- Valentino Suthers in 6JB who have flexed his 'perseverance' muscle.

Attendance

Key Stage 1 Attendance Winners
Week ending: Friday 8th September 2017

Turtle and Dragonfly Class: 99.1%

Key Stage 2 Attendance Winners
Week ending: Friday 8th September 2017

3KS: 100%

Key Stage 1 Attendance Winners
Week ending: Friday 15th September 2017

Seahorse: 99.6%

Key Stage 2 Attendance Winners
Week ending: Friday 15th September 2017

4YC and 5KK: 99.7%

Key Stage 1 Attendance Winners
Week ending: Friday 22nd September 2017

Dragonfly Class: 100%

Key Stage 2 Attendance Winners
Week ending: Friday 22nd September 2017

3EA: 100%

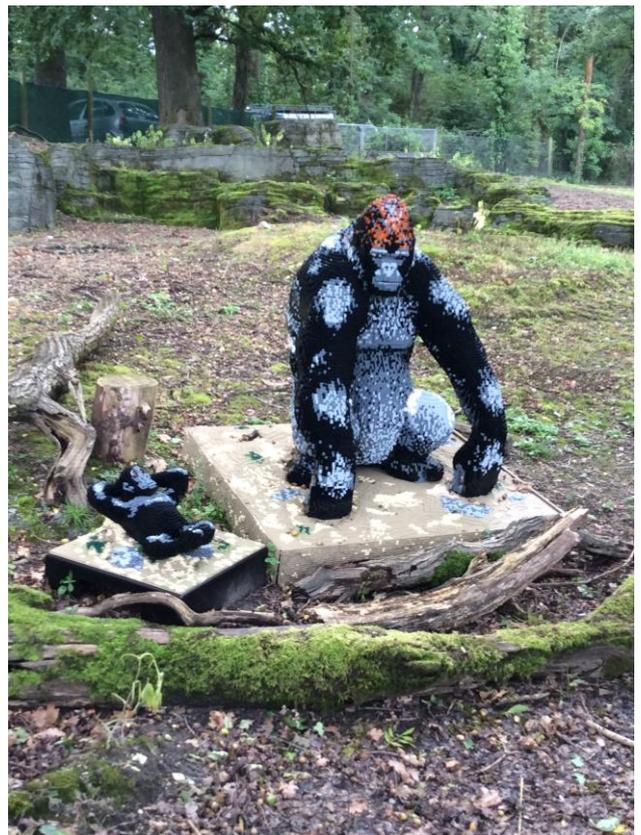
Year 1 Trip – Marwell Zoo

On Monday 11th September Year 1 went to Marwell Zoo – we had such a fantastic day seeing lots of animals!



Year 2 Trip – Marwell Zoo

On Tuesday 12th September Year 2 also went on a school trip to Marwell Zoo!



Sumdog



It has been brought to our attention that some children have been sharing their Sumdog passwords, and others have been able to access others accounts, by guessing their account details.

Passwords will be changed for all children, within the next week, and you will be notified of their new log on.

Boys Football Match

Last Tuesday, our boys' football team went to the cluster tournament over at Berrywood. This is the same competition that the school won two years ago and performed strongly in last year. This year we went with another new team but had every expectation to be competitive once again. The boys were drawn into a tough group where they would play a match against 4 different schools including Netley Abbey and Fair Oak. Only one team from each group would be guaranteed to qualify for the semi-final. In all of the games the boys played fantastically well. Vale had an outstanding afternoon making several strong saves. Blake and Dillon looked composed in the middle of the pitch and at the back respectively and George was a constant threat with his running at defenders. Over the evening, the boys' record was one win, two draws and a single loss. Ryan and Ralfs both scored good goals in separate games and Blake also had a tap in. Harvey in Year 5 also had good tournament and James H played well in defence making some crucial tackles. The results were enough to provide us with a third place finish but it could have been better had Fair Oak, who finished in second place, not scored a last minute equaliser against us. The boys played fantastically well and we are looking forward to seeing them develop as a team over this year. Thank you again to all the parents who came to cheer the team on!



Mr Hill

Attendance and Punctuality

Since the Supreme Court case -Isle of Wight Council versus Platt, judgement was published there is much more clarity on the position of schools and the Local Authority in terms of monitoring attendance and punctuality.

A Department for Education (DfE) spokesperson said after the ruling:

“We are pleased the Supreme Court unanimously agreed with our position – that no child should be taken out of school without good reason. As before, head teachers have the ability to decide when exceptional circumstances allow for a child to be absent but today’s ruling removes the uncertainty for schools and local authorities that was created by the previous judgment.”

The National Association of Head Teachers have published a definition of what the term exceptional means and for greater clarity I include this below.

