



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have new life in Early Years! The children have been very excited about the three newly hatched chicks this week. Next week we are hoping that we will have new butterflies too.

Whilst there has been excitement in Year R, there has been some very focused work in Year 6. The children and their teachers have worked very hard to prepare for the SATs. This is a chance for the children to show how much they have learned and that they are ready for their move to secondary school. We wish them all the very best next week – Good Luck Year 6!

Meanwhile Year 2 have also been completing their SATs. The SATs in Year 2 are used for the teachers to make their end of Key Stage evaluations, which we have to submit to the government. The Year 2 team have been very impressed with how resilient the children have been. Well done Year 2!

Uniform Reminders

Please can children have a school uniform PE kit in school at all times (a white Whitchurch logo t-shirt and maroon shorts from Skoolkit, not football tops or other coloured shorts please).

For Forest School sessions, children need to bring in a long-sleeved top, long trousers and appropriate footwear on the day.

Shoes should be black school shoes or sensible black boots, which are flat. Not trainer style shoes, platforms, sling backs or ugg style boots. In the summer months, the children may wear dark coloured or white sandals.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs K Steven
Head Teacher

Tidy Classroom Award: Seals
Best Lunchtime Award: Seals

Next week in:

Year R we will be writing a letter to Hairy Maclary to help him to overcome his fear of cats.

Year 1 we will be writing our adventure stories based on the book 'The Magic Bed' by John Burningham.

Year 2 we will be creating Bog Baby habitats. Please send in a container suitable, eg. ice cream tub, shoe box, margarine tub. Thank you.

Year 3 we need parent helpers for our geography field trip walk into Whitchurch to gather data – Friday 18th May 1.30-3.00pm. Please let your class teacher know if you are able to help. Thank you.

Year 4 we will be developing our understanding of rules and skills needed to play a game of rounders.

Year 5 we will be learning to measure angles and writing different sentence structures in English.

Year 6 we will be wishing all of the children good luck as they try their best in their SATs tests.

Leading Learners

Pelicans	Sam	Panthers	Ollie
Penguins	Cleo	Lions	Leon
Seahorses	Kai	Tigers	Robyn
Turtles	McKinley	Doves	Levi
Otters	Shaun	Kingfishers	Noah
Seals	Oscar	Eagles	Amelie
Dolphins	Elsie	Kestrels	Sam
Jaguars	Lacey		

Roll of Honour

- All of the Year R children for being kind and caring towards the new children at the stay and play sessions.
- Seahorses class for a fantastic worship with the theme 'Difference'.
- Samuel of Seals for being a good role model for showing resilience in class.
- Freyja of Otters for showing great determination during maths all week.
- Charlie of Tigers for excellent focus and answering so many questions in class.
- Isaac of Kestrels for being a calm, supportive friend in an emergency.
- Eva, Emily and Grace of Kestrels for their amazing effort writing the newsletter.

Attendance

The best classes last week in **KS1** were Seals with 98.80% and in **KS2** were Doves with 100%.



House Points winners this week are Endeavour. Well done children!

Library News

The library is open on Mondays after school until 4.00pm for parents and children.

Christopher Edge - Author Visit Year 5 & 6 - Tuesday 22nd May

Christopher Edge will be visiting Year 5 & 6 on 22nd May as part of his tour for his latest book, 'The Infinite Lives of Maisie Day'. If you wish to purchase books to be signed on the day you can pre-order to guarantee a specific title or there will be a selection of books to purchase on the day of the visit. Please hand in any orders to your class teacher.

Change of date to the diary - Steve Antony Visit - now Monday 16th July for Years R, 1 and 2.

Change to Menu – Thursday 17th May – Royal Wedding Celebration!

Royal Roast Chicken or Veggie Quorn Fillet with Duchess Potatoes or Regal Roast Potatoes with Windsor Castle medley of vegetables and gravy, with St George's Trifle, Prince Harry and Megan's Shortbread or Royal Fruit Salad! Children to choose at registration as usual.

30th June Walk and Cream Tea - Fundraising for 1st Whitchurch Guides.

Come and join us for a beautiful led social walk through the Whitchurch countryside. Starting at 1.30pm at the Nethercott Centre Library and finishing at 3.30pm at a pretty garden in Whitchurch for a delicious Homemade Cream Tea. Tickets £10 in advance. Please contact aimee.bishop@hotmail.co.uk

SportsXtra Clubs

The KS1 MultiSkills after school club is now open online to book for the second half of the summer term, which begins on Thursday 7th June.

Please remember that during May half term SportsXtra will be here at the primary school from Tuesday 29th- Friday 31st May, and also during the summer holidays from Monday 23rd- Friday 27th July and Monday 6th August – Friday 10th August (9.00am-4.00pm). www.sports-xtra.com

Football Taster Sessions – Year 3 and 4 Girls –Join Whitchurch Utd U9/10 team for next season.

