# **Nursling C of E Primary School**



Learning to Love. Building Resilience. Taking Responsibility.

Newsletter 20 - 7th February 2025

#### **Head teacher's Message**

Wow! What a day we had on Wednesday!

Taking the Choir up to London to the O2 for Young Voices was an absolute privilege and what a great day was had by all!

The children (and adults) sang their hearts out the concert atmosphere was a life experience that the choir will never forget. It is an incredibly long day for everyone involved where our learning behaviours really did come into play. The children showed resilience, readiness and responsibility and we couldn't have been more proud.

Thank you to Miss Tanner and Mrs Hayward, for doing a wonderful job leading a school trip on this scale is not an easy task. Taking 31 children to London is not to be taken lightly and your drive and determination was an absolute strength to making this successful. The risk assessments, seating plans, communications, t-shirt organization all take time to complete and you did all these things out of pure dedication. Teaching the choir the songs was the easy bit!

Miss Holmes and Miss Lipscombe for all your love, care and support to enable this to happen. Mrs H-C for organizing the coach and communicating with everyone along the way!

Every single day, the Nursling Team show total dedication to your children. It was a delight to hear all the lovely comments from the Young Voices parents. It makes all the hard work worthwhile. Thank you for all your support, as always.

Mrs Jearrad

#### **Attendance this week**

Chestnut	Birch	Willow	Holly	Sycamore	Rowan	Oak	School
96%	97.3%	97%	97.5%	93.2%	94.6%	97%	96.1%

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.



I am the way, the truth and the life; no one goes to the father except through me. John 14:6

#### **Cyril's Awards**

**Year R** Bluebell: For her brilliant resilience in writing and her fantastic attitude towards Phonics!

Aiden: For working extremely hard with making kind choices and his hard work in Phonics!

**Year 1** Seth- for super effort in math's this week, really focused and attempting to solve problems on his own.

Anna-Lee- for amazing writing this week, her diary entry was fantastic and had all the things on the checklist!

**Year 2** Arlo is our first Cyril Squirrel this week. He has a fantastic attitude to learning and gives 110% in everything he does. He is a great role model to others, challenges himself and always participates. Keep up the amazing work, Arlo!

Ivy-Grace is our second Cyril Squirrel this week. She has such a positive attitude to learning. She regularly shows our 5 learning behaviours and approaches any challenge with resilience and resourcefulness. She is a wonderful member of Willow Class and a role model to others. Well done, Ivy-Grace!

**Year 3** Jessica has been working really hard this week. She has been trying really hard and produced a lovely diary based on Escape from Pompeii. Well done Jessicia!

Jemima this week has been a superstar. She gave it her all at Young Voices and sang her heart tout. The next day she even arrived at school early to have her guitar lesson and wasn't even tired. Well done for being so amazing Jemima!

**Year 4** Mary Ellen has worked very hard, particularly on her writing and her handwriting over the last few months. Keep it up! Mary Ellen

Trinity continues to work incredibly hard in all areas of the curriculum particularly in English, maths and geography. Keep it up! Trinity

**Year 5** Elliot has worked extremely hard this week, both at school and at home. He has smashed the times tables rockstars challenge and it is really showing in his maths work. On top of this, he has demonstrated a hard-working and focused attitude towards his learning all week which has been a real joy to see!

Liam consistently demonstrates the school values and consistently shows the correct attitude in lessons. He works hard, focuses well and always gives 100% into whatever is asked of him. He is a pleasure to have as part of Year 5!

**Year 6** Mackenzie has been working hard in maths and writing lessons to improve from his starting points, which has been fantastic to see. Keep it up!

Alyssa has blown us away by how quickly she has picked up English. Not only that, she is an astounding mathematician and artist. Legend!



#### For the Love of Nursling Day

We are excited to share that our cancelled Christmas lunch has been transformed into:

"For the Love of Nursling Day."

