

Head teacher's Message

It has been a very busy week at school, especially with all our performances to parents.

We really hope you have enjoyed watching the Nativity and music performances. The children have shown such resilience and enjoyment when performing, we have loved watching them.

Our second Advent candle has been lit this week, representing love.

See you next week for our final week of the Autumn Term!

Mrs Jearrad



Update to our Website

Our website has been updated to include some really useful links to support you and your child navigate tricky times and wobbly feelings at home over the Christmas period.

Please head over to the Parent information tab, then Parental Pointers, 'Support for Parents' for some ways to best support a child who has experienced trauma. Also, watch this space for further updates on sleep routines, morning routines and anxiety.

Attendance this week

Chestnut	Birch	Willow	Holly	Sycamore	Rowan	Oak	School
73%	89.6%	91.4%	94.1%	91.1%	92.8%	89.7%	88.7%

The expected attendance for each student is a minimum of 96%. Individual children identifying as under 96% will be engaging in conversations with staff to ensure their attendance improves.



Psalm 24: 1 The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.



Cyril's Awards

<u>Year 1</u> Oliver has been trying much harder this week with his concentration and has done some fabulous writing and maths work!

Millie was a star in our Nativity and that was very fitting! She always tries her best and is lovely to have in the classroom.

Year 2 Ed for his amazing acting skills. On stage it did not all go to plan but this did not stop him, he kept going and pulled the scene together! Well done Ed.

Evie has had an amazing week in learning time. She has been focussed, attentive and constantly trying to seek answer. I am super impressed!



<u>Year 3</u> Mia is our Cyril Squirrel this week. She has shown herself to be a resilient learner who has continually challenged herself this week. Mia never gives up and we are so proud! Well done, Mia!

Tiana has been resourceful in her learning this week. She has shown a real enthusiasm, particularly towards RE. She has asked some wonderful questions and thinks outside the box. Well done, Tiana!

<u>Year 4</u> Norah is working very hard in all areas of the curriculum particularly her maths and English. Keep it up Norah.

Riley has been trying harder at his English and his maths this half term He's improved on his writing. Keep it up Riley

<u>Year 5</u> Lucas - For having an amazing week, being super positive, enthusiastic in his school work and bringing a lot of really valuable ideas to the table during our class discussions in RE. Fantastic effort!

Naya - For being such an important member of our class, always offering to help and never complaining no matter what is asked of her. She has smashed through maths and put a lot of effort into the writing during our RE topic also!

Year 6 This child has been awesome at writing recently! I was particularly blown away by his 'Grinch Stole Christmas' work we did! Excellent job Korey!!

My next Cyril wrote some stunning poetry this week that nearly made me cry! Well done, Jacob P!

Totes Awards

his week Totes awards go to.....

Year 1 Jacob has been trying much harder with his reading in school and is also reading loads at home- well done!! Year 2

Ajay's reading has developed amazingly. He reads fluently and with expression, wow! Fantastic job Ajay.

<u>Year 3</u> Olivia is the recipient of the Tote bag this week. She has shown an increased enthusiasm for reading and both her fluency and understanding are improving all the time. Keep up the great work, Olivia!

Year 4 Redfer has been improving his reading over the last few weeks and is experimenting with intonation and expression at the moment. Keep it up!

<u>Year 5</u> Sophie - For putting an unbelievable amount of effort into her reading, showing a passion and excitement towards reading that has been lovely to see! Well done and keep it up Sophie!

<u>Year 6</u> I am always impressed with how hard Rosie tries on her reading and how well she contributes in class!



Out of school achievements

Congratulations this week go to

Oscar who was 'Player of the match' Eliza who past her stage 6 in swimming Ajay for passing his stage 3 in swimming Nellie for taking part in a gymnastics competition And Ivy-Grace for gaining her 10M backstroke badge.

Thank you for sharing your achievements with us we think you are all.....







KS1's Wiggly Nativity



Well done to all our KS1 children we loved watching them perform their 'Wiggly Nativity' we thought they were.....











Year 6 Evacuee Day















Our Golden ticket Celebrations

100% Attendance

Autumn Term 2023

57 children were invited to have cake in celebration for being in school every single day since September!













Well done everyone! I wonder who will get a Golden ticket next time?