Whitchurch Utd Football Club has spaces for current Year 3 and 4 girls to join their Under 9/10 team. Taster sessions on Testbourne Field:

Sunday 13th: Meet at 10.15am for a 10.30am start. Finishes at 11:30am.

Sunday 20th: Start at 9.45am, finishes at 10:45am (pop along earlier if this is your only session).

Drink and shin pads essential. They train weekly on Wednesdays from 6.30-7.30pm and play matches on Saturdays during the season. Established for two years, this is a great opportunity for girls to learn more about football, increase their fitness and play the game locally against other girls' teams. While the Sunday taster sessions are for current Year 3 & 4 girls, they also have places for girls in Year 5 – so please get in touch. Please contact alisonandleigh@btinternet.com for more details and to confirm your attendance.



FOWPS second hand uniform sale - the first Wednesday of every month – 8.45-9.15am

Bag2School – Tuesday 15th May

You should have now received your bag. Please do not bring them to school until 15th May, as we do not have space to store them. Please drop all bags off in the school disabled bay by 9.00am on 15th. Thank you.

Primary Pedal - Sunday 20th May

Primary pedal is back for the fourth year. If you would like to enter the 20, 40 or 60 mile cycle route then please visit the website and sign up. Free cake along the route to give you that extra boost to the finish line. Last year we had over 200 entrants and would love to see you all again this year. Entry is £15 and free for under 16s.

www.primarypedal.org.uk

Ceilidh featuring Belshazzar's Feast - Saturday 26th May

FOWPS in association with the Whitchurch Folk Club will be holding an evening of folk music and traditional dancing featuring Belshazzar's Feast. Tickets are available from FOWPS or from Whitchurch Folk Club

<https://billetto.co.uk/users/whitchurch-folk-club> Tickets are £20 and £18 concession, doors open at 7pm with music starting from 7:30pm at the parish hall. We only have 100 tickets, so grab them while you can!

BINGO NIGHT! Change of night: Friday 8th June in the Sports Hall at Testbourne Secondary School. 7.30pm for eyes down at 8pm. This is a joint fundraiser for both our Primary and Secondary schools and we would love to see as many from the community come as possible. It should be a fun night! Tickets are £10 per person, which includes your book of games for the night, a dabber and free bar snacks. There will be a cash bar and a raffle. For more information or tickets please contact Clare Ashton at cljashton@gmail.com or Jo Clarke at

ptfa@testbourne.hants.sch.uk

Summer fair - Saturday 23rd June, more details to follow.

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Letters This Week

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FOWPS Summer Newsletter

Future School Dates (added or amended this week are in bold)

Tuesday 15 th May	Bag2School
Sunday 20 th May	Primary Pedal
21 st -25 th May	Walk to School Week
Tuesday 22 nd May	Year 5/6 Christopher Edge author visit
Thursday 24 th May	Turtles Class Worship – 9.10-9.30am – all family members welcome
Saturday 26 th May	Ceilidh featuring Belshazzar's Feast
Friday 8 th June	FOWPS/Testbourne PTA Bingo Brian
Wednesday 13 th June	Year 6 trip to the Natural History Museum
Thursday 14 th June	Penguins Class Worship – 9.10-9.30am – all family members welcome
Friday 15 th June	Mufti Day (please bring tombola prize donations for the FOWPS summer fair)
Tuesday 19 th June	Year 1 Visit from Jungle Jonathan
Wednesday 20 th June	Sports Day all day (details to follow)
Thursday 21 st June	Pelicans Class Worship – 9.10-9.30am – all family members welcome
Thursday 21 st June	Year 6 Leavers Service at Winchester Cathedral (children only)
Friday 22 nd June	Year 6 Think Safe event
Saturday 23 rd June	FOWPS Summer Fair
Wednesday 27 th June	Year 2 trip to Marwell Zoo (letter to follow)
Thursday 28 th June	Year 3/4/5 Jennifer Killick author visit
Thursday 28 th June	Year 6 Forest School day at Penwood Forest
Friday 29 th June	Year 6 Forest School day at Penwood Forest
Thursday 5 th July	Year 6 Testbourne Induction Day
*** Monday 16th July	Year R/1/2 Steven Antony author visit (change of date) ***

Wednesday 11th July Year 5/6 Production
Thursday 12th July Year 5/6 Production
Wednesday 18th July Year 6 Leavers BBQ
Thursday 19th July Year 6 Leavers Assembly for parents – 9.10-10.00am
** Monday 23rd July Inset Day (change of date – no longer Monday 4th June) **
Monday 1st October Individual and in-school sibling photographs
Details of term dates for 2017/18 can be found at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schoolholidays>