



Message from the Head



Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely half term. I have had so many comments about how fresh the school looks now it has been redecorated. We are working hard to get the displays back up so we can show off the great work that is happening in class.

This week I enjoyed teaching Year 6 for a day. I was most impressed by their desire to learn in maths; converting improper fractions to mixed numbers and vice versa does require a certain degree of brain power at 9 o'clock in the morning! They certainly didn't fail to impress me with their debating skills on light sources for science either.

Now the clocks have gone back and our most natural light source disappears earlier, please ensure you have spoken to your children about ways to keep safe in the dark. This is something we have discussed with the children in school too. Please remind your children to wait at the red stop line on the playground for their grown up after being collected at the end of the day.

Kind regards

Mrs Jearrad

Learning Leaders

Our Leading Learners have had a meeting to discuss which charities they would like to support throughout the year and have another meeting with Mrs Jearrad next week to fill in some gaps. It would be good to have a couple of local charities on the list so the classes have been asked to come up with some suggestions.

Remembrance Day 

Year 6 will be taking the Poppy box round for anyone wishing to make a small donation to the Salvation Army in exchange for a poppy to wear. We will have a 1 minute silence in remembrance on Friday 10th November at 11am.

Our next charity fundraiser is going to be **SPOTACULAR** for Children in Need on Friday 17th November. Children can pay a donation to come to school wearing spots for the day.

★ Stars of the Week ★

Oak Y6
Sophie M & Connor
Rowan Y5
Ellie-May & Emily
Sycamore Y4
Lucas & Kyra
Holly Y3
Theoni & Harry W
Willow Y2
Eve & Archie
Birch Y1
Joseph & Liana

House Points

Mitchell	2040
Templeton	2395
Watts	2495
Miller	2320

Attendance

Oak Y6	96.53%
Rowan Y5	92.59%
Sycamore Y4	96.30%
Holly Y3	98.89%
Willow Y2	95.56%
Birch Y1	99.07%

WELL DONE!

Whole School 96.90%

PTA update

The money being raised this year will be going towards developing our Early Years outdoor space and transforming the pergola area into a spiritual garden space which will benefit the whole school.

AGM

This will be on Friday 8th December at 9a.m. in the school, all are welcome.

Bag2School

Bags to enable you to recycle old clothes will come home in book bags on Thursday 23rd November and will be collected on Monday 27th November from the school playground.

Allotment area

Ms Reynolds (Imogen's Mum Y4) has been approached by quite a few parents who are interested in getting our allotment area up and running again. They will be in next week to de-weed and make safe the area for children to be able to grow their own fruit and vegetables. Work will start on this next week. If you can spare time to help, during the morning, afternoon or both, please leave your name in the office and Ms Reynolds will be in touch.

Cauliflower cards

Thank you for all your orders of Christmas cards and labels. We are delighted with the response we have had this year.

Diary Dates

Tue 7 th Nov	Year R (17/18) Parent Walkabout
Wed 8 th Nov	KS1 & Year R Phonics workshop
Fri 10 th Nov	PTA Discos (No dance club after school) KS1: 3.30 – 4.15 KS2 4.30 – 5.30
Tue 14 th Nov	Holy Class trip to Marwell zoo
Wed 15 th Nov	KS1 & Year R Phonics workshop
Fri 17 th Nov	Children in Need - Spotacular
Thurs 21 st Dec	Last Day of Term

Christmas Performances

Thurs 14 th Dec	Rocksteady Concert 10:00a.m.
Mon 18 th Dec	KS1 Nativity – 9:15a.m. KS1 Nativity – 2:00p.m.
Tues 19 th Dec	KS2 Carol Concert 6p.m. at St. John's Church
Wed 20 th Dec	Christingle Service Year R, 1 & 2

KS1 Entrance

We have been working really hard to create a welcoming entrance for our KS1 children (YR – Y2) children to enter in the morning. There have been many positive comments from parents saying it has really helped encourage the children to come into school independently. However, this week I have had some concerned parents at the number of parents who are still entering this space in the morning to help their child hang up their coat. Please can I ask for your support in saying goodbye to your child at the door so the space is not a scary place to be for our smaller people. Any messages can be communicated via the home-school book as they are checked every day.

A Message from our Vicar Reverend Julian



3rd November: Caring

1 John 3:18 (NEW TESTAMENT: LETTERS) Our love should not be just words and talk: it must be true love, which shows itself in action.

P.E

Please make sure all children have adequate layers of clothing during the winter months. Could all parents please make sure that the children's P.E kit's are kept in school at all times.

Congratulations – To the girls football team who competed against 12 other teams and came 3rd place overall. Some lovely throughout the afternoon and some well taken goals, Well done! – Mrs White