



Dear Parents,

8 September 2023

Autumn Newsletter No. 1

Welcome back to all our children and a special welcome to our new Year 3's and their families. The children have all settled in so well this week despite the hot weather and they all seem very happy and enthusiastic, it has been lovely to see.

Year 6 - APPLICATIONS TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

The online application service at Hampshire County Council will open for you to apply for your child's secondary school place on Monday 11 September. Please go to <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions> the deadline for applications is 31 October 23.

Curriculum Information Meetings

You will be able to come into school to hear a presentation from your child's year group regarding this terms curriculum content:

Year 3	14 September at 3.30pm, in Year 3 area
Year 4	13 September at 3.30pm, in Year 4 area
Year 5	14 September Curriculum and Stubbington information evening at 6.00pm in the hall
Year 6	15 September at 3.30pm Curriculum and Calshot in formation, in 6HR work area

PE Days for This Half Term - **Please send your child to school wearing their PE kits on PE days.**

Year 3	Monday and Wednesday
Year 4	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 5	Monday, Wednesday Swimming Lessons
Year 6	Tuesday and Friday

Swimming

Year 5 Swimming starts on 11 September taking place on Mondays and Wednesdays for 6 weeks.

Stationery Shop

The Stationery Shop is now open, we sell both essential stationery and fun items such as novelty erasers and pencils. All items are priced between 25p and £1.

Lunchboxes

Please can you ensure that there are NO NUT products of any description in your child's lunchbox, including **all types of chocolate spread**. We have a number of children with serious nut allergies and we need to ensure the school remains a nut free environment for their safety. Please can you also limit the number of sweet treats in your child's lunch box to just one, thank you.

Cycling to school

Please be aware that if your child has not completed a cycling proficiency course, they are not allowed to cycle to school alone, you are more than welcome to cycle with your child. Permits are available at the Office

Snacks and Tuck Shop

Healthy snacks can be purchased from the Kitchen at break times, no item is priced greater than 50p. Year 3 please do not forget that the Government no longer funds snacks.

Earrings and PE

A large number of children have had their ears pierced over the Summer Holidays. Please can you ensure that in the 6 week period that you provide them with micropore tape to cover them during PE and once this healing process has completed to ensure they are able to take them out during PE as this is far safer for them than the tape option.

Playdale

Please could all parents be aware that due to there being no supervision of the Playdale, before or after school, for their safety, the children should not be using this facility during these times.

Dinner Money

Please note that the cost of a school dinner remains at £3.00. Please remember to check your online dinner accounts regularly in order to maintain funds. Are you entitled to Free School Meals? Please visit www3.hants.gov.uk/hc3s/freeschoolmeals.htm to check if you eligible.

Junior Duke - Deadline for returning your forms is 15 September.

Yours sincerely

Fiona Craig

Head Teacher

Inset Days for 2023/2024

1 September 2023

20 October 2023

15 December 2023

28 March 2024

3 June 2024

Term Dates and Inset Days 2023/2024 - PLEASE NOTE NEW DATES OR CHANGES IN YELLOW

Autumn Term 1 Monday 4 September to Thursday 19 October 2023

Half Term 23 - 27 October 2023

Autumn Term 2 Monday 30 October to Thursday 14 December 2023

Spring Term 1 Tuesday 2 January to Friday 9 February 2024

Half Term 12 - 16 February 2024

Spring Term 2 Monday 19 February to Wednesday 27 March 2024

Summer Term 1 Monday 15 April to Friday 24 May 2024

Half Term 27 May to 31 May 2024

Summer Term 2 Tuesday 4 June to Tuesday 23 July 2024

September

11 September Year 5 Swimming starts Monday and Wednesday for 6 weeks

13 September Year 4 Curriculum Meeting - 3.30pm in year group area

14 September Year 3 Curriculum Meeting - 3.30pm in year group area

14 September Year 5 Curriculum meeting and Stubbington Information Evening together at 6.00pm in hall

15 September Year 6 Curriculum and Calshot Information meeting in the 6HR work area

15 September Deadline for returning your Junior Duke forms

28 September School Council Elections

October

3 October School Photographs - if this is your child's PE day, please wear school uniform and bring your PE kit

6 October 3.00 SEND ASD Workshop in the Green Room

9 October Parents Evening, in person, 3.30 - 6.30pm

10 October Parents Evening, in person, 3.30 - 6.30pm

10 October Flu Immunisation for Whole School

13 October Dress Down Day £1 donation in aid of Spotlight

16 October Harvest Festival at St Marks's Church

18 October Last Swimming Session Year 5

18 October 2 x Year 4 classes to Selbourne, will confirm which classes nearer the date

19 October 1 x Year 4 class to Selbourne will confirm which class nearer the date,

20 October INSET DAY, SCHOOL CLOSED

23-27 Oct HOLIDAY CLUB

30 October Children return from half term.