

Nursling C of E Primary School



Learning to Love. Building Resilience. Taking Responsibility.

Newsletter 19- 2nd February 2024

Head teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow! What a week I have had enjoying many great Nursling achievements and celebrations with your children!

Last Friday, I just happened to finish a meeting at Mountbatten earlier than anticipated which enabled me to pop outside to see the end of the Y5/6 Football tournament. Our boys did incredibly well and really held their own in the elite group matches. I saw them win a match and draw a match but the final match they played against Rownham's was nail biting! Our boys were really unlucky that their chance at goal hit the bar and Rownham's chance went in. The referee came over especially to congratulate the team and tell them how impressed he was with their attitude and skill.

Then on Monday, I accompanied our school choir up to the O2 in London for the day where we participated in Young Voices. What an amazing day! The choir performed alongside many other school choirs from all over the country. They knew all the words to all the songs which meant they performed them with such great confidence and enjoyment,

These events just wouldn't be possible without the hard work and dedication from our incredible staff team who dedicate their own time for the enjoyment of your children. Thank you Mr Allen, Miss Tanner, Miss Hayward and Miss Hole. Without your willingness to go above and beyond, it would not have been possible to attend these events.

Mrs Jearrad

Attendance this week

Chestnut	Birch	Willow	Holly	Sycamore	Rowan	Oak	School
96.3%	96.4%	97.1%	92.8%	98.5%	97.9%	98.7%	96.8%

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.



**"Be joyful because you have hope. Be patient when trouble comes and pray at all times."
Romans 12:12**

Young Voices



On Monday the Nursling School Choir travelled up to the O2 arena to perform in the Young Voices Choir Concert along-side 35000 other children.

The children have been tirelessly re-hearsing for months. The children have learnt some really important life skills, teamwork, resilience, coordination and confidence building. This has also been

really supporting our school music curriculum as the children have been exposed to a vast catalogue of different styles of music.

The children sang pop medleys, 90s, Disney and even a song in Korean.

It was a night none of the children and parents who travelled up to **watch** will ever forget. We are so proud of our hardworking choir!



Young voices cont.



I felt very nervous but also very excited. I was very happy because my parents are coming

Jaime

I think it was very huge and the thought of being embarrassed is very scary!

Jaya

I was all very big and exciting and Loud!

Anna

Young voices was amazing, can I go in 2025? Please, please, please!

Rosealia

It was actually unbelievable that we are here. I felt like I was dreaming!!

Sophie

I was so excited to work and perform with other schools. It was just the best!

Irianna

World Book Day. A Day at the Beach!

TIME TO GET CREATIVE!

Our World Book Day Theme this year is 'Day at the Beach!' Once again, we are going to be decorating the corridor so we would love the children to get creative and make things to be displayed. A great half term activity!

We would like each class to make (paint / draw / colour) specific things but do feel free to dip into other year groups and make extra! They will be displayed on the classroom doors and down the corridor.

Year R – creatures on from the beach (crabs, shells, starfish)

Year 1 – buckets, spades and sandcastles.

Year 2 – beach balls and sun umbrellas

Year 3 – ice creams and lollies

Year 4 – games you play at the beach.

Year 5 – surfboards and sunglasses

Year 6 – books to read at the beach.

Beach towels for Mrs Mellor!

Any other creations will be welcomed!

Don't forget to get your costumes ready for our World Book Day on Friday 8th March 2024!



Thank you for your creations!

Thank you Everly (Y2) for my Cyril Squirrel, cushion and letter 'J' that you made for me!

You are so clever!



Thank you Ella (YR) who made me a flower out of Hama Beads and it took her a really long time to do! I love it!



Thank you Aliana (Y3) for making me your symbol for 'Love, Hope & Courage!' I think it is great!



Leprosy Mission - Gloves to Show Love



On Wednesday, the school was filled with colourful gloves as we challenged ourselves to complete our days whilst wearing gloves. This was to highlight the challenges that people affected with leprosy go through daily. Thank you to everybody who contributed, we have so far managed to raise around £70. This pays for the charities wonderful work in Asia and Africa supporting and healing those with leprosy. We will be collecting money until half term so don't worry if you forgot on Wednesday! Every child in the school will be receiving a 'leprosy mission bug' as a thank you. Any children that manage to raise £5 will also receive a wristband. If you manage to raise £10, you receive a sandal keyring as your £10 pays for a real pair of sandals to protect affected people's feet. These will be handed out after half term.

Thank you to the student that raised £10, that's a pair of much needed sandals. Amazing!!



