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Newsletter



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A Message From

Mrs Jones

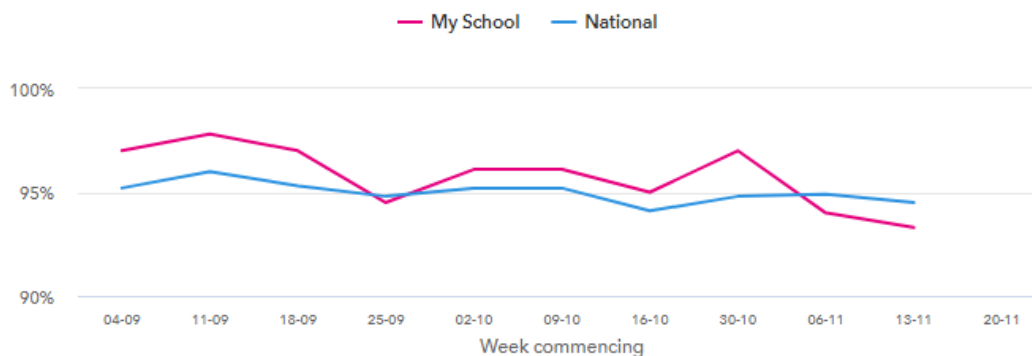
Well, we are fast approaching the last two weeks of term. We have still got lots of exciting learning to complete, including some fantastic authentic outcomes to round off year group enquiries.

We recently sent our attendance letters to the parents and carers of children whose attendance has fallen below 95% and 90%. It is important that we monitor attendance and this is set out in our attendance policy. We endeavour to work with all our families on a one-to-one basis, so please do ask for support if you are struggling getting your child in to school for whatever reason. For many families, these letters are simply for information, we totally understand children have periods of being poorly. However, in some cases, high levels of unexplained illness, holidays and lateness are having a huge impact on a child's attendance and this, in turn, has a huge impact on the social and emotional health of a child, as well as having an impact on academic progress. Our attendance figures last week, showed that as a school, we were below the National Average for primary schools – this is really worrying, especially as we are not experiencing any major rise in illness. In line with our policy, holidays will not be authorised and could lead to legal intervention or a penalty notice. This is the case in all schools.

LATEST WEEK ▾



AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE - 2023-24



As communicated a few weeks ago, our amazing SENDCo, Mrs Burrell, is leaving to take up a post in a local Hampshire school. The SENDCo role will be taken on by Miss Edwards and Mrs Wright. Mrs Wright, has started her maternity leave this week, so Miss Edwards will be supported by myself and Mrs Mohamed until she returns. We endeavour to continue to maintain the high standards that Mrs Burrell has modelled. Please do contact us if you require any support or have any concerns.

We have lots of Christmas events over the next few weeks, the finale being on the last day of term, when we have our carols on the playground. We hope you are able to join us (weather permitting!) This is also Christmas Jumper day, where we would like to ask for a donation towards supporting Young Carers in the local area over Christmas. This is also Christmas dinner day!

When we return in the New Year, we will be having a four day arts week - the theme is the Ocean. Please can we ask for donations of any materials, ribbons, button, plastic bottle tops, as well as lemonade bottles, large and small. Many thanks for all the donations so far.

We look forward to welcoming parents to the Year 2 Nativity, Year R celebrations and the Ukulele concert in Year 3. We will be collecting any spare coins at the end of these performances should you wish to contribute - these funds will go back in to supporting the arts in our school.

We are always trying to boost our school funds so we can provide the very best for our children and you are always brilliant at supporting us!

This Christmas, we have two amazing hampers we are raffling.

One is worth over £150 of Christmas goods, including Luxury champagne, Christmas puddings, biscuits, red wine, white wine, Baileys and lots more!

The second hamper is worth £85 and is filled with lots of amazing Christmas goods.

Our target is to try to raise additional funds to support our Arts Week after Christmas and additional resources to support our curriculum.

We will be out on the playground selling raffle tickets at £1 a ticket - £5 a strip from next week. The raffle will be drawn at the Christmas Carols on the last day of term. We would welcome your support - please let nans, grandad, aunts and uncles know so we can try and raise as much money as possible for our children!

We must thank the local Co-op for supporting us on this venture - we could not have purchased these amazing hampers without their generosity.

Very best wishes,

Mrs Jones



Rewards



Celebration Certificate - Friday 29th September 2023

Lemur Class - Lottie
Starfish Class - Jesse
Lion Class - Elsie
Giraffe Class - Logan
Seahorse Class - Zach
Dolphin Class - Louie
Gecko Class - Caitlin
Koala Class - Lyra
Bushbaby Class - Isla
Meerkat Class - Tabina
Jaguar - Oscar
Snow Leopard Class - Harrison
Tiger Class - Fraser
Cheetah Class - Molly

Celebration Certificate - Friday 6th October 2023

Lemur Class - Riley
Starfish Class - Robyn
Lion Class - Jackson
Giraffe Class - Arabella
Seahorse Class - Ruby
Dolphin Class - Sophia
Gecko Class - Rylan
Koala Class - Axel
Bushbaby Class - Marcie
Meerkat Class - Max
Jaguar - Kate
Snow Leopard Class - Henry
Tiger Class - Olivia
Cheetah Class - Maddie



