

Nursling C of E Primary School



Learning to Love. Building Resilience. Taking Responsibility.

Newsletter 21 - 14th February 2025

Head teacher's Message

Dear Parents & Carers,

Just look at the smiles on the faces of these Chestnuts who came to show me their good work this week and all received a Headteachers golden sticker!

They were so proud of their writing, and used their phonics to help them read the words back to me.

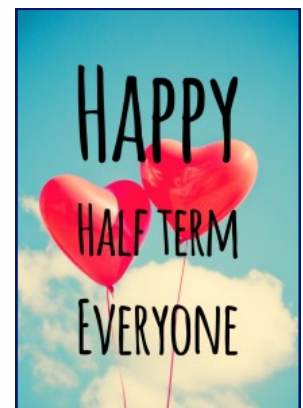
Celebrating our postponed Christmas dinner and disco this week has been a little bit strange, but also a lot of fun! A huge thank you to Terri and Tracy in the kitchen for all their hard work.

The staff team are all looking forward to half term and hope you are too!

Don't forget Monday 24th February is an INSET day so we will see you all back in school on Tuesday 25th February!

Keep safe and well,

Mrs Jearrad



Attendance this week

Chestnut	Birch	Willow	Holly	Sycamore	Rowan	Oak	School
92.7%	96.3%	89.2%	95.4%	97.2%	97.1%	95.2%	94.7%

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.



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

Young Voices Choir at the O2

Last week, 32 of our KS2 children joined the Young Voices Choir and performed at the O2 Arena in London. Everyone got involved with singing and dancing along to all of the songs and made us proud. We were buzzing so much that the kids hardly slept on the way home. They will remember this day for the rest of their lives as will all the adults.



Young Voices



Cyril's Awards

Year R Olivia- For her fantastic independent writing and amazing Book Bingo activities. Well done, Olivia!

Louiee- For his incredible hard work and effort in phonics. Well done, Louiee!

Year 1 Vinnie- for a fantastic attitude to learning this half term, really engaging with his learning, working hard to complete all the challenges and just being a star!



Isabelle- she always has a fantastic work ethic, but this half term she has been working so hard with her writing and we have seen such a positive change- well done Izzy!

Year 2 Sam is our first Cyril Squirrel this week. He always tries his best in every single lesson. He takes on feedback with a smile and always strives to improve! He is great role model and a brilliant friend to every member in Willow Class. Keep up the amazing work, Sam!

Lexa is our second Cyril Squirrel this week. She always has a smile on her face and is a pleasure to teach. She shone on our Love of Nursing day with her positive attitude, great listening and kindness to everyone. Well done, Lexa!

Year 3 Ryland- for being a superstar during his maths interventions. He's working really hard trying to learn his number bonds. Keep this up!

Fleur- for being amazing this week. She has a real enthusiasm for learning and is a role model for all. Well done Fleur, keep this up!

Year 4 Oscar, I am really pleased with the effort that Oscar has put into all of his work over the last few weeks. Well done Oscar. Keep it up.

Niamh has worked incredibly hard with all of her presentation and particularly her maths and writing this term. Well done Niamh .

Year 5 Alex receives the Cyril this week for having an amazing week! He has listened really well, worked very hard and maintained a lot more focus towards his school work! A kind and conscientious boy, Alex thoroughly deserves the award this week!

Norah has worked especially hard with her school work this week. She has shown a great deal of positivity towards school and has come in every day with a smile and a great attitude! Keep it up Norah!

Year 6 Jaiden has been working so hard at home with his school learning. He practices his spellings, reading and maths every week without fail. I'm so proud of him. Keep up the epic work!

Amy has been smashing her learning and is quite possibly the most polite child I've ever encountered. She tries hard always, even when faced with something she is uncertain about.

Question of Faith Day

Year 1 Question of Faith Day

On Tuesday, we had a fabulous time learning all about some of the people Jesus met and how this changed their lives. We thought about change in our own lives and did some fun role play and crafting!



Question of Faith Day – Year2

Last Tuesday, Year 2 spent the whole day learning about what Christians believed in, God's forgiveness and why/when we say Thank you, Sorry and Please. All of this was related to the parable of 'The Lost Son'. The children took part in some acting, discussed how it feels to be forgiven and to forgive, sang a song about forgiveness and we even made some crafts. It was a fun day, with lots to reflect on.



