



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week in school we have been busy establishing routines and making a start with our first topic of the year. I hope the Curriculum Leaflets which were sent out last week have given you an idea of some of the subjects we will be teaching.

The children have returned to school looking so smart in their uniforms and school shoes. However, we have noticed several boys have extreme haircuts, e.g. tramlines and shaved shapes. These are not part of our Uniform Policy. Although this seems to be the latest style, please can this be saved for the school holidays. Also, please can the girls only wear discreet small hairbands, no large bows. Thank you.

#### KS2 End of Day Collection

Please can all parents collecting children from KS2 not wait on the paths around the rear of the school. Please wait on the playground. Year 2 children have worship in the hall just before home time, are walked from the hall to the playground and are finding this difficult due to parents waiting on the path. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs K Steven  
Head Teacher

#### **Next week in:**

**Year R** we are looking forward to beginning our story 'Where the Wild Things Are'.

**Year 1** we will be continuing with our work on Cave Baby by Julia Donaldson and observing the weather.

Turtles need DBS checked helpers for Forest School sessions on Thursdays from 12.20-2.00pm. If you are able to help please let Miss Fox know. Thank you.

**Year 2** we are looking at how our bodies work.

**Year 3** we will be learning about using historical artefacts to discover more about the Stone Age.

**Year 4** we will be finding out about desert biomes in Geography.

**Year 5** we will be continuing with rounding numbers and starting to learn about Roman numerals in Maths. In English, we will be writing a letter to Ben using our research on coral reefs.

**Year 6** we will be creating our own experiments to prove theories in Science.

**Tidy Classroom Award:** Kestrels

#### **Leading Learners**

Year R Lead Learners will begin next week

Seahorses	Abigail	Lions	Lacey
Turtles	William	Tigers	Olivia
Seals	Kitty	Doves	Heidi
Dolphins	Ethan	Kingfishers	Hana
Leopards	Jacob	Eagles	Ethan
Jaguars	Elsie	Kestrels	Jake
Panthers	Georgina		

### Roll of Honour

- All of the Year R children for their super start to school. We are very proud of them and how they have settled in so quickly.
- Grace for settling in so well into Seahorses class.
- Lilly of Seahorses for always being ready to learn.
- Zara of Seals for always being ready to learn.
- Yelena of Leopards for settling in to her new school so quickly.
- Mai and Honey of Jaguars for being so kind to another pupil in their class.
- Edward and Cristian of Tigers and Lions for picking up the school routine so quickly and making many new friends.
- Ruby for settling in beautifully to Kestrels class.

### Attendance

The best classes last week in **KS1** were Turtles with 99.44% and in **KS2** were Lions, Jaguars, Kestrels, Panthers and Leopards all with 100%.



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

### FOWPS Sunflower Competition Winners

Well done to Sophie and Joshua for growing a huge 3.2m sunflower!

Also well done to Mayson (KS1) and Georgie (KS2) for winning the picture of a sunflower competition (as judged by Mrs Dunwell).

They have all received their prizes in Friday celebration worship.

### Reading Challenge

We haven't started to count the children's reads yet, but will start doing this now (of course all reads from this term will be included).

### NSPCC Cake Sale

Thank you to the Year 6 children who organised the cake sale and all of the children who bought a cake. You raised nearly £100 for the NSPCC.

### KS2 Brass or Woodwind Tuition

There are a few places available for children in KS2 who wish to start brass or woodwind lessons. The termly fees are currently £85 for a group lesson or £125 for an individual lesson (you will need to commit to pay for the whole year, as we buy the time from Hampshire Music Service up front). If your child is interested in joining up, or trying a lesson before you decide, please email [adminoffice@whitchurch.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@whitchurch.hants.sch.uk) for the attention of Mrs Spencer, Music Manager. Your KS2 child may have already told you about the fun demonstration in worship from Miss Schwartz from Hampshire Music Service.