The day will feature: non-uniform and a timetable filled with activities focused on kindness, self-love, and gratitude. By spreading love and positivity, we can create a more compassionate and caring society. We'll also enjoy a belated festive Christmas lunch and a disco during the afternoon.

Date: Thursday 13th February.

- Non -uniform
- Christmas style lunch
- Disco











#### CAKE DONATIONS

We are asking for donations of cakes and biscuits for the Valentine cake sale on Friday 14th February.

Please bring to school on the morning of 14th February, if you want your boxes back please label them.

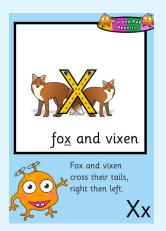


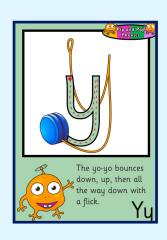




#### This week's Pip and Pap letters are....











**ASC Collection:** Please phone the number below when collecting your child from ASC. Once you have made contact, your child will be brought out to the main school gate.

Hazel Nest phone number: 07543 793590

**New Members:** If you are new to wrap around care please ensure you come to the office or see Miss Holloway for a welcome back, preferably before your child uses this facility.

Reminders: Afterschool club closes promptly at 5:45pm. Late collection will incur a fine.

If you arrive to Breakfast club after 8:20 your child will not be offered breakfast. Breakfast food service stops at this time.

It's been another busy week at After School Club. We have been very impressed with the children's art work this week. Aoife in Year 2 spent the whole session carefully drawing a beautiful picture of a cat. Miles in Year 1 blew us away with his amazing tiny picture of Sonic - a big well done to you both. Lots of raffle tickets and stars have been given out this week for all the children's wonderful work and fantastic tidying up skills. This week we have another Star Jar winner too. Stars go in the jar for brilliant behaviour each session.

A big WELL DONE to Sophia in Year R. The Proud Cloud winners will be announced next week; we have so many raffle tickets in the pot!











This week's winner for their 10 times tables goes to George. He has quickened his speed by 0.4 seconds and is incredibly



This week's winner is Sam. He has answered 193 questions correctly this week!

### **Eco Club**

We would like to say a huge thank you to Deborah Hughes and her team @ Test Valley.gov-uk from Enviromental and Waste Department who have loaned Eco Club new litter pickers and bags.



### This Week's Out of School Achievers







# The Circus

is coming to Nursling Primary School

# Sunday 27th April 2025

Tickets:

£10 a ticket Under 2's FREE\* \*must be on adults lap

Tickets can be purchased at

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/nurslingprimarypta/? event=event&eventId=92894



Gates open at 12:30. Show starts at 14:00 More information on booking website

## **Important Dates**

For the Love of Nursling Day including non-uniform, Christmas-style lunch and disco	Thursday 13th February 2025	
Open Classroom 2.30pm PTA Valentines Cake Sale & last day of half term	Friday 14th February 2025	
World Book Day—space theme and PTA book sale	Friday 7th March 2025	
Inset Day	Monday 24th February	
Performing Arts production at Mountbatten School	Saturday 22nd March 2025	
Mothers day gift sale week	24th—28th March 2025	
Year 4 Residential Parents Meeting	Tuesday 1st April 3.30pm	
Easter Service St Johns Church Collect children from Church at 3pm	Wednesday 2nd April 2025	
PTA Spring Disco (EYFS and KS1 3:15 - 4pm. KS2 4:15 - 5:15pm )	Thursday 3rd April 2025	
Pyjama Day for circus tombola	Friday 4th April 2025	
Open Classroom 2.30pm End of Spring Term No after school club provision		
Happy Circus	Sunday 27th April	
Pip and Pap Workshop 2.30pm (Year R and 1)	Friday 16th May 2025	
Sports Day PTA cake sale & last day of half term	Friday 23rd May 2025	
Fathers day gift sale week	9th—13th June 2025	
Music Festival	Tuesday 10th June 2025	
Parents evenings (Year 1 –6)	23rd and 25th June 2025	
Pip and Pap Workshop 2.30pm (Year R and 1)	Thursday 26th June 2025	
PTA Sponsored event (details to follow)	Friday 27th June 2025	
Year 6 Leavers service 2pm Summer disco (EYFS and KS1 3:15 - 4pm. KS2 4:15 - 5:15pm )	Wednesday 9th July 2025	
Supporters cream tea	Friday 11th July 2025	
Open Classroom 2.30pm End of Summer Term No after school club provision	Friday 18th July 2025	
PLEASE CHECK THIS REGULARLY FOR	CHANGES AND UPDATES	

