



NEWSLETTER 18TH MAY 2016

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Dates for your diary

Summer 1

Monday 23rd May 2016

Monday 23rd May 2016

Tuesday 24th May 2016

Wednesday 25th May 2016

Thursday 26th May 2016

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Friday 27th May 2016

Arts Week

JET Prom staff & parent choir rehearsal at USH -
5.00pm-6.30pm

9.00am Year R Assembly

7.00pm - 8.00pm September Year R intake
information evening

2.00pm - 3.00pm September Year R intake
information session

JET Prom staff & parent rehearsal at USH -
5.00pm-6.30pm

3.00pm - Break up for Half Term

Summer 2

Monday 6th June 2016

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Thursday 9th June 2016

Friday 10th June 2016

Friday 10th June 2016

Friday 10th June 2016

Wednesday 15th June 2016

Monday 20th June 2016

Wednesday 22nd June 2016

Monday 27th June 2016

Thursday 30th June 2016

Friday 1st July 2016

Wednesday 6th July 2016

Thursday 7th July 2016

Monday 11th July 2016

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Monday 18th July 2016

Tuesday 19th July 2016

Summer 2 begins at 8.45am

Queens Birthday Celebrations in School

2.15pm-2.45pm Parents in to share learning for the
Queens Birthday

Year R trip to Longdown Dairy Farm

9.00am - Year 2 Civic Award Assembly

Sponsored Sports

Queen's Birthday - Themed Menu (info to follow)

7.00pm - JET Prom

11.30am - Sports Day at Upper Shirley High

Year 2 trip to Hilliers

INSET DAY - no children to attend school

9.00am - Parent Forum

3.00pm - Summer Fayre

Transfer Day for all children

2.00pm - Open afternoon for Parents

Olympics Week

Healthy Schools Day

School Disco

9.00am - Leavers Assembly

3.00pm - Break up for Summer

INSET Days 2015-2016

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.

It is hard to believe we are nearly at the end of another half term and are fast approaching the second half of our summer term. As always, we have a busy time ahead and would ask that you keep an eye out for all information being sent home.

Some of you may be aware that the football team at Hollybrook Junior School have won the Hampshire Under-11 Trophy and recent regional finals in Bath. This means they are competing in the national finals this weekend at the Premier League Champions, Leicester City's King Power Stadium. We wish them all the very best of luck!!!

Last weekend, Mrs Wood, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Higgins took part in the Moonwalk in London where they walked 26.2 miles through the night to raise money for Breast Cancer. Between them, they raised over £1000 which is a fantastic amount!! Well done ladies - we are all very proud of you.

Feedback from Parent Forum

We recently held our Parent Forum and here are some of the responses to the issues raised:-

- Summer Fayre - details about the fayre were discussed in liaison with the PTA and you will have received a letter regarding this yesterday.
- Non-uniform days - There will shortly be 2 non uniform days on Friday 27th May and Friday 1st July. As before, parents will be asked to donate bottles and sweets in return for children not wearing uniform in preparation for the summer fayre
- Lollipop man - Unfortunately the school were not informed that the Lollipop Man was leaving until his final day where we were told by a parent. We believe some parents are organising a petition and Mrs Jeffery and the Prayer Group who meet at the Junior School are supporting both schools by putting up a banner at the top of Lordswood Road to try and get cars to slow down. They are also contacting the Local Authority to try and secure the services of another Lollipop person. If anybody is interested in this position, please contact David Harrison, School Crossing Patrol Supervisor at Southampton City council on 02380 833000
- PTA - Parents were seeking clarification of how the money raised in various events for the PTA has been spent. The money raised over the last year has been put towards the cost of new Learnpads (ICT Tablets) in each classroom with the school funding the rest. These have arrived in school very recently and we look forward to the children enjoying using these to support their learning.
- PTA Newsletter - the PTA will be sending home termly Newsletters to help you stay up to date with events and how funds are being spent
- Graeme - thank you for all your positive feedback on Graeme our new Site Manager. We are so pleased he has joined our school team and a big thank you for all his hard work so far!

School Car Park

Our school car park is a very busy place and is in constant use with deliveries being made. Can we please remind parents not to walk their children across the car park and to use the footpaths provided. Please also do not use the car park to drop off or collect your children as you may get blocked in or block staff in that need to get in and out.