Mrs. Payne's Collective Worship

We have had a varied and exciting week in Collective Worship this week! We have been focusing on the Christian Value and learning behaviour of Responsibility. Monday saw the theme of Responsibility being introduced to the children. On Tuesday, we had Ewan telling us the story of Jesus healing a man with leprosy. This led straight into our special visitors on Wednesday who came from the Leprosy Mission. They told us all about Leprosy and we had a go at opening a chocolate bar with gloves on - it was quite challenging! They told us all about the terrible effects of untreated leprosy and the challenges that some children face in different countries. On Thursday, our Spiritual Leaders led a classroom Collective Worship about responsibility. We heard the story Jesus told about two brothers - one who worked hard but didn't do as he promised to, whilst the other brother surprised his father by helping even when he said he wouldn't.

For our Collective Worship challenge this week, we would like the children to show responsibility in making a change for people with leprosy. This may be raising money or awareness for the Leprosy Mission. They can chat about the charities work with family or friends or perhaps make a poster. It is up to you! Any pieces of work please give to Mr Booth for a house point and for our Collective Worship book.



Mrs Mellor's Collective Worship



Mrs Mellor led Collective Worship this week on the theme of responsibility, she highlighted the impact of human's plastic waste on sea creatures, particularly hermit crabs (pictured) and shared a story with the message that one person can make a big difference. Mrs Mellor then highlighted the soft plastic recycling points at large supermarkets. Our Eco monitors in Year 4 have been collecting soft plastic waste from the children at lunchtime so we can see the huge difference we can make when we are collectively responsible. We will be sharing with you the progress of our collection in the coming weeks.

Cyril's Awards

Year R Aliza- For becoming more and more independent every day, especially with her reading and writing!

Hugo- For always being kind and caring and writing beautiful instructions for how to bake a Gingerbread Man!

Year 1 Imogen- for coming first in the cross country event at Mountbatten this week- well done you!!



Mikey- for being really engaged with his learning this week and having some great ideas during class discussions.

Year 2 Pacey has been so focussed this week, at all times his has been attentive and prepared to raise his hand. His progress is great.

Thomas has impressed us so much with his story writing. His pirate adventure story was epic and made me want to read on more.

Year 3 Olivia- for being really reflective with her learning. She has been responding to feedback really well and her work is really improving. Keep up the good work Olivia!

Trinity- for being so responsible for her learning especially in her music. She was answering question using the correct musical terminology. Well done, Trinity!

Year 4 Poppy. As one of our spiritual leaders, Poppy presented a PowerPoint about responsibility to the whole class as part of collective worship she encouraged the children to be responsible.

Casey also worked on the presentation to the whole class questioning the children and encouraging answers. Well done to both of them

Year 5 Laurence - For really stepping it up with his writing and seeing an improvement in his attitude towards work, keep up the good work Laurence!

Anastasiia - For producing really good work in our English write, as well as putting in a lot of effort into all her school work, matched by an exemplary attitude towards school life.

Year 6 Dylan - I have been really impressed with Dylan's work ethic this past week. Greater concentration in class has led to some incredible work produced. Well done, Dylan!

Heidi is always such a fantastic role model to everybody in class. I have been particularly impressed with her writing recently, which I know she is working really hard on. Keep it up, Heidi!

Totes Awards

This week Totes awards go to.....

Year R Delilah- For putting 110% effort into her reading and always reading more than five times at home every week!

Year 1 George- for making amazing progress with his reading, he is really putting the effort in and working hard!

Year 2 Charlie has grown and grown with confidence, we love hearing him read and know that he is trying so hard.

Year 3 Tiana has been reading with such fluency this week. She will happily read in front of the class which has been wonderful to hear.

Year 4 Kimberly has impressed me all week with her intonation and inference showing up throughout her reading. Well done Kimberly

Year 5 Henry - For fantastic reading during guided reading, trying really hard to add intonation into his reading!

Year 6 I get Sophie's reading journal every single week with at least 5 entries in. What dedication to her learning! I'm super proud of Sophie and she deserves our Tote bag this week.



A Note From Mrs Darke

Dear Parents and Children,
Sadly I will be leaving Nursling at the end of this half term to take up a teaching position at another school. My last day will be Friday 9th February. I am sorry to be leaving you but I have really enjoyed supporting you and will miss the children so much!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you the best of luck for the rest of this school year and beyond!

Mrs Darke xxx

We would like to say a big "thank you" to Mrs Darke, for all her hard work with our children and families. she will be missed by everyone.

We wish her all the best of luck in her new job.