“The fundamental principles for defining ‘exceptional’ are rare, significant, unavoidable and short. And by ‘unavoidable’ we mean an event that could not reasonably be scheduled at another time. “

Regular and punctual attendance at school is a legal requirement, as well as essential if pupils are to maximise their educational opportunities. As a school we have really tried to keep parents and carers informed about their children’s attendance and offer support should parents need it in respect of regular attendance and punctuality. We provide traffic light letters which indicates when your child’s learning is being affected by their attendance.

We have increased our thresholds on these letters so they are in line with Hampshire averages.

100% - 96% Good Attendance In line with Hampshire and national.	95% - 90% Starting to impact on learning.	-90% Serious impact on learning.
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For your additional information, the average level absence due to illness in Hampshire was 2.3% in 2015-16.

We are constantly trying to take all reasonable steps to ensure good attendance, without the use of Penalty Notices and will endeavour to make contact with parents and carers to try and resolve any difficulties.

It is important that parents and carers are aware of the circumstances in which a Penalty Notice may be issued. This information is contained in the Code of Conduct issued by Hampshire County Council, based on DfE guidelines.

Penalty Notices will be issued for any unauthorised absence where the pupil has been:

- absent for 10 or more half day sessions (five school days) of unauthorised absence during any 100 possible school sessions – these do not need to be consecutive
- persistently late (coded U) for up to 10 sessions (five days) after the register has been closed
- persistently late before the close of the register (coded L), but the school has met with parents and has clearly communicated that they will categorise as unauthorised any further lateness (code O), and where the threshold of 10 sessions (five days) has been met
- absent for any public examinations of which dates are published in advance
- absent for any formal school assessments, test or examinations where the dates have been published in advance
- unless the issuing of a Penalty Notice would conflict with other intervention strategies in place or other sanctions already being process

The Department for Education (DFE) guidance indicates that a Penalty Notice can be issued for a first offence in exceptional circumstances, for example **where a parent takes a child on holiday during term time without the school authorising the absence**. Parents need to be aware of this.

Year R classrooms are open from 8.35 am. The school day begins at 8.45 – a late mark will be given to any pupil attending after 8.50am. Minutes of lateness will be recorded by the office. If children arrive after 9.10am, this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence for the morning session.

Mrs Curry monitors attendance every two weeks in line with the Hampshire of Code of Conduct and we are very keen to support any parent or carer who is having difficulties getting their children in to school. Please contact us should you need support.



Girls Football

On Tuesday 26th September, Maria, Keira, Sophie, Megan, Katie, Georgia, Abi, Jess and Emily competed in a cluster girls football tournament at Berrywood School. Our first game was against Freegrounds, they had a very talented striker who managed to get down our left side to score.

Although the girls created a few chances to go level, the game finished 1-0. Our second game was against Upham. We had most of the possession and looked the stronger side. Megan battled hard in the midfield. Sophie threw the ball into the box from the left hand side, Georgia made contact and scored. Morale was high, we won 1-0. The girls were straight on again in their last league game against Berrywood. Again we were the stronger side, creating lots of chances and working together well as a team. Sophie's corner broke the deadlock flying across the box, hitting the opposition and into the back of the net. The game finished 1-0 and we waited to hear the results.

We got through to semi-finals against Netley Abbey who had previously beaten everyone in their group. The girls stepped it up a notch and began to really gel as a team. Sophie and Keira dealt with everything defensively. We had a lot of chances but the game finished 0-0. It was very tense and the game went into 3mins extra time golden goal!! Within seconds of kick off the ball was passed to Abi who lobbed the keeper scoring her first Shamblehurst goal, sending us through to the final.

We faced Fair Oak, who had an academy player in their team. We made sure that she was always marked and managed to deal with her. Maria our debut keeper pulled off three fantastic saves to keep us in the game. The game was pretty even; we linked up well and put in some good crosses, really starting to look confident. Katie almost scored on her debut, lifting the ball but keeper managed to catch it. The game finished 0-0 and even a nail biting 3min extra time didn't break the dead lock. It was time for penalties!!! It was very tense, Maria made a fantastic save, all of our penalties were on target but unfortunately it finished 2-1 to Fair Oak.

What a fanatic start to the 2017/2018 season. Seven out of our nine players made their debut and did the school proud. Well done girls!!!

Mr Peters and Mrs Kelly

(Girls Football Y3-6, Mon 3:20-4:15 spaces available)



CLUBS

Many thanks for all the application and overwhelming interest in the clubs. I think you will agree that the choice and number that we have been able to offer is amazing. We could not have anticipated that some clubs would be so popular.

Cooking Club had over a hundred applications!

