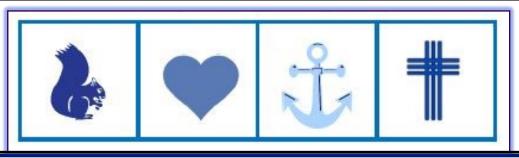
# **Nursling C of E Primary School**



Learning to Love. Building Resilience. Taking Responsibility.

Newsletter 5-4th October 2024

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

Dear Parents and Carers.

Another week has flown past and it has been another busy one!

As you are aware, our staff team continues to evolve as people move on in life and I thought a little update would be appropriate this week.

Some of you may have also spotted another new, familiar face in the Year 2 classroom. We have welcomed Mrs Kyreitseva to our



Learning Support Assistant team and she is enjoying getting to know the children and all the routines around the busy school day.

Our KS2 Learning Leaders were involved in interviewing candidates for a cover teacher role in the school this week, a job Mrs Steel used to do! The Learning Leaders did a fantastic job showing excellent communication skills throughout. They asked the candidates some very poignant questions and showed patience and respect to them all. I was very proud of them.

I know you will all make our new team members feel very welcome when your paths cross in the future.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Mrs Jearrad

#### Attendance this week

Chestnut	Birch	Willow	Holly	Sycamore	Rowan	Oak	School
93%	92.7%	96.1%	94.8%	97.6%	99.3%	97.1%	95.8%

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



# TTRS competition!

Each week we will be running a competition for **Key Stage 2** on Times Table Rockstars.

This week the children have been completing the studio section to get their Rockstar status.



# Don't miss next week's competition......

Next week's competition is based on the Gig section on TTRS. Have a go and you might win!

#### Year 2 Outdoor learning







In Outdoor learning we've been learning about the signs of Autumn - leaves turning orange, yellow and gold and also about animals hibernating. A hedgehog hibernates in Autumn so we thought it was the perfect animal to use to link some outdoor learning with arts and crafts.

We made these cute leaf hedgehogs using just a few simple materials. We went for a walk in our outdoor learning space and collected autumn leaves in different colours. Our challenge was to find some red leaves. We collected dry leaves from the ground and when we went back in class we cut them and stuck them on green card.

What do you think of our hedgehogs? We think they're adorable! Do you think you can make other animals at home?

















## **City Mission**





A message from Citty Mission:

We are so grateful that you have chosen to donate food for our project.

All of the food you give goes to ordinary families and individuals in need in Southampton.

So, a heartfelt THANK YOU for your kindness and generosity.





## PTA Autumn disco



A big shout out to our wonderful PTA for organsing our school disco, all the children and staff, had a great time dancing along and singing with DJ Andy!







#### Cyril's Awards

#### Year 1

Brodie- for such enthusiasm with our new handwriting lessons and working really hard to transfer this into his writing book

Edie- for working so hard with writing and blending to write some amazing sentences.

#### Year 2

Ellie is our Cyril Squirrel this week. Ellie is consistent-

ly showing our school values. She tries hard in all pieces of work and shows great pride in her presentation. Keep up the great work, Ellie!

Harry is our second Cyril Squirrel. Harry always has his head down focusing on his work. He is keen to share his ideas to the class and his learning behaviours are impeccable. Well done Harry!

#### Year 3

Everly has been amazing this week, she has been fully engaged with our new class book. She has been confidently explaining the meaning of certain words. Great work Everly keep this up!

Jash has been brilliant this week. He has come in ready to learn and has been trying extremely hard across the board. Jash has produced some wonderful writing this week and has even had the confidence to go back, edit and improve his work. Well done Jash, keep up the good work!

#### Year 4

I'm really pleased with the effort that Trinity has put into all areas of a curriculum but particularly her reading and her writing. Well done Trinity. Keep it up.

Sienna never fails to impress me with the effort that she puts into all areas of her learning. Well done Sienna!

#### Year 5

Brandon, For blowing myself and Miss Hole away with his writing this week. He pushes himself every day with not only his writing, but with all his other subjects and sets an example for others to follow.

Izzy has really impressed me this week with her writing. She managed to write three pages which was an amazing effort. She then took feedback on board really well and engaged in improving her writing which I thought deserved recognition this week!

#### Year 6

I have been so impressed with Oscar this half term so far. He is a child that tries incredibly hard and always strives to be the best he can be. What a legend!

Sofia is another child who tries really hard to be the best she can be. She is also the first one to lend a helping hand and help other people.



