



**\*\*\* Lost Property – will be on display in the link next week \*\*\***

Anything remaining on Friday will be donated to FOWPS for the second hand uniform sale.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for meeting with the teachers this week for parent consultations. I hope that you found the meetings valuable. Our next parent consultation is in February, which seems a long way off. If in the meantime you need to talk to your child's teacher, please do not hesitate to request an appointment by popping a note to class.

Thank you for all the harvest gifts which you sent in this week. Our short harvest worship was a lovely opportunity to say thank you and remember our school motto of "together we make a difference". Rev Roche reminded us of this in his reflection at the end.

Many of you have signed up for Marvellous Me this week. This is an app where we can let you know a little more about what is happening in school and how well your child is doing. The man who set it up came to school last term to talk to the staff about it. He began because he when he collected his child from school and asked what he had done that day he was given a very vague answer. I am hoping that with a little more information about how well your child is doing, that you too will be able to have better quality conversations about school.

FOWPS are sending out a letter today about a donation scheme which you may like to subscribe to. Having spoken to several parents, they have said that they are not always able to attend fund raising events but they would still like to contribute. If you are in this situation, then this scheme may be right for you. We are very grateful to everyone who contributes to our school whether financially or by volunteering because it is by working together we can get the best for your children.

Next week Year 6 are off on their residential visit to Calshot. This is a great opportunity to learn new skills and develop team- work and resilience, whilst having a lot of fun. Our Year 6 children have settled into their role as "top of the school" really well and they are proving to be excellent role models for the rest of the school. Well done Year 6!

We have increased our PE provision this year and we are pleased with the way the children are taking on new opportunities. It is important that all children have their PE kit in school every day; that is PE t-shirts, shorts and trainers. Children cannot take part in school uniform and shoes!

Have a good weekend

Mrs K Steven  
Head Teacher

**Next week in:**

**Year R** we will be adding music to our story. We are looking forward to our parents joining us in some fun activities.

**Year 1** we are continuing to look at Sidney, Stella and the Moon. We will also write in the style of non-fiction text about the moon. Please can we request some empty jelly or rice pots for an art task. Thank you.

**Year 2** we will be designing and making healthy fruit kebabs.

**Year 3** we will be making soft trousers for Ug!

**Year 4** we are having a DT afternoon on Friday.

**Year 5** we will be writing our biographies of Howard Carter and taking part in BikeAbility. Please note the children must take their bicycles home each day. We are unable to store any overnight.

**Year 6** we will be enjoying ourselves at Calshot!

## IMPORTANT - Year 6

The application page for secondary school applications is now open and will remain open **until 31<sup>st</sup> October**. Please apply on time. If your application is late, it is highly likely you will not get your first choice school.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions>

**Tidy Classroom Award:** Tigers

**Lunchtime Award:** Pelicans, Penguins, Puffins

### Leading Learners

Pelicans	Felix	Jaguars	Eleanor
Penguins	Harriet	Panthers	William
Puffins	Ella	Lions	Tildy
Seahorses	Phoebe	Tigers	Teddy
Turtles	Lewis	Doves	Isaac
Seals	Trudy	Kingfishers	Connor
Dolphins	Molly-May	Eagles	Bo
Leopards	Emily	Kestrels	Aga

### Roll of Honour

- Jaidon of Seahorses for always encouraging his peers.
- Kinny of Dolphins for always setting a good example by being ready, respectful and safe.
- Harry of Seals for thinking of others before himself.
- Noah of Jaguars for his wonderful home-made map of Europe.
- Benjamin of Lions for always showing courage, but especially in our Harvest Service.
- Imogen of Kingfishers for having such a great sense of fun and a lovely smile.
- Kara, Chelsi and Aimee of Lions for contributing to making a beautiful 100<sup>th</sup> birthday card for a local resident.
- Howie of Kestrels for always working hard and being a great role model.

### Achievements

#### Reading

- Belle of Dolphins for being a star reading and completing the reading challenge.

#### Doodle Maths

- Charlie of Kingfishers, Amber and Lily of Dolphins and Bella of Tigers who completed the Doodle Maths Summer Challenge.

Well done to you all!

### Attendance

The best classes last week in **KS1** were Dolphins with 99.31% and in **KS2** were Leopards with 100%.

### House Points



**House Point winners** this week are Discovery, well done children!

### Library News

The library will open on Mondays after school from 29<sup>th</sup> October until 4.00pm.

#### Children's Interactive Storytelling Party - Whitchurch Library

Whitchurch Library will be holding an interactive storytelling party on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 4.30pm. Witches, Wizards and Magical Creatures are all invited for an enchanted evening of interactive storytelling, games and fun. Come dressed up as your favourite magical creature! Advance Booking essential, visit Whitchurch Library or ring 01256 893724 to reserve a place.

## KS2 Snacks at Breaktime

If children are bringing their own fruit/veg from home to eat at breaktime, please can these be put in their school bags, not their lunch boxes. Due to storage, the children have no access to their lunch boxes at breaktime.

## 1st Whitchurch Guides Quiz

Quiz sheets will be for sale after school at the main gate on FRIDAY 19th OCTOBER. £1 each.