Pip and Pap

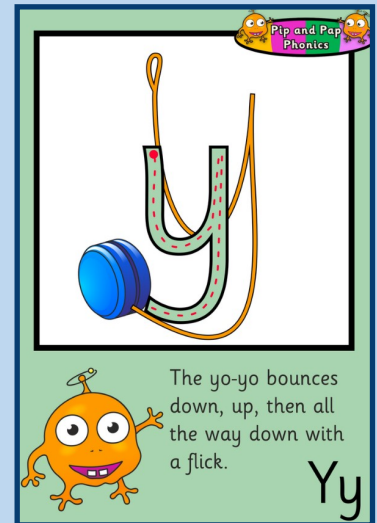


Year R

Release a yo-yo by flicking your wrists, saying “y-y-y” as you do so.

Here is a link to the Pip and Pap Shop:

<https://pipandpapshop.co.uk/>



Light the South Art Sculpture Trail in Southampton

Light the South is a family-friendly outdoor art sculpture trail taking place in Southampton and Cowes from July 2024 to September 2024.

Following on from previous successful trails (Go Rhino! Trail in summer 2013; Zany Zebra Trail in summer 2016; Hares of Hampshire in summer 2022), it is made up of 40 80ft lighthouse sculptures designed by local artists and 80 mini 3ft lighthouses designed by local schools.

The aim of this project is to increase visitors to Southampton and Cowes, engage local companies and schools in a larger project and to raise funds for the Southampton Children's Hospital who will receive funds through the auctioning of the larger lighthouses and various projects running alongside the Light The South trail.

Despite the large amount of applicants, we were lucky enough to be allocated a mini lighthouse which will be arriving in February for us to design and paint before being picked up in April ready to be displayed.

This Year's World Book Day

This is going to be linked to the Little Lights Lighthouse Sculpture with the theme

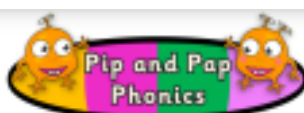
'Day at the Sea Beach'

Get your costumes ready for **Friday 8th March - No swimwear**



Explore. Discover. Unite.

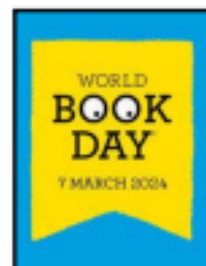




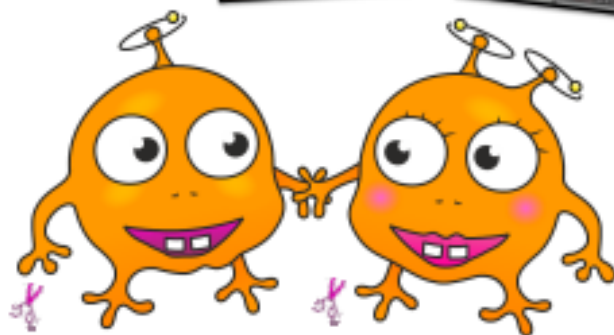
World Book Day Competition!

For this year's "Pip and Pap" World Book Day Competition we are asking you to design their own "Pip and Pap" book – complete with title and front cover!

Using the images for inspiration, can you illustrate your own 'Pip and Pap' inspired front cover and think of a title for your book?
Please feel free to use the template overleaf.



Your story can feature any Pip and Pap character or an alien of your own, but we have provided an image of Pip and Pap for you to cut out and use if you wish!



Entries need to be sent to pipandpap@manselpark.net or given in to your school office by 4pm on Monday 26th February. The winner will have their design brought to life and will win a Pip and Pap book of their choice!



Written and Illustrated By:

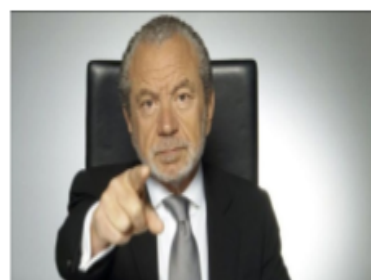


Business and Enterprise Day!

Thursday 8th February 3.10-3.45pm

Year 6 have become entrepreneurs that Lord Alan Sugar would be proud of and are busy designing, producing and marketing products to sell at the school. The event will take place at the end of the school day on the field (or in the school hall if the weather is poor).

There will be fun activities and plenty of tasty treats on sale. Prices range from 20p – 50p.



