

Nursling C of E Primary School



Learning to Love. Building Resilience. Taking Responsibility.

Newsletter #14--15th December 2023

Head teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

I really can't believe we are at the end of the Autumn Term! It really has been full of so many exciting and varied learning opportunities for our children.

The work you do to boost your children's learning at home is often so noticeable in the classroom so, as always, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your continued support.

This time of year can be the happiest for many of our families but it can also be quite difficult for others. As we approach the first anniversary of the news of Mr Arthur our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, family, friends and Nursling community as we collectively find strength through our school values of love, hope and courage.

The whole staff team wishes you all a very peaceful Christmas.

With love & best wishes

Mrs Jearrad



Attendance this week

Chestnut	Birch	Willow	Holly	Sycamore	Rowan	Oak	School
91.3%	88.6%	93.4%	94.1%	97.8%	96.2%	98%	94.2%

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.

Reading with your child

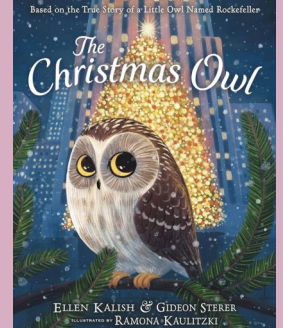
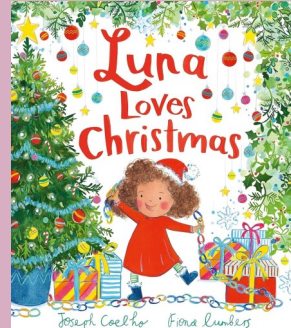
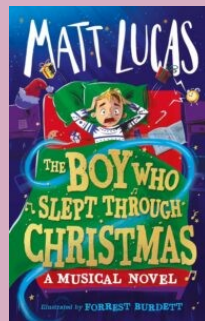
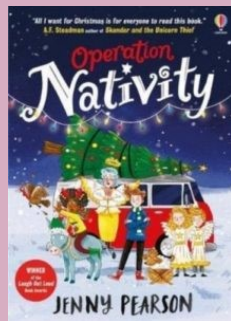
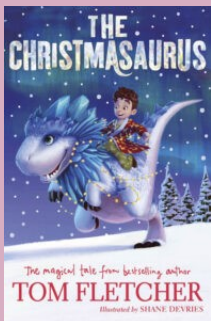
Reading with your child not only increases fluency and understanding but enables them to use and understand new words, recognising how they are spelt too.

There are some good links on our 'Reading for Pleasure' website page.

If looking for book ideas for Christmas, you might find these links useful!

<https://www.independent.co.uk/extras/indybest/christmasgifts/best-christmas-books-kids-children-b1769835.html>

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/seasonal-events/christmas-ks2/>



Thank you to all our Nursling Supporters!

We are so fortunate to have so many volunteers that come into school to support our children in so many ways.

You may be a school governor or part of the PTA, you might come in weekly to hear readers or help in the garden. You might support sporadically by walking with us to church or making decorations, please know we appreciate all that you do!

There are so many ways you can get involved and we'd love to hear from you if you can spare time in 2024.





Nursling School's Christingle



We all made a Christingle this week in our Family Group Collective Worship. The older children were brilliant helping the little ones and their Christingles looked amazing! In the afternoon, the whole school walked to the church where we had a great Christingle service.



Christingle Cont.....



Years 3&4 Music Performance



On Thursday, Year 3 and 4 gave a spectacular performance to their parents and carers. They have been working really hard this term learning pieces on both the recorder and the guitar.

Well done year 3 and 4!



A big well done to this term's Proud Cloud raffle winners at After School Club. The winners are Faith in Year 6 and Brodie in Year R, they both won some exciting prizes.

Faith is an amazing member of our club; we would like to give her a job working here! Every session she attends she is always incredibly helpful. She makes the drinks, writes down snack orders and even made us pizzas last week! She has earned lots of raffle tickets for being kind and helpful both at After School Club and Breakfast Club.

Brodie is a really cheerful member of Cyril's Den. He is always very busy playing, collecting sparkles or running around outside! He is helpful and very good at tidying up. He also has lovely manners and always remembers to say please and thank you which we really like in Cyril's Den. He has earned lots of raffle tickets for his amazing behaviour.

Cyril's Den Proud Cloud Winners



Whole School Christmas Lunch





Out of School Achievements

This week we have.....

Lola who made her Brownie promise

Kaleigh for taking part in a gymnastics competition

Arian for finishing a beam routine at gymnastic

Sienna for being evaluated in Modern

Illaia for finishing stage 1 in swimming

Tiana for going to see 'Wish' with her Brownie pack

Jaime for getting her Yellow Belt in Marshall Arts



Panto time at Nursling

This Years Pantomime was 'Beauty and the Beast' From the cheers, boo's and Oh no he isn't's coming from the hall on Wednesday we think the children thoroughly enjoyed the performance!