Our choir's Performance at Grove Place



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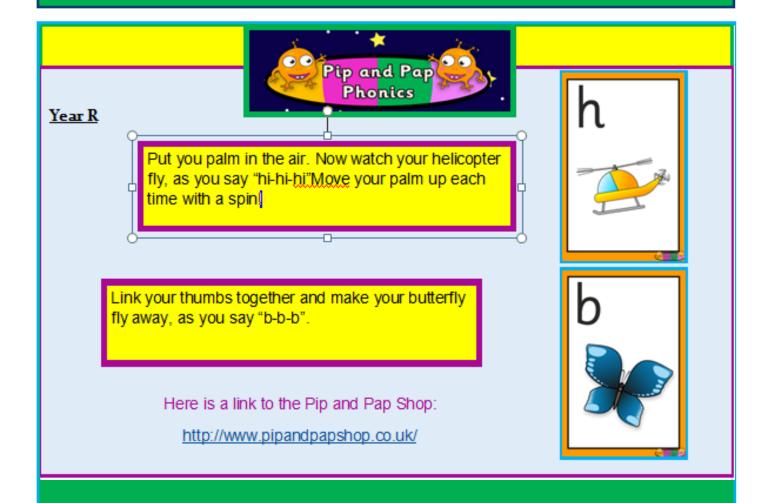


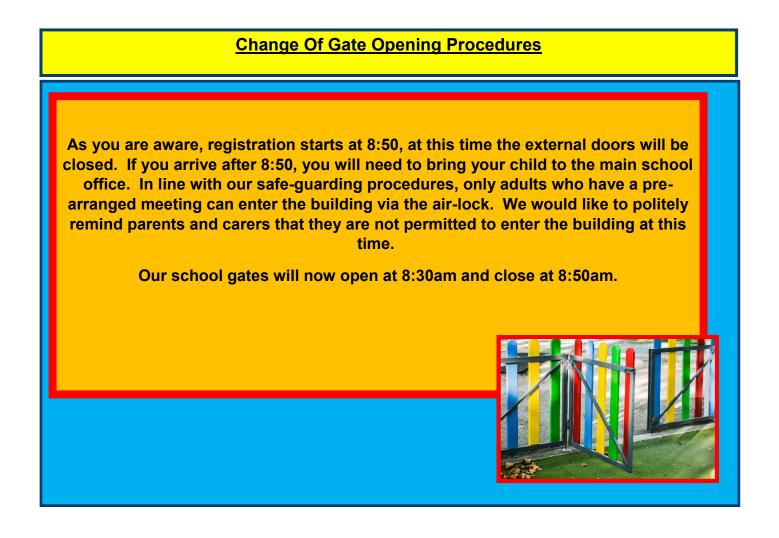


Basketball at The Mountbatten School

Well done to the children who went along to The Mountbatten School to play basketball, we were very proud of them especially as they all received a 'Respect Certificate'







Breakfast Club Notice

Breakfast Club Entry

Thank you to all parents who have followed the instructions for entry to Breakfast Club.

Please ensure you do the following:

Drop your child off within the window of 7:40am - 7:55am when the playground gate is opened and manned.

Be prepared to wait at the playground gate if you arrive after 7:55am until an adult can open it.

Please do not put Mrs Marsh in an awkward position of asking her to open any other gate to let you in. The gate to the car park is not in use at this time due to heavy traffic and staff arriving for work.

Important Dates

Christingle Service at St Johns	Tuesday 12th December		
Pantomime!	Wednesday 13th December		
Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day!	Thursday 14th December		
PTA Christmas Disco. During School day.	Thursday 14th December		
Open Classroom 2.30pm (All Years)	Friday 15th December		
Last day of Autumn Term	Friday 15th December		
No After School Provision			
Pip and Pap Year R and 1 at 2.30pm	Thursday 11th January		
First Day of Spring Term	Tuesday 2nd January		
Young Voices	Monday 29th January		
Pip and Pap 1 and 2 at 2.30pm	Thursday 1st February		
Inset Day	Monday 19th February		
Inset Day	Monday 15th April		
PTA Summer Fayre	Saturday 15th June 2024		
Inset Day	Monday 22nd July		
Inset Day	Tuesday 23rd July		
PLEASE CHECK THIS REGULARLY FOR	CHANGES AND UPDATES		

After School Club

<u>Please be aware that there will be no after school</u> provision on the last day of term.