Sports News

Cross Country

Monday saw the first of our cross country evenings. Well done to all the children that came to participate. We had a range of children from year 1 up to year 6. All the children placed really well and did us proud. Specific mention to Imogen who finished 1st in the KS1 girls race! Amazing job Imogen! Other special mentions to Lexa who finished 3rd and Thomas who also finished 3rd but in the KS1 boys race. Same again next week everyone.

If you want to attend, there are still two more nights (5th February and 19th February) and plenty of space.

Please let the office know.

Last week's Football Tournament photos



World Thinking Day

Members of the Guiding and Scouting movement are welcome to wear their uniforms into school on - World Thinking Day - on 22nd Feb.

Each year on 22nd February, members of the Girl Guide and Scout movements worldwide celebrate World Thinking Day. It is a day when they think of each other and the Promise they have made and give thanks and appreciation for local and international friendships.

22nd February was chosen as the date for Thinking Day because it was the shared birthday of Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scout Movement, and his wife Olave, who served as World Chief Guide.

<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/what-we-do/events-and-opportunities/events/world-thinking-day/what-is-world-thinking-day/>

One of the traditions of Thinking Day is that members of the Guiding and Scouting movements wear their uniforms to school to show others that they are part of the movement.



Important Dates

Open Classroom	Friday 9th February
Half Term	Monday 12th - Friday 16th February
Inset Day	Monday 19th February
Pip and Pap Yr. R and 1 at 2.30pm	Thursday 29th February
Little Lighthouse art week	Monday 4th - Friday 8th March
PTA Mothers Day Sale	Monday 4th - Friday 8th March
Zoolab	Tuesday 5th March
World Book Day	Friday 8th March
Pip and Pap Yr. R and 1 at 2.30pm	Thursday 21st March
Open Classroom	Thursday 28th March
No after school provision	Thursday 28th March
Easter Holidays	Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April
Inset Day	Monday 15th April
PTA Spring Disco	Wednesday 24th April
Sports Day	Friday 3rd May
Pip and Pap Yr. R and 1 at 2.30pm	Thursday 9th May
Walk to School Week	Monday 20th - Friday 24th May
Year 4 Residential - Countryside Trust	Monday 20th - Wednesday 22nd May
Year 3 SeaCity Museum	Tuesday 21st May
KS1 Mill Cottage Farm	Thursday 23rd May
Open Classroom	Friday 24th May
Half Term	Monday 27th - Friday 31st May
Year 5 Egyptian Museum	Wednesday 5th June
Pip and Pap Yr. R and 1 at 2.30pm	Thursday 6th June
Love of Science Day	Friday 7th June
PTA Fathers Day Sale	Monday 10th - Friday 14th June

Important Dates continued

Parents Evening (f2f)	Monday 10th June
Parents Evening (f2f)	Wednesday 12th June
Showcase Musical Festival	Thursday 13th June
PTA Summer Fayre	Saturday 15th June 2024
Year 6 Residential	Wednesday 19th to Friday 21st June
Year 1 Moors Valley	Tuesday 25th June
KS2 Music Concert	Friday 28th June
Year 2 Hillier's Arboretum	Wednesday 3rd July
Year 6 Leavers Service St Johns	Wednesday 10th July
Supporters Cream Tea	Friday 12th July
PTA summer Disco	Wednesday 17th July
Open Classroom	Friday 19th July
No after school provision	Friday 19th July
Inset Day	Monday 22nd July
Inset Day	Tuesday 23rd July
PLEASE CHECK THIS REGULARLY FOR CHANGES AND UPDATES	

Miss Hayward still needs your help!

She is in need of Cylindrical shaped items for an up and coming project - Pringle tubes, wrapping paper tubes, kitchen roll tubes (no toilet roll tubes) etc.....



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.

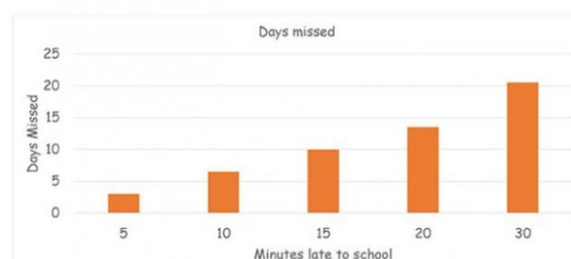
If children arrive in school after 9.20am they will be marked as an unauthorised absence

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.

Impact of Lateness

Being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing 2 weeks of school



School Dinners

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

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 **5th February 2024** 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 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



Children's Mental Health week is coming up from 5th - 11th February. The theme this year is 'My Voice Matters'. As part of this week we will be inviting the children to come in on Friday 9th February in non-uniform. The theme of the day is 'express yourself'.



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