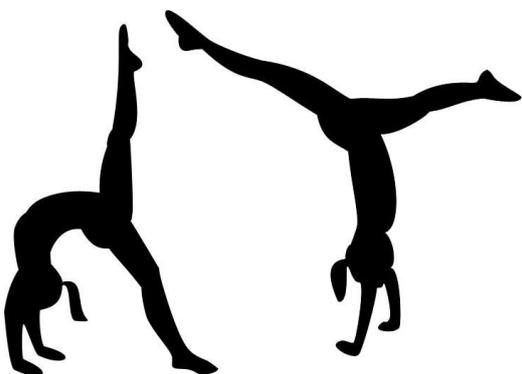
The clubs were allocated on a first come first serve basis, and many clubs were full on the first day. We understand that many children were disappointed and did not get into the clubs they choose, and that some parents felt disadvantaged by not being able to get into the office as soon as the forms were released. Due to the sheer number of people in the reception area completing forms on that first day, we had to have three people collecting them and despite each person putting them in order, and each day being kept separate, it was hard to be totally sure the order they had come in. However we put them in order, to the best of our ability.

With this in mind, we have learnt from this experience and we will be revising the procedures for the next round of clubs. We have tried to look at the fairest way to do this, without disadvantaging working parents, as clubs should be inclusion to everyone. We therefore will be taking in applications for clubs with a strict deadline date, and then the successful children will be selected by being pulled out of a hat.

We will ensure that the deadline date gives all parents adequate time to come in and get forms; this should also help ease the congestion in the reception area on the first day they come out. The remaining applications will then be kept to be used if spaces become available.

Many of the clubs rely on the goodwill of our staff, so we hope to use our PE Grant to fund external organisations to offer further free clubs for as many children as possible. So watch this space!

Please accept our apologies that this did not go as smoothly as we would like, and rest assured that we will endeavour to improve the process for next time.



Club waiting area



If your child's club letter stated that they were to be collected from the main playground, please use our new club waiting area. This is located by the large gate where the children are let into the main playground each day, by the end Year 4 door.



Cooking Club



Help Us To Help You

Communication

The majority of our communication is via email and text so please keep us updated with your contact information.



*We strive to respond to emails within 5 working days.
Please bear this in mind if you are awaiting a response.*

To ease congestion, in the mornings and afternoons in the office reception, please use the post box for forms and dinner money.

The post box is emptied every morning.

Parking

We have been contacted by local residents, as parents have been blocking driveways. Please park considerately when bringing and collecting children from school.



We would like to remind you that school dinners for KS2 have increased to £2.15 per meal.

All dinner money is to be paid for in advance, or on the day of ordering. There should be no outstanding debt, only in an emergency circumstance.

Admissions

Year 6 Parents Reminder

Applications for Hampshire residents to apply for a place for their child at secondary school are now open. You can apply online via the Education Online Portal at: www.hants.gov.uk/admissions. You must apply to Hampshire County Council even if you wish to apply for schools in another local authority.

If you have not used the online portal before, you will need to register by clicking on the 'Register' button and following the onscreen instructions. You will be sent an email from the system containing a link to the log in screen. You will then be able to log in using your e-mail address and password.

Applications close on 31st October 2017

Was your child born between
1 September 2013 and
31 August 2014?



Starting School in September 2018



Hampshire
County Council

www.hants.gov.uk



From **1 November 2017**, Hampshire residents can apply:

- Online at www.hants.gov.uk/admissions where you will also find information about schools in Hampshire; OR
- Using a paper application form available from any Hampshire infant or primary school.

Schools will hold open days/evenings in the autumn term. These will provide you and your child with an opportunity to look round the school and gather information before making your application.

Application deadline is Monday 15 January 2018

For help with the application process, please visit any Hampshire infant or primary school or call the Admissions Team on **0300 555 1377**. To obtain this information in an alternative format, call the number above.

Shamblehurst Parents, Staff and Governors
are cordially invited to attend

FRIENDS OF SHAMBLEHURST SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

**ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING**



Friday 13 October at 3.30pm

Shamblehurst School

Please join us for an overview of our fundraising and events in
2016/17, a look forward to events planned for 2017/18 and the
election of a new committee.



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COME AND SEE OUR NEW NURTURE ROOM AND HAVE COFFEE AND CAKE!

Shamblehurst would like to invite you to an informal
coffee morning on:

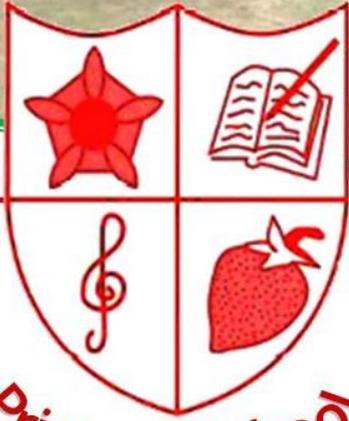
TUESDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2017,
9:00—10:00am.

This will be an opportunity for you to see our super new
nurture room, meet other parents and members of staff.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!



Shamblehurst



Primary School



Open Days

Is your child due to start school in September 2018?

We warmly invite you and your child to visit us on Wednesday 1st November 2017 at either 9:15am or 1:15pm or Wednesday 15th November 2017 at either 9:15am or 1:15pm.

Please contact us by phone or email to confirm your visit.

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