



NEWSLETTER 7TH OCTOBER 2015

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Dates for your diary

Autumn 1

Wednesday 7th October

1.30pm Prospective parents visit for September 2016 admission

Thursday 8th October

Parent Forum 9.00am

Friday 9th October

9.45am Prospective parents visit for September 2016

Tuesday 13th October

Harvest Festival at St James' Church

Monday 19th October

8.45am-9.15am Sharing Time for all year groups

Tuesday 20th October

3.00pm-5.30pm Parents Evening

Wednesday 21st October

3.00pm-6.30pm Parents Evening

Friday 23rd October

Diwali

Friday 23rd October

3.00pm Break up for Half Term

Autumn 2

Monday 2nd November

8.45am Autumn 2 begins

Monday 2nd November

Maths Day (parents welcome at 2.30pm)

Wednesday 4th November

9.45am and 1.30pm Prospective parents visit for September 2016 admission

Thursday 5th November

Individual photographs

Thursday 5th November

Photographs for Brothers and sisters - 3.15pm at Junior School

Thursday 12th November

9.00am Parent Forum

Friday 13th November

Children in Need (TBC)

Thursday 26th November

Christmas Fayre

Friday 27th November

INSET Day (children not to attend school)

Thursday 10th December

PM - Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsal (Grandparents and younger siblings invited)

Friday 11th December

AM - Christmas Performance

Monday 14th December

PM - Christmas Performance

Tuesday 15th December

Evening - Christmas Performance

Wednesday 16th December

Christmas Shopping Day

Wednesday 16th December

Christmas Lunch/Party

Friday 18th December

3.00pm Break up for Christmas Holiday

INSET Days 2015-2016

Friday 27th November 2015

Friday 12th February 2016

Monday 27th June 2016

Wednesday 20th July 2016

Important things to remember

- Everything your child wears or brings into school must be labelled
- Children require a waterproof jacket - with arms and hood
- All children require a water bottle in school every day - this must ONLY contain still water - no fizzy drinks or squash
- 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, 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>

With just over two weeks left until the end of term we are looking forward to inviting you into school to see some of the learning that the children have been doing. We have a sharing time on Monday 19th October at 8.45am to 9.15am. This is a chance for you to come in and let your children show you what they have been doing so far this year. Parent's evenings are then on Tuesday 20th October and Wednesday 21st October, after school. We would encourage you to sign up for these using our online system - please see letter attached. If you have any questions or queries, then please phone the office and either Ms Atton or Ms Smith will be happy to help.

The children have been enjoying lots of learning experiences; Year R had a visit from the Teddy Bear's Hospital where they learnt how to look after their teddies and last week Year 2 enjoyed a trip to Minstead and then did a traffic survey as a comparison to a village on Winchester Road.

On a slightly sadder note I am sorry to say that we are losing Mr Pike at the end of this week. Mr Pike is moving on to a new venture. I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all of his help and support that he has given to the school in the six years that he has been here and wish him all the best for the future.

Harvest Festival

One of our parents has kindly received confirmation from the Food at Basics Bank of the particular items needed and they have advised, they would be grateful to receive the following please:-

- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned meat
- Coffee
- Toiletries
- Cereal



A final reminder for any outstanding Harvest Festival letters to be returned to the school office by this Friday, 9th October please.

PTA

The PTA held a meeting on 1st October 2015 - please see attached minutes. You will note there are 3 vacancies and we would ask that anybody interested contacts Lisa Richardson as soon as possible.

Topics

Please be aware that Topic Flyers have been sent out in book bags over the last couple of weeks and can also be found on our website under the Pupils section and the relevant year group. Please note that current topics are as follows:-

- Year R Nursery Rhymes
- Year 1 Under the Sea
- Year 2 Katie Morag