**Celebration Certificate -
Friday 13th October 2023**

Lemur Class - Holly
Starfish Class - Evie
Lion Class - Poppy
Giraffe Class - Eliza
Seahorse Class - Emily
Dolphin Class - Amelia
Gecko Class - Cullen
Koala Class - Archie
Bushbaby Class - Eli
Meerkat Class - Lucas and Talia
Jaguar - Freddy
Snow Leopard Class - Josh
Tiger Class - Grace
Cheetah Class - Maddison

**Celebration Certificate -
Friday 20th October 2023**

Lemur Class - Skye
Starfish Class - Rene-Rome
Lion Class - Ben
Giraffe Class - Tillie
Seahorse Class - Alfie
Dolphin Class - Eva
Gecko Class - Harry
Koala Class - Thomas
Bushbaby Class - Yaroslav and Olivia
Meerkat Class - Lauren
Jaguar - Dylan
Snow Leopard Class - Molly and Rosie
Tiger Class - Daniel
Cheetah Class - Albie

**Celebration Certificate -
Friday 3rd November 2023**

Lemur Class - Ashley
Starfish Class - Evie
Lion Class - Ethan
Giraffe Class - Alexander
Seahorse Class - Liam
Dolphin Class - Jacob
Gecko Class - Aila
Koala Class - James
Bushbaby Class - Joseph
Meerkat Class - Tommie
Jaguar - Zachary
Snow Leopard Class - Austin
Tiger Class - Megan
Cheetah Class - Erica

**Celebration Certificate -
Friday 10th November 2023**

Lemur Class - Anna
Starfish Class - Malieah
Lion Class - William
Giraffe Class - Myra
Seahorse Class - Bethany
Dolphin Class - Leah
Gecko Class - Ella
Koala Class - Lyra
Bushbaby Class - Billy
Meerkat Class - Bowen
Jaguar - Natalie
Snow Leopard Class - Seth
Tiger Class - Vedanti
Cheetah Class - Jess

**Celebration Certificate -
Friday 17th November 2023**

Lemur Class - Myles
Starfish Class - Noah
Lion Class - Oliver
Giraffe Class - Arlo
Seahorse Class - Mason
Dolphin Class - Ezra
Gecko Class - Ruby
Koala Class - Amiyah
Bushbaby Class - Keegan
Meerkat Class - Nevaeh
Jaguar - Jack
Snow Leopard Class - Bella
Tiger Class - Nimmi
Cheetah Class - Molly

**Celebration Certificate -
Friday 24th November 2023**

Lemur Class - Frank
Starfish Class - Sofia
Lion Class - Maggie
Giraffe Class - Maisie
Seahorse Class - Oscar
Dolphin Class - Jacob
Gecko Class - Freddie
Koala Class - Sofia
Bushbaby Class - Archie and Michelle
Meerkat Class - Joaquin



Christmas!

We are looking for donations of Christmas crackers for all children to be able have on Christmas dinner day which is Friday 15th December 2023. Please bring to the school office. We would be extremely grateful!

Christmas Jumper Day - Friday
15th December 2023
£1 donation - Young Carers

Christmas Carols on the
Playground, 2:00pm - Friday 15th
December 2023

School finishes at 3:05pm
on Friday 15th December
2023 for all children.

We have 8 Christmas trees that we will be selling for £10.00 (the tree lining the centre path to the school). These will need collecting on the last day of term. Please let us know if you would like to purchase one.



Donations

Taken from Hedge End Library FB Page
We're thrilled to showcase outstanding work from the Lemur and Starfish, Year 1 classes at Shamblehurst Primary School.

If you haven't seen it yet, be sure to check out their fantastic display in our children's area the next time you're passing by.

Their recent English learning, inspired by the picture book "There's a Rang-Tan in my Bedroom," by James Sellick, has sparked impassioned and thought-provoking creations on the issue of deforestation.

We're proud to display their inspiring efforts.

If you can't spot your child's poster now, no worries! We'll be rotating the display in a few weeks to ensure everyone gets a chance to see these wonderful masterpieces.

Keep an eye out for updates!

We are looking for lots of donations of plastic bottle tops, buttons, ribbons, plastic bottles, newspapers, balls of wool and different fabrics etc.

Please bring to the office. These will be used for an Arts Week we will be having after Christmas.



Sports Tournaments



Singing Events

What a wonderful musical month we've had! Singing club gave a fantastic performance at the PTA fireworks event (despite the less than favourable weather conditions!) They sang with joy and passion and really set the scene for the excitement of the fireworks. Congratulations singing club and thanks again to our wonderful PTA!

We must also thank the PTA for their generous donation to fund a new wireless speaker that will facilitate more outdoor events. THANK YOU!

