



NEWSLETTER 6th April 2017

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Dates for your diary

Spring 2

Thursday 6th April

Friday 7th April

3pm Mini Easter Table Top Sale Junior Playground

3.00pm - Break up for Easter holidays

Summer 1

Monday 24th April

Monday 8th May

Tuesday 9th May

Thursday 18th May

Monday 22nd May

Wednesday 24th May

Thursday 25th May

Friday 26th May

8.45am - Summer 1 starts

Class Photographs

9.00am - Year R assembly

School Census

Maths Day

New Year R September 2017 parents meeting

New Year R September 2017 parents meeting

3.00 pm - Break up for half term

INSET days 2016-2017

Monday 24th July 2017

Tuesday 25th July 2017

Important things to remember

- Everything your child wears or brings into school must be labelled
- All children require a water bottle in school every day
- PE kits must be in school at all times and include a tracksuit and trainers for outdoors
- Lunch boxes to be labelled with your child's name and class and please do not include sweets, chocolate bars, nuts or products containing nuts e.g. Nutella
- Children must be registered with Cool Milk (www.coolmilk.com) in order to receive milk in school, even if they are entitled to it free of charge. This includes children who are entitled to free milk until the term before they turn 5.
- Could you qualify for Pupil Premium? If you are in receipt of certain benefits your child could be entitled to 2 free jumpers/cardigans per year, free milk in school every day, all trips and 1 club per term funded by the school. Apply online at:
<http://www.southampton.gov.uk/learning/schools/schoolmeals/fschm.aspx>

Well we have just about made it to the end of term and I know that everyone (children and staff) are ready for a well-earned rest. It has been a busy term culminating in a very successful Art Week (thank you to those parents who were able to support with this). Year 1 had their trip and the Year 1 and 2 assemblies were a real treat to watch. The children have worked incredibly hard and there is always a purposeful atmosphere when walking around the school. We have had a recent external review carried out by an LA Inspector and Nigel Ash, the Director of Standards at Hamwic, and I would like to put in a couple of quotes from the report that came from the children:

"Pupil members of the "learning council" discuss the quality, engagement and enjoyment factors of lessons and provide feedback for staff and leaders that helps ensure there is a true understanding of the effectiveness of learning in Hollybrook Infant School. Pupils ensured that "role play" areas in each class met their precise expectations and identified when they did not so that teachers could improve them!"

"Pupils clearly demonstrated their love of learning and confidence to talk about it in interviews during the course of the day. They can identify what makes a good learner and can give specific examples of what and when they felt their learning was at its best so far this year - using their work books to provide evidence."

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff across the whole school for all of their hard work and team work that enables our children to talk about their school in this way. We have certainly had our challenges this year but this has not affected the high quality of teaching and learning and support for parents and staff through the office. Thank you also for your ongoing support.

Have a lovely break and I look forward to seeing you back for the summer term on 24th April.