New Policy Update

This term, the school has been working hard on a new Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) policy, which is now on our website.

We held a consultation with parents, governors and staff before publishing the policy. We invite you to visit the website to view the policy and the progression of skills your child will gain during their time at Nursling.

New Relationship and Sex Education Policy on our website.

The RSE and PSHE curriculum provides our children with a broad knowledge and understanding of themselves and the world around them.

This policy is excellent because it covers all aspects in a sensitive manner in accordance with the school's vision and values.

It is comprehensive and, as a parent, I feel reassured that the children will have a well rounded education and an open mind for the future..

I can't believe the amount of learning that Nursling do to teach our children how to be safe, respectful people, who will flourish in life beyond school.



Change Of Gate Opening Procedures

As you are aware, registration starts at 8:50, at this time the external doors will be closed. If you arrive after 8:50, you will need to bring your child to the main school office. In line with our safe-guarding procedures, only adults who have a pre-arranged meeting can enter the building via the air-lock. We would like to politely remind parents and carers that they are not permitted to enter the building at this time.

Our school gates will now open at 8:30am and close at 8:50am.



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

First Day of Spring Term	Tuesday 2nd January
Pip and Pap Year R and 1 at 2.30pm	Thursday 11th 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	

We look forward to welcoming you back to School on

Tuesday 2nd January 2024



Cyril's & Totes

Apologies to our brilliant year R Tote and Cyril winners of last week, this is why we think you are great:

Cyril's:

Freya E: For her brilliant attitude towards learning and always being a great role model for the rest of the class.

Ethan: For being a kind and caring member of the class and working hard in everything that he does!

Reading Tote:

Seth: For the incredible progress he has made with his reading since September!



Take part in our Christmas Quiz for your chance to win a £60 cinema voucher!

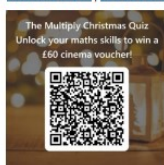


Start the festivities with a bit of fun to test your maths knowledge. Entries open on 1st December and close on 12th December 2023. Once submitted, you will be in with a chance to win a £60 cinema voucher for you and your family.

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 too! 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.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)
Meeting ID: 392 051 839 07
Passcode: ApmMAz

[Download Teams](#) | [Join on the web](#)



Best of luck! Wishing you a very Merry Christmas from the Multiply Team.

For more information about Multiply please visit www.hants.gov.uk/multiply

Take part in the Christmas Quiz

Train to Teach Locally

Start a fantastic and rewarding new career.

Come along to an informal information session to find out more. Call or email to book your place.

- meet course leads and current students
- gain support and guidance for applications
- arrange school experience days

For dates and times, please check our website www.halterworthtsp.co.uk



Primary School-Led PGCE is a post-graduate school based training programme providing students with a combination of excellent classroom experience, alongside high quality training. Upon successful completion you will receive a Post Graduate Certificate of Education, PGCE, with credits towards a Masters including QTS (Level 7).

Provided for you

- ✓ training days each Friday led by nationally recognised Specialist Leaders of Education (SLEs) from our schools; Subject Specific experts; or University of Winchester colleagues
- ✓ four days per week based in a local school, with a contrasting school placement
- ✓ a university and school based mentor
- ✓ full access to the University of Winchester facilities
- ✓ bespoke support from The Halterworth Training School Partnership

Contact us for more information:

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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.

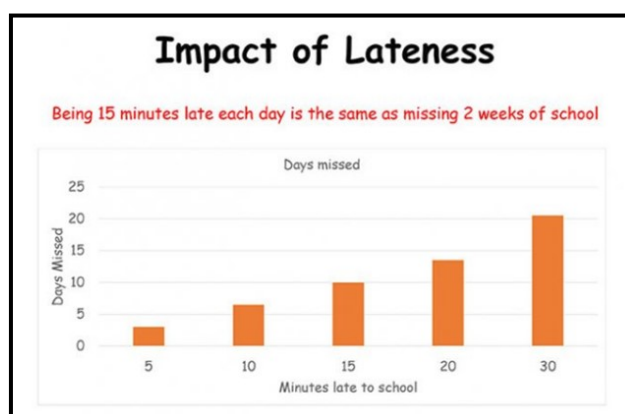
If a child arrives after 8.50am, they will be given a 'late' mark.

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. <https://documents.hants.gov.uk/HC3S/Picture-Menus-A4-October2023.pdf>

The week beginning the **2nd January 2023 is week 2** 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 arrange 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, attendance 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 Manning, 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 Headteachers)	Concerns or actions related to Special Educational Needs or pastoral issues still not sorted, ask the office to book you an appointment 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	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>If still not sorted?</u></p> <p>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.</p> <p>Still not satisfied? Formal Complaint Process Step 1 with Mrs Jearrad.</p>		
	<u>Formal Complaints</u>		
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 Activities and other information