Last week, we had an enormous turn-out at the Hedge End Light Switch On, with singers from Y1 and Y2 entertaining a huge crowd with their fun and lively songs. I'm so proud of our young singers - they've learnt all the songs with great enthusiasm and energy, well done! Looking to the month ahead, our newly-appointed vocal ambassadors will be attending their first workshop at Wildern; our Y3 ukulele learners will be giving their first performances; all of Y2 will be perfecting and performing their Christmas show; many of our peripatetic learners will be completing their very first term on their instruments and then the whole school (weather permitting!) will be involved in our Carols on the Playground to round off a wonderful, musical term!

Thanks everyone for your continued support. (A reminder that if you are interested in signing up for peripatetic music lessons, please enquire at the office.)

Mrs Jackson

Year 1 - Gurdwara Trip

On Wednesday 15th November 2023 Year 1 visited the Singh Sabha Gurdwara in Southampton. In R.E Year 1 have been thinking about the concept of 'Special'. We began by thinking about what 'special' means and then went on to think about and share our own special books and why they were special to us. We then began to learn about the special book within the Sikh Faith which is called the 'Guru Granth Sahib'. The Guru Granth Sahib is believed by Sikhs to be the last Guru ... Guru meaning teacher. It is considered to be so special that it has its own special bedroom where it is kept. When we arrived at the Gurdwara, we covered our heads, removed our shoes and washed our hands as a mark of respect. We went to the prayer hall where we saw the Guru Granth Sahib. We were so fortunate to see the special book being read by a gentlemen and seeing it in real life really made us understand just how special this book is. After that we went to the community kitchen within the Gurdwara. The langar is a free kitchen in Sikhism that offers vegetarian food to anyone who visits the gurdwara, regardless of their faith. It is a symbol of the oneness of humanity and the respect for the Guru Granth Sahib.

We all enjoyed rice and dahl. Some of the key values of Sikhism are community, equality and respect. We want to thank everyone at the Gurdwara for their kindness and generosity to us.

We are very proud of the Year 1 children and how sensible and respectful they were throughout our visit.

Mrs Hillman



Reminder - if you would like to order your child/ children a Christmas Lunch, please complete the following link no later than Monday 4th December 2023.

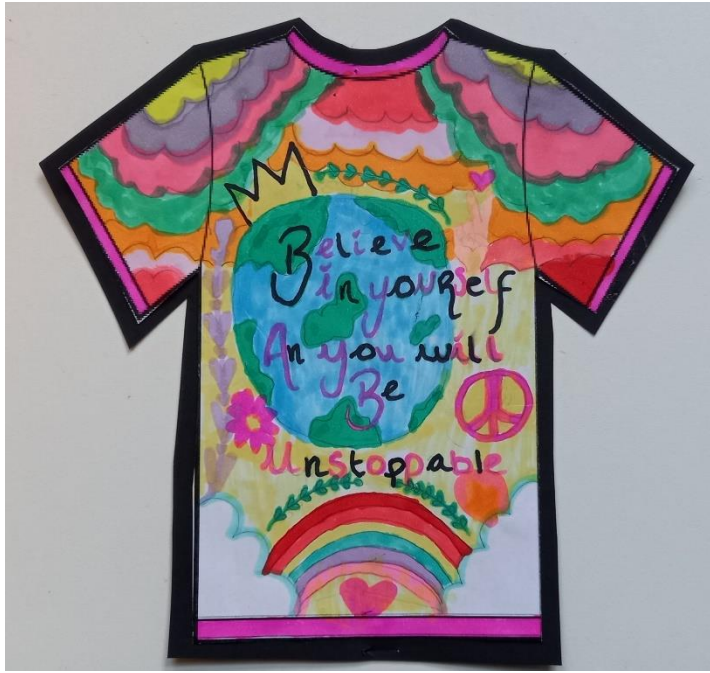
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Please note, there are no hard copies of pre-order forms this year - we are moving to online to try and make things easier.

This is a change in menu for this day only and no other meals will be available.

Please provide your child with a packed lunch on this day if you do not wish to pre-order your child a Christmas lunch. All meals must be pre-booked and no late orders can be taken.

No Outsiders Competition



Thank you to everyone who entered our competitions to name our No Outsiders bear and to design a t-shirt for them to wear! We had so many wonderful entries and it was incredibly hard to choose our winners.

A huge congratulations to Ruby in Year 3 for her excellent, heart-warming design and to Sophie in Year 6 for naming the bear, 'Buddy.'

We are now in the process of putting Ruby's design onto a t-shirt for Buddy, we just have to find a t-shirt big enough to fit him!!

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Richards



Shamblehurst Shimmies and Shakers

We would love to invite you to Shamblehurst Shimmies and Shakers! A musical experience for our potential new entrants - Year R September 2024 starters.

This is a stay, sing and shake session led by our Early Years Lead, Michelle Tollefsen and our Music Lead, Vicky Jackson.

Have a drink, snack and a sing along, meet the staff and get a feel for life at Shamblehurst. Please contact the office to book your place! Depending on numbers you are welcome to attend more than one session.

Parents/ Carers to stay. Younger siblings welcome!

Thursday 23rd November 2023, 9am - 10am or 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Thursday 30th November 2023, 9am - 10am

Thursday 7th December 2023, 9am - 10am

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Our school calendar on our school website is regularly updated - please ensure this is checked if you are unsure

Year 6 - Calshot Residential Trip