## Out of school Achievement









# Cauliflower Card's



Coming home this afternoon

#### Parent Tour dates for September 2025 intake

# STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2025?

We are pleased to announce that our Year R tours will be taking place from 11 – 11.45am on:

Friday 8th November

Monday 11th November

Thursday 21st November

Tuesday 26th November

To book a place, please call the School Office on 02380 732289. We look forward to welcoming you!

#### **Parent governor Vacancy**

Please contact the school office to apply.

Closing date is 18th October 2024.







### **Important Dates**

Individual Photos	Tuesday 15th October 2024		
Yr R and 1 Pip and Pap Workshop 2.30pm	Friday 18th October 2024		
Virtual Parents Evenings	Monday 21st and Wednesday 23rd October 2024		
Open Classroom 2.30pm	Thursday 24th October 2024		
INSET day	Friday 25th October 2024		
School Resumes	Monday 4th November 2024		
Year 1 Trip	Tuesday 5th November 2024		
Year 3 Trip	Thursday 7th November 2024		
Year 5 swimming all week	11th—15th November 2024		
Years R,1 & 2 Nativity 2pm & 6pm	Wednesday 11th December 2024		
Open Classroom 2.30pm	Friday 20th December 2024		
End of AutumnTerm			
No after school club provision			
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.

#### Safeguarding your children

It is always good to start the year with good knowledge and understanding around safeguarding.

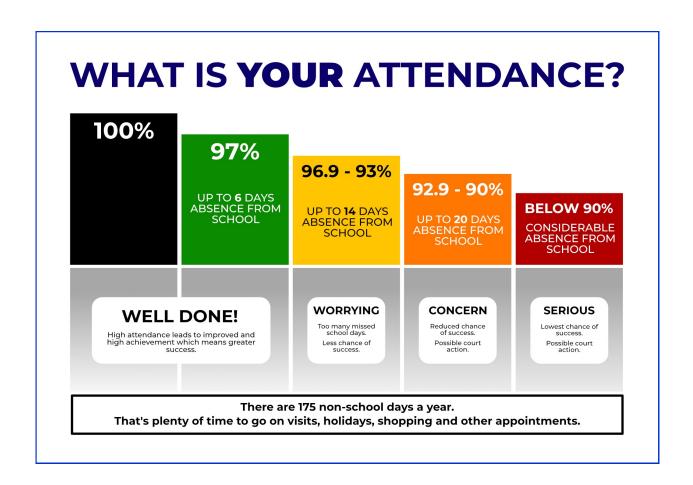
# Safeguarding is EVERYONE'S responsibility.

This means parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles, school staff and all members of the community are responsible for ensuring children are safe and concerns are raised in a timely manner.

#### **Attendance**

If your child is not in school and we do not know why, we will follow our safeguarding procedures. School will contact you and proceed down your list of contacts if your phone is switched off.

House calls will be made if we have particular concern for the whereabouts of your child.



If your child is absent from school, it is imperative you let the school office know. Save embarrassment and be truthful. The amount of times we are told a child is off with illness and the child tells us of their lovely holiday or break when they come back to school.

#### **Important Dates continued**

# School Term & Holiday Dates

2024-25

#### Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2nd September 2024 = INSET Day
Tuesday 3rd September 2024 = School Resumes for pupils
Friday 25th October 2024 = INSET Day
Mon 28th October- Fri 1st November 2024 = Half Term
Friday 20th December 2024 = Last day of Autumn Term

(No after school provision on 20th December 2024)



# Spring Term 2025

Monday 6th January 2025 = School Resumes

Mon 17th February - Fri 21st February 2025 = Half Term

Monday 24th February 2025 = INSET Day

Friday 4th April = Last day of Spring Term

(No after school provision on 4th April 2025)



#### Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 = School Resumes

Monday 5th May 2025 - Bank Holiday

Mon 26th May - Fri 30th May 2025 = Half Term

Friday 18th July 2025 = Last day of Summer Term

(No after school provision on 18th July 2025)



Monday 21st July and Tuesday 22nd July 2025 = INSET Days

#### **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.

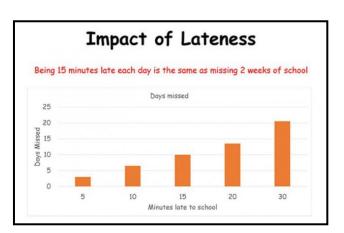
If a child arrives after 8.50am, they will be given a 'late' mark.

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 for a freshly cooked main meal and pudding, payable via Scopay. Special diets can be catered for by prior arrangement. From September meals the price of meals will increase to £3.20

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 October 2024 is 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 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 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	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.					
	<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>					