Cross Country at Mountbatten

Cross Country

A massive well done to all the children who attended the Cross Country event in Mountbatten. The weather conditions weren't in our favour (way too cold) and neither was the field (so muddy!), but, you still gave it your very best and made your school proud.

There is one final event on the 24th of February. It is an INSET day for us, but I will be there at 3.45pm, hoping for many of you to turn up.

Who's going to run 3 times, this year?

Mrs. Sciortino





This week's winner for their Gig goes to Trinity. She has been consistent with playing the Gig and has shown a good improvement this past month! Well done!

This week's winner is Imogen. She has won the prize for the most minutes played and the most correct answers!

Internet Safety Day

Tuesday was internet safety day. We were fortunate to be visited by PC Tristan and PC Alex from Romsey police station who talked to the children about internet safety, artificial intelligence, the dangers of talking to strangers online.

The children then had the opportunity to question the police officers about games and the internet and have a good look around the police van. Parents were invited to look around the van as they left school at the end of the day.





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.

At After School Club we have been celebrating love! The children have been making Valentine cards and special pictures. Ellie in Year 6 impressed us with her beautiful cut out "Love" design. Lots of raffle tickets and stars have been given out this week for all the children's fabulous art work.

A big WELL DONE goes out to this term's Proud Cloud raffle winners - our pot was crammed with raffle tickets this term. The winners are Leo in Year 5 and Grace in Year 2. Leo is an amazing member of our club. Every session he attends he is always incredibly helpful; he has also impressed us with his creative talents! Grace is another really helpful member of our club. She is always very busy colouring or making bracelets. She is one of our best tidy uppers too! Miss Holloway, Mrs Marsh and Terri are very proud of you both.



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

Inset Day	Monday 24th February
World Book Day—space theme	Thursday 6th March 2025
For the love of science day PTA book sale	Friday 7th March 2025
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 Open Classroom 2.30pm End of Spring Term No after school club provision	Friday 4th April 2025
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	

Lost property

Please be aware that all lost property that has not been collected and that is not named as of Friday 28th February will be going to the textile recycling bin.

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.

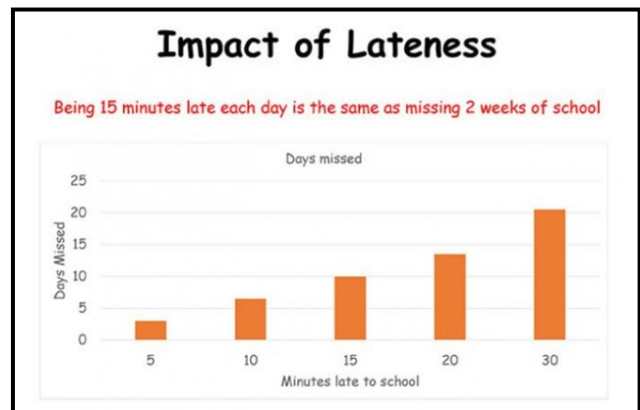
If a child arrives after 8.50am, they will be given a 'late' mark.

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) <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. <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/hc3s/news>. 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 24th February 2025 week 2 in 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 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	<u>If still not sorted?</u>		
	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, Mrs. Jackie Barker		

Out of School Activities and Support



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:

Tel: 01794 512028 Email: training@halterworth.uwinat.co.uk
www.halterworthtsp.co.uk



Train to Teach Primary on the Isle of Wight

Start a fantastic and rewarding new career.

Join an informal online 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

- ✓ fully funded travel to the mainland for Friday training days led by nationally recognised Specialist Leaders of Education (SLEs) from our schools, Subject Specific experts, or the 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:

Tel: 01794 512028 Email: training@halterworth.uwinat.co.uk
www.halterworthtsp.co.uk

FEBRUARY HALF TERM DAY CAMPS

AT THE MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL

Keep your kids active, entertained and learning new skills with Personal Best Education, one of the South of England's leading providers of education and sports coaching. Choose from our **Multi-Activity Camp**, packed with a range of fun activities, or our **Bushcraft Camp** which teaches basic bushcraft skills.



Multi-Activity Camp
Activities include arts and crafts, multi-sports, inflatable, laser tag, cooking and baking.



Bushcraft Camp
Activities include knot tying, beginner fire starting, shelter building and crafting.



£30 Per day

For children aged 6-12

Children must bring a packed lunch & drink

Book Now

Spaces are limited. Book today to secure your child's spot!