Friday 15th December





Start the festivities with a bit of fun to test your maths knowledge. Entries open on 1st December and close on 12th December 2023. Once submitted, you will be in with a chance to win a £60 cinema voucher for you and your family.

Simply scan the QR code below and have a go at answering a series of maths questions. This is a great opportunity to get the children involved tool If you are struggling and need some support with any of the questions then our friendly tutors are on hand to support you. Please join the TEAMs call on 6th December at 12pm to talk to a tutor. You can use the link below to join or email multiply@hants.gov.uk to arrange a call.

www.hants.gov.uk/multiply



Best of luck! Wishing you a very Merry Christmas from the Multiply Team. For more information about Multiply please visit



multiply@hants.gov.uk





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Take part in the Christmas Quiz

Train to Teach

Lateness and Requests for Authorised Absence

Children should be in school by **8.50am** each day, when registration begins.

It is important that all children make a good start to the day and are ready to learn.

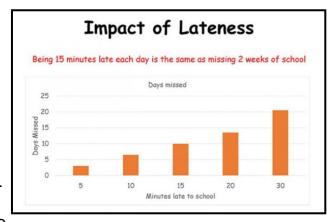
If a child arrives after 8.50am, they will be given a 'late' mark.

Late arrivals disrupt the whole class and children who arrive late are often embarrassed and unsettled because they have missed important instructions.

If children arrive in school after 9.20am they will be marked as an unauthorised absence

Requests for Authorised Absence

Schools are only allowed to authorise absence from school in exceptional circumstances. In making a request for an authorised absence from school you will need to explain why the circumstances are exceptional.. There is no general right to authorise absence



for a family holiday. If you take your child out of school without permission the absence will be unauthorised and a penalty notice may be issued.

School Dinners

Fed up with making packed lunches? Why not order a school dinner?

Children choose from a vegetarian or meat option, and cost £3 for a freshly cooked main meal and pudding, payable via Scopay. Special diets can be catered for by prior arrangement.

Please be aware that we have a new menu - see the link below

If your child has an allergy or any dietary needs please speak to the School For your convenience here is a link to the School Dinner menu. <u>https://documents.hants.gov.uk/HC3S/</u> <u>Picture-Menus-A4-October2023.pdf</u>

The week beginning the <u>11th December</u> **2023** is **week 1** in the cycle.



Communication Flowchart

We know that when parents have a concern that relates to their child at school, whether it is pastoral, friendships, curriculum or staffing in nature, they often feel the best way forward is to ask to see the Head teacher. In our experience, many of these concerns can often be most quickly resolved by talking to the class teacher as they know your children best. Please be aware that the Chair of Governors does not become involved unless a formal complaint is logged having completed all previous steps. The Complaints Policy is on the website.

Please use the chart below to know who you need to speak to.

Who do I speak to and in what order?									
Steps	Learning / Classroom/ Staffing issues	Pastoral / Additional Needs	School Administration						
1	In the first instance, please ar- range to speak to your child's class teacher after school by appointment. Appointments can be made via the school office.	If you're struggling with pastoral issues such as routines, attend- ance or you just need to reach out, ask the office to book you an appointment to speak to Mrs Darke (Parent Liaison).	Please speak to Mrs Man- ning, Mrs H-C or Mrs Petley in the school office.						
2	If you feel your query has not been resolved, please arrange to speak to Mr Booth or Mrs Skeels (Assistant Headteach- ers)	Concerns or actions related to Special Educational Needs or pastoral issues still not sorted, ask the office to book you an ap- pointment to speak to Mrs Mellor (SENCO).	If you have a complaint with regards to a member of the office team, go to Step 3.						
3	If still not sorted?Please make an appointment to speak to our Head teacher, Mrs Jearrad.This meeting may also be attended by a member of the staff or Senior Leadership Team to ensure actions from any previous meetings can be discussed.Still not satisfied? Formal Complaint Process Step 1 with Mrs Jearrad.								
	Formal Complaints								
4	If you are unhappy with the outcome of your queries and are proceeding to a formal complaint Step 2 having followed all the previous steps, please contact our Chair of Governors, Mrs. Jackie Barker								

Out of School Activates and other information