Fantastic PRIZES to be won! TWO main meals and a bottle of house wine at the Kings Arms, £25 voucher to enjoy at The Blue Ginger Restaurant, A FREE men's haircut at Dursun Barbers, £5 voucher to treat yourself at Daisy Down or relax with a hot drink and cake for two at the Silk Mill. All proceeds will go towards The Girl Guides first trip abroad. The Quiz is fun for all the family and you can enter as many times as you like. More quiz sheets are available from The Paper Shop in Whitchurch.

## The Wolf Pack Forest School – Pen Hill Wood nr Newbury – Half Term Play Sessions

Monday 22nd & Wednesday 24th October - Drop-and-run 10am to 4pm - £30 per child (including cooked lunch).

Children must be 8 years old or over.

Tuesday 23rd & Thursday 25th October - Parent-stay-and-play 10.30am to 12.30pm - £8 per child. Open to all ages.

Explore the amazing woodland, get creative in the mud kitchen, laze in the hammocks, play on the rope swings or take part in the woodland crafts. Don't forget, there are always s'mores and hot drinks from the campfire.

Drop-and-run sessions will include a pasta-based lunch with meat or veggie options. The sessions go ahead in all weathers except for high winds and lightning. In the event of a session being cancelled customers can expect a full refund. Contact via Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/wolfpackforestschool/> or drop an email at [thewolfpackforestschool@gmail.com](mailto:thewolfpackforestschool@gmail.com) for more details or to book.

## FOWPS News



**FOWPS second hand uniform sale - the first Wednesday of every month – 8.55-9.15am**

A night at the races- Friday 9th Nov doors and bar open at 7.30pm.

Come and join us for a night full of fun as we go to races. Tickets £5 per person, which includes table snacks and your first race bet! All others races during the night just £1 per bet. Ticket sales via [apirby@gmail.com](mailto:apirby@gmail.com) or [cljashton@gmail.com](mailto:cljashton@gmail.com)

Bag2school - 25th November

Bags will be coming home after half term, so if you fancy a clear out during half term it would be great to fill as many bags as we can.

Christmas lights switch on - 6th December

FOWPS have a stall at the Gill Nethercott Centre, selling lots of lovely treats.

Christmas Fair - 15th December

Keep your diary free for a great day and a visit from Father Christmas! More details to follow.

Christmas disco - 19th December

The Year R Disco will take place with their Christmas party during school hours.

KS1 3.30-4.45pm and KS2 5-6pm. Tickets £2 - please send this in a named envelope marked school disco by Monday 17th December. KS2 will be issued with a ticket, KS1 children will be going straight from class after school.

We require volunteers to help on the day - if you are available to help with any of the following please e-mail FOWPS: Set up - 3-3.30pm, KS1 disco - 3.30-4.45pm, KS2 disco 4.45-6pm, Clear up - 6pm.

Tickets will be sold at the top KS1 playground on Friday 14th, Monday 17th and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

If you want to keep up to date with all the latest news you can 'Like' us on Facebook FOWPS Whitchurch, Hampshire or email [FOWPS@whitchurch.hants.sch.uk](mailto:FOWPS@whitchurch.hants.sch.uk)

## Letters this week

Year 6 Calshot Final Arrangements

School Funding Donation Scheme

FOWPS Autumn Newsletter

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

<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Permission forms due back for sibling photos</b>
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Calshot Residential
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Whole School visit to All Hallows Church
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Year 5 visit Hampton Court
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Emma Carroll author visit Years 4, 5 and 6
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Open Day for new parents of children starting school in September 2019 (10.00-11.00am, 1.45-2.45pm or 6.00-7.00pm – no need to book)
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	FOWPS Race Night
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Pelicans Dress Rehearsal to Pre-School Siblings 2.15pm
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Puffins Dress Rehearsal to Pre-School Siblings 2.15pm
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Penguins Dress Rehearsal to Pre-School Siblings 2.15pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Adam and Charlotte Guillain author visit Years 1 and 2
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Pelicans Nativity Performance to Parents 2.15pm
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Puffins Nativity Performance to Parents 2.15pm
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Penguins Nativity Performance to Parents 2.15pm
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 4 Ufton Court Information Evening
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1/2 Nativity Dress Rehearsal to Pre-Schools 2.15pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1/2 Nativity Performance to Parents 2.15pm
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1/2 Nativity Performance to Parents 9.30am
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	FOWPS Christmas Fair
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1/2 Christmas Party 2pm
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3/4 Christmas Party 2pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Year R Christmas Party 1.30pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Discos
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Lunch
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Year 5/6 Christmas Party 1.30pm
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	Inset Day

Details of term dates for 2018/19 can be found at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schoolholidays>

**LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR VACANCIES**

We are seeking people to join our friendly and hard working lunchtime team.

We are looking for calm, caring and enthusiastic people who enjoy working with children to ensure they are happy, healthy and safe during this important part of the day. Duties will include supervising eating, playing with the children and administering minor first aid.

**Hours are Monday to Friday 11.45am to 1.30pm, term time only.**

If you are unable to work 5 days part time positions may also be available.

Please contact Johanne Scotland (01256 892755)

for an application form, or call into the school.

Whitchurch C E Primary School and Hampshire County Council are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We will ensure that all our recruitment and selection practices reflect this commitment. All successful candidates will be subject to Criminal Records Bureau checks along with other relevant employment checks.