Sainsbury's Active Kids

Please note Sainsbury's have ceased issuing Active Kids vouchers for this year, therefore if you have any vouchers at home, please drop them into school as soon as possible in order for them to count towards our total.

Dinner Menu Change - Census Day

Tomorrow is our final Census Day of the academic year. As usual, our funding for school dinners is based on the number of dinners ordered on Census Day, so we are offering a special Picnic Themed menu on this day, as below. Your child can order their choice in their class in the normal way and it is free of charge for all infant school children.



Mains

Sausage Hot Dog, Veggie Hot Dog (V) OR Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
(Veggie hot dog and pizza suitable for Halal menu)

On the side

Cheese & Spring Onion Coleslaw OR Vegetable Sticks

AND

Chips OR Cous Cous

For Dessert

Chocolate Brownie OR Chocolate Ice Cream OR Frozen Mango Yoghurt

Weather

Although we have been having some nice, dry days, we are still experiencing wet conditions. Please ensure children have a coat or anorak in school every day. Pupils play outside twice a day and will only be kept inside in very wet conditions. We now only have a couple of spare coats and currently don't have enough for all the children that require them. Even on days when the weather starts well you never know when the next shower is coming!

For the sunny days, please ensure your child is dressed appropriately:-

- Please provide your child with a sun hat - with their name in it
- Please apply sun cream before children come to school in the morning
- Sun cream can be brought into school, but this must be clearly labelled with your child's name and children must be able to apply this themselves
- Please ensure jumpers and cardigans are named as children do like to take them off when it is hot
- Children should continue to wear sensible shoes
- Please ensure your child has a full water bottle for the day



Coats

If your child has borrowed a coat from the office and you still have this at home, please could we ask that these are returned to the office as soon as possible. At the start of the academic year, we had 10 coats, and are now down to only 2! Also, if you have any old coats/jackets/uniform or underwear including socks, we are always grateful to receive donations.

Queen's Birthday Celebration

On Monday 6th June, we will be learning all about the Queen because of her recent 90th Birthday. A letter is attached to this Newsletter detailing the day and parents are invited into school at 2.15pm to 2.45pm to share the learning.



Parent and Staff Choir Rehearsals

The parent and staff choir at our previous JET Prom Concerts were a great success and we are hoping this years will be even bigger and better! All parents/carers, grandparents/aunties/uncles/ex-students are welcome and you will have already received an email regarding this. As a reminder, the dates you need to remember are:-

Monday 23rd May - 5.00pm-6.30pm
Thursday 26th May - 5.00pm-6.30pm
Monday 6th June - 5.00pm -6.30pm
Thursday 9th June - 5.00pm-6.30pm

Final Practice is on Monday 13th June - 5.00pm - 6.30pm and the JET Prom will be held on Wednesday 15th June - 7.00pm-9.30pm.

Ideally, you are asked to attend three rehearsals, including final practice which will be held at Upper Shirley High. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Sending money into school



From time to time, parents/carers need to send money into school for various reasons, for example, clubs, trips, PTA events, charity donations. In order to ensure your money reaches the office safely, please ensure you send the money into school in a sealed envelope, labelled with your child's name, class, amount of money and reason. The envelope should also include the relevant permission slip or form if there is one. These can be put in the post box in Reception, which is emptied every day.

School Attendance Matters

We have noticed over recent weeks, an increased number of parents trying to drop their children off through the School Office in the morning instead of walking round to the correct classroom door.

Please be aware that our Office staff are extremely busy first thing in the morning ensuring all children are correctly registered and receive the correct lunch, and you should therefore only bring your children into reception if you are late and arriving after the doors are closed at 8.50am when you have to sign them in.

In addition, could we please ask that all parents who are bringing in medication for children drop their children to their classroom before bringing the medication to the office. This ensures your children are settled into class before lessons begin.

Thank you for your co-operation

W/C	Foxes	Hedgehogs	Squirrels	Rabbits	Badgers	Owls	Overall
02/05/16	99.2%	98.7%	96.6%	92.5%	96.3%	94.6%	96.3%
09/05/16	97.0%	98.3%	96.6%	95.2%	92.7%	96.0%	95.9%