### Rotary Shoeboxes

Information has been sent home regarding the Rotary 'Shoe Box Scheme'. This is a scheme our new school council for 2018/19 are organising throughout the school over the next two weeks. We have asked that children either pair up with a friend, a group of friends or as a class – this will be dependent on the level of interest and help of you as parents, to help. We appreciate the time and expense and so leave it entirely up to you, if and how you might wish to contribute. We are very grateful for your help in this worthwhile cause to help disadvantaged children in Albania, Montenegro, Moldova and Romania. More information, should you wish to have more can be found on their website: [www.rotary1110.org.uk](http://www.rotary1110.org.uk)

Please note that the last day for collection of the boxes will be Friday 28th September.

Thank you once again for your co-operation.

Whitchurch School Council and Mrs Brenton

## SCOPay Update

Years 1-6: If you are unable to log in to SCOPay via the school website for your account, please contact the office at [replies@whitchurch.hants.sch.uk](mailto:replies@whitchurch.hants.sch.uk)

Via SCOPay you are able to pay for school lunches (Years 3-6) and for trips and events (all year groups). You are also now able to tick a box to give permissions for trips and events, meaning you will no longer need to send in the signed permission form attached to the letters (unless we need more specific information, eg. for residential trips).

Update: thank you to all who are paying for trips/events online, but you **MUST** tick all of the consent boxes, otherwise we still need to chase you to complete a form. We cannot just take it that because you have paid that you are giving consent. Please go back in to SCOPay to ensure you have ticked the boxes. Thank you.

**Year R parents:** you will receive your login letters in due course. Also, look out for ParentMail registration emails, which hopefully we will be able to send later next week.

## All Hallows Concert in aid of the Organ Fund

This will take place at 7pm on September 15th in All Hallows. Tickets £7 for adults, £3 for under 16s and £17 for a family of four. For further details please contact Robert Simpson [trebormint69@yahoo.com](mailto:trebormint69@yahoo.com) (01264 350702) or Hilary Gould [hmgould@sky.com](mailto:hmgould@sky.com) (01256 893851)

## All Hallows Harvest Festival Service

You are warmly invited to All Hallows Church Harvest Festival Service at 10am on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, followed by a free BBQ. Donations will support the Andover Food Bank.

## TerraCycle® Recycling Box

The recycling box is back in the reception lobby at school. We are able to collect McVities biscuit wrappers, plastic triggers from home cleaning products or hair products (not the bottles), air freshener cartridges (not the glass bottles), Ella's Kitchen baby food pouches, any pens, felt tips, highlighters, markers, tape, correction fluid pots and Garnier personal care and beauty packaging.

If you would like more information, please email [radka.wigmore@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:radka.wigmore@yahoo.co.uk)

Radka's collection boxes are situated here at school, at Rising Fives Pre-School and at 16 Queens Road, Whitchurch. Since 2015, £370 has been raised for Whitchurch CofE Primary, £70 for MacMillan Cancer Support and £100 for Rising Fives. Thank you for your support.

## FOWPS News



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

Sunflower competition

Congratulations to our winners:

Sarah and Josh Kenny for the tallest sunflower at 3.2metres

Mayson Josey for the best picture in KS1 and Georgie Brown in KS2

Year R parents coffee morning - 19th September

FOWPS would like to invite all Year R parents for a coffee morning at 9.05am in the school hall (once Simply Out of School have finished Breakfast Club) to meet other parents and have a chat.

FOWPS AGM - 24th September

FOWPS are holding their AGM at 7pm in the school hall. If you would like to join the committee to organise or to just help at our fun events, or would like to know how much has been raised over the last year and where the funds have been spent, then please do come along. FOWPS raise much-needed funds for the school, to benefit your children.

[FOWPS@whitchurch.hants.sch.uk](mailto:FOWPS@whitchurch.hants.sch.uk) Facebook: FOWPS, Whitchurch, Hampshire

## Letters home this week (copies available on the website)

Years 1-6 Privacy Notice Update (to incorporate MyMaths)

Years 1-6 MyMaths Parent Information

Year 3 Experience the Iron Age

Important Letter regarding Measles, Chicken Pox and Shingles – Child receiving medical treatment

KS2 Music Tuition Letters (for those who signed up last year)

Year 6 Calshot Meeting for Parents and Medical Form/Kit List

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

Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