01794 510225

enquiries@personalbesteducation.com

Payment options include card, Childcare vouchers and Tax-Free Childcare scheme

Address: The Mountbatten School, Whitnaps Lane, Romsey, Hampshire, SO51 5DZ

Visit: personalbesteducation.com



Green & Thrifty Events

Romsey Library

Monday 17th Feb, 10am - 1pm - Stay & Play

Tuesday 18th Feb, 11am - Storytime

12 - 4pm - Boardgames

Thursday 20th Feb, 10am - 12pm - Men's Shed

10-11am - Go Green Crafts - £2 per child*

11am - Rhymetime

1:30-2pm - Perform 'Under the Sea' - £2 per child*

Friday 21st Feb, 9:30am - 1:30pm - Stay & Play

11:30am - 12:30pm - Bug Hotel Craft*

10am - 4pm - Artist in Residence

2pm - Rhymetime

2:30 - 3pm - Jack and the Beanstalk - Stories in a Suitcase

Saturday 22nd Feb, 10am - 4pm - Artist in Residence

10am - Italian Storytime

10am - 4pm - Boardgames and puzzles

1 - 4pm - Construction Club

Green and Thrifty Fortnight



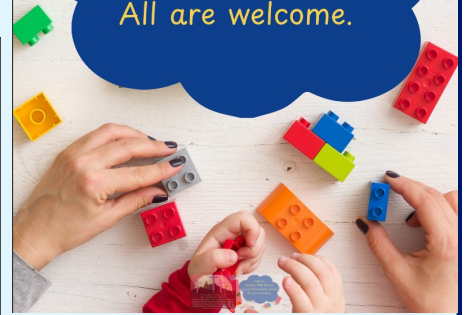
*Book your ticket via shop.hants.gov.uk



hants.gov.uk/library

TWINSPIRES LEGO CHURCH

Join us
Sunday 16th March
4pm in Rownhams School
All are welcome.



Twinspires Churches

Half Term week 17th - 23rd Feb

Due to school half term, Our youth activities and Zoom Morning Prayer will not be running this week. This also includes our Monday Carers and Tots group which will not be running on Mon 24th Feb either due to the local primary school's inset day.

Disney Aladdin JR

Musical by Alan Menken

Lyrics by Howard Ashby, The Walt Disney Studios

Book by Chad Beggs

Based on the Disney film written by Matt Craven, John Musker, Bob Eckstein & Jerry Bruckheimer and directed and produced by John Musker & Ron Clements

Weds 26th - Fri 28th Feb
7:00pm The Lantern Theatre @ Mountbatten School £8.75

Book now!

February 2025 Get Togethers

Our Get Togethers are for parent carers of children and young people (0-25 years old) with any additional needs (diagnosis not needed). What we offer: To Share experiences, discuss local issues and enjoy a cuppa with other parents at our non-judgemental, friendly, and relaxed sessions!

- 6th February, 10am: Fleet - Fleet Town Football Club, Crookham Road, Fleet Hampshire GU51 5FA -
- 11th February, 10am: Eastleigh - St Francis Hall, Nightingale Avenue SO50 9JH
- 12th February, 10am: Basingstoke - The Viables Craft Centre, 19 The Harrow Way, Basingstoke RG22 4BJ
- 25th February 8pm: Evening Zoom - Meeting ID: 890 6612 2644 Passcode: GT
- 28th February, 10am: Alresford - The Swan Hotel, 11 West Street, Alresford, SO24 9AD - SENDIASS ATTENDING

HAMPSHIRE PARENT CARER NETWORK

Hampshire SENDIASS

Follow us on our socials

participation@hpcn.org.uk

HAMPSHIRE PARENT CARER NETWORK February 2025

These sessions are to give parent carers of young people 14-25 years, access to information to support their young person during transitions

- ✓ 7th Feb 7-8pm - Mindfulness - Meditation skills with a Mental health wellbeing Practitioner
- ✓ 11th Feb, 11.30-1pm - Transitions with IPSEA
- ✓ 13th Feb - 7-8pm - Mindfulness, with Solent Trust Practitioner
- ✓ 24th Feb, 1-2pm - Post 16 sexual health concerns - with Solent Trust
- ✓ 25th Feb, 1-2pm - Information session with Sunshine Support
- ✓ 26th Feb, 1-2pm - Information Session with KOOOTH
- ✓ 27th Feb, 6-7pm - Send Employment Post 16 Options - with HCC
- ✓ 28th Feb, 7-8pm - Mindfulness - with a Mental health wellbeing Practitioner

Please book tickets here <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/hpcn>

helping with transitions