#### PE uniform reminder

Football kits are not to be worn for PE.

Plain t-shirts in the colour of their house or ones with a logo.

Plain black shorts.

Plain black tracksuit bottoms / leggings / jumper.

# Please take the time to read the important reminders below, which will really help with the transition back to school

- Please label everything with your child's name This includes coats, bags, hats, gloves etc we don't have the space in school to accommodate large volumes of un-named lost property. Lost property is emptied at the end of every term. Anything unnamed will be given to charity.
- **Top up school meal funds** Reminder that the price is increasing to £3.20 per meal effective from September.
- **Medication in School** Please ensure that any medication e.g Inhalers, epipens etc are brought to the school office in the first instance. The medicines will then be logged and stored appropriately. Any medication should be in its original packaging, clearly stating the child's name and an expiry date and an up to date asthma plan will be required to support inhalers in school.
- Absence If your child is absent from school at any time please ensure that you call the school office (02380 732289), leave a voicemail or send a parentmail before 8.50am. If we are not informed of a child's absence, we will continually ring every contact logged on Arbor, until we can establish a reason for the absence. Holiday requests must have a form completed prior to the absence (a supply of these are kept in the school reception).
- After School Clubs Please remember to book your child's place if they would like to attend an
  after school club. Some have proven very popular and are already fully booked apologies if your
  child has missed out this time around. We also have breakfast and after school club available.

#### Safeguarding your children

- **Parking** Our school is a no drive zone and parking within the school is not permitted if you are collecting your child, please park considerately. The community hall has a large car park you can park and walk from. There is one space in the layby for Blue Badge Holders. Please only park in this space if you have a blue badge on display.
- **Castle-** Children are not allowed on the castle unless supervised by a member of staff. School will not be held responsible for any injury caused to a child if this rule is ignored.
- **Bikes and Scooters** Children are not allowed to cycle or scoot on the School grounds. School will not be held responsible for any injury caused to a child if this rule is ignored.

#### **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.

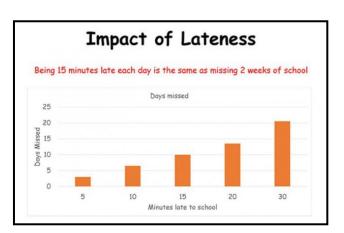
If a child arrives after 8.50am, they will be given a 'late' mark.

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

Check if your child can get free meals https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

Our school caterers are award-winning caterers, managed by Hampshire County Council Education Catering, formerly known as HC3S. Visit the pages on their website for their menus and other information. <a href="https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/hc3s/news">https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/hc3s/news</a>. You can also keep up-to-date, by following them on social media.

Facebook: @hc3seducation Twitter: @hc3s6

Children choose from a vegetarian or meat option, and cost £3.20 for a freshly cooked main meal and pudding, payable via Scopay. Special diets can be catered for by prior arrangement.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/education-catering/parent-information/primary

If your child has an allergy or any dietary needs please speak to the school The week beginning the 7th February 2025 week 1 n the cycle.



#### **Communicating with School**

## **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 Procedure 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 Mellor (SENCO)	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 <b>Mr Booth or Mrs Skeels</b> (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	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.					
	<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, <b>Mrs. Jackie Barker</b>					

#### **Out of School Activities and Support**



