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### Message from the Head



Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support over the term.

I hope you all have a lovely Christmas and a happy New Year! **2018**

Kind Regards,

Mrs Jearrad

### PTA Update

Thank you to everyone who bought a raffle ticket! The draw took place in school this morning and the following lucky winners were....

Ticket	Name	Class	Prize
White 209	Rosie	Chestnut (R)	David Lloyd Weekend Family Pass
Yellow 191	Harrison	Chestnut	Baylis & Harding Silver Cracker
White 288	Harry	Chestnut	Team Spirit Sports Holiday Voucher
White 400	Jack	Chestnut	Baylis & Harding Pink Cracker
White 318	Sophie	Chestnut	Baylis & Harding Snowman Tin
Yellow 264	Alfie	Chestnut	Baylis & Harding Men's Gift Set
White 413	Toby	Chestnut	Stage Coach Voucher
Yellow 214	Harrison	Chestnut	Garmin Watch
White 380	Dylan	Chestnut	Tub of sweets
White 148	Ollie	Birch (1)	The Horns Inn food & drink voucher
White 50	Ella-Rose	Birch	Frankies Fun Factory Family Pass
White 259	Freya	Birch	Team Spirit Sports Holiday Voucher
White 394	Toby	Birch	Saints Foundation Holiday Course
White 407	Ava	Willow (2)	Stage Coach Voucher
Yellow 333	Evie	Willow	Monkey Business Voucher
White 337	Eloise	Willow	Tin of Quality Street
White 262	Elliott	Willow	Baylis & Harding Mug Set
Blue 416	Harry	Holly (3)	Baylis & Harding Silver Bag Nail Set
White 454	Sammy	Holly	Baylis & Harding Ultimate Brush Set
Yellow 402	Aaron	Oak (6)	Baylis & Harding Mug Set

Congratulations to all our winners!

### House Points

The winning house for this term is:

**Watts**

Congratulations! They all had extra play as a treat

### Autumn Term Attendance

Oak Y6	96.21%	
Rowan Y5	93.84%	
Sycamore Y4	94.88%	
Holly Y3	96.07%	
Willow Y2	94.46%	
Birch Y1	95.52%	
Whole School	95.26%	

### A Message from Reverend Julian Williams

22<sup>nd</sup> December: Mary & Joseph

Luke 2:10-11 (NEW TESTAMENT: GOSPELS) *"I bring good news of great joy... Today, in David's town, your Saviour was born!"*



### Parking

Please do not park on the pavements in Nursling Street, especially opposite the layby outside school. It makes it extremely unsafe for pedestrians and it is causing unnecessary hold ups which means children are coming into school late. Many Thanks.

### Autumn term update and impact statement from the governors

The governors have been working closely with Mrs Jearrad this term to move the school forward, following the Ofsted inspection earlier this year.

Firstly, we are pleased to say that we have been able to find the money to fund some key projects that Mrs Jearrad has identified as necessary to improve safeguarding and the quality of the learning environment within the school. One such project – the refurbishment of the school's main corridor – has already taken place, and we are sure that you will have noticed the difference it has made! We are also working in partnership with Hampshire County Council Property Services to progress another, larger, project to upgrade the security of the school grounds, including the main school gate. Also, we have joined forces with the PTA to successfully raise funds to develop the outside space in the Reception class. This will strengthen the opportunities for children to engage in imaginative play, and is a key part of the strategy, set out in the school improvement plan (SIP), to secure a grade of 'outstanding' for the Early Years Foundation Stage at the next Ofsted inspection.

Secondly, as you know, Mrs Jearrad has had to make some tough decisions this term regarding the improvement that the school must make in Key Stage 2 so that our children are well prepared for transfer to Secondary School, with the focus being on progress and standards in English and Maths. We, as governors, fully support these decisions. There is an expectation that governors will do their bit, too, to support the drive for school improvement. The school has a significant number of new or recently appointed governors, including parent governors, who have brought with them new skills, experience and energy. A key action point in the SIP is that governors attend to their own training and development needs. This is well under way: each of us now has a specific job to do, reflecting our interests and expertise; and we have an action plan in place to track the progress of the SIP. In that connection, a group of governors met recently with children from Years 2, 4 and 6, who shared some of their work and spoke about what they liked about school. It was clear to governors that they were enjoying school, understood and approved of the new behaviour policy, and knew what they had to do to improve their work. We are sure that their parents would have been very proud of their confident replies to governors' questions.

Last but not least, we should like to thank you, as parents, for supporting Mrs Jearrad and her team over the course of this term, in particular by helping your child(ren) with their home learning; and we wish you all a happy and enjoyable Christmas with your family and friends.

David Clark  
Chair of governors

Pat Wootten  
Vice chair of governors

