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Tuesday 30th September 2025



Thursday 16th October 2025 - Year 2, Fort Nelson Trip Tuesday 21st October 2025 - Year 6 and Singing Club, Aladdin at The Berry Theatre

Thursday 23rd October 2025 - Individual and In School Sibling Photos

Friday 24th October 2025 - Year 4 and Year 6, VR Day Monday 27th - Friday 31st October 2025 - Half - Term Thursday 6th November 2025 - Nasal Flu Spray





Thank you to everyone who attended the Bounce Back to School Day on Saturday - it was lovely to see everyone, despite the chilly weather! Thank you to FOSSA for organising. It was great to see the uniform bank being well used - thank you all for your generosity and for the team for giving up their Saturday. We have been reading the responses to the attendance survey. As a result, we will be holding a coffee morning this term to support parents who have children who are struggling with being anxious in the morning. This will be held by Mrs Curry and our student social worked, Ms Myathi. More details to follow. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in contact with Mrs Curry, our family support worker and ELSA, as well as our Inclusion team if we can support you further on issues relating to anxiety and school attendance.

There was also some feedback regarding the tone of some of our attendance letters. We will be looking at these to see if we can make them a little bit more bespoke, yet manageable! We do always have to include the section around penalty notices and legal action. This is so if attendance continues to be a concern, parents are aware early on this could be a course of action the school might have to take. This is usually a very last resort.

Attendance remains a key school priority, as well as an OFSTED priority, so we welcome your support on this. It is so important that children regularly attend school and the statistics below speak for themselves.

We are hoping this year that our whole school attendance is at least 97%.

Attendance record and lessons missed

- 95% attendance means 50 missed lessons. This means a child missed about 10 days or 2 weeks of lessons in the school year.
- 90% attendance means 100 missed lessons. This means a child misses four weeks of lessons in the school year.
- 85% attendance means 150 missed lessons. This means the child misses almost 6 weeks of lessons
 in the school year
- 80% attendance means 200 missed lessons. This means the child misses over 7 weeks of lessons in the school year
- 75% attendance means 250 missed lessons. This means the child misses about 9 weeks of lessons in the school year

Punctuality

- Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year, that's 20 lessons missed
- Arriving 15 minutes late every day adds up to 2 weeks absence a year, that's 55 lessons missed
- Arriving 30 minutes late every day adds up to 19 days absence a year, that's 123 lessons missed *Please note, these calculations are approximate, based on how the terms fall each calendar year.

Sometimes, missing days is unavoidable. We start sending monitoring letters when children's attendance drops below 95%. Persistent absence is defined as having an attendance of 90% or below.

In the next few weeks, we will be hoping to elect a Parent Governor to the Governing Body - so I am just giving parents/carers the heads up if that is something you would be interested in taking part in, again - watch this space!



Warm wishes, Mrs Jones Headteacher



Please can we ask that you remind children, if they bring a mobile phone to school, they need to hand this in to the office when they arrive to school in the morning, where it will be kept securely and then children are to collect at the end of the school day.

If children are found to have a mobile phone in their bag, these will be taken from them and parents will be notified to collect their child's mobile phone from the office.



We are looking for hundreds of donations of cereal boxes to help build props.

Please bring to the school office. We would be extremely grateful!

It has been brought to our attention that children are bringing to school large backpacks.

Please ensure that children only bring a book bag to school as their school bag. We have 420 children in our school, all of who have an allocated peg or cubby hole. The layout of the school building does not lend itself well to this – in that all corridors are also fire escapes. Hence, when corridors are cluttered, it becomes a safeguarding issue, under the health and safety guidance.

School bags have got bigger and bigger – whilst they are often beautiful, they are impractical in terms of what children need in school.

Thank you for your understanding

Job Vacancy

Catering Assistant 12.5 hours per week

> 11:15am -1:45pm

If interested,
please contact
Sarah from
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07961065067 who
will be able to
provide further
information and
application/
interview process.



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- AGE: 6 YEARS AND OLDER
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- Use your eyes and ears, look all around for traffic and listen.
- Wait until you're sure it's safe then walk across the road - DON'T RUN.
- Keep looking and listening for traffic as you cross.
- If you're not sure, don't cross

STAY SAFE!

Nasal Flu Vaccine - Thursday 6th November 2025

Click the link below for the electronic form and information about the vaccine. You will need to input the School Code below to complete the form. Access to the form will close two working days prior to the session.

School Code: SH115972

Session date: Thursday 6th November 2025

Year Group: Year R - 6

Link to

website: <u>Annual Nasal Flu Vaccination</u>
<u>Programme - Hampshire - Parents: Health</u>
for Kids

Shamblehurst promotes healthy eating. A balanced, healthy, nutritious diet is important for the development of a child's physical state, as well as for their intellectual abilities.

Please note the following recommended guidelines set out by the British Nutrition Foundation.

A child's lunch should include only the following:

- A portion of starchy food, eg. wholegrain bap/bread, pitta bread, plain, crackers, pasta or rice salad
 - Fresh fruit and vegetables, eg. apple/ orange/ banana, cherry tomatoes, carrot sticks, mini fruit chunks, etc
 - A portion of milk or dairy food, eg. cheese, plain/fruit yoghurt, etc
 - Small portion of lean meat, fish or alternative, eg. two slices of ham, chicken, beef Quorn, cheese, tuna, egg or hummus, etc
 - A drink fruit juice (not fizzy), water (not flavoured), milk (not flavoured)

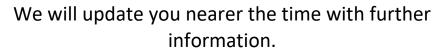
Please ensure that children bring a water bottle to school with them each day - please ensure that this is named.

We would like to say a big well done to all of the Year R children and for settling in really well.

Year R Team



Individual Photographs and in school sibling photos will be taken on Thursday 23rd October 2025





All of our communication is sent via email - please ensure that we have your up-todate contact details. We will be sending home our yearly data collection forms soon - please ensure these are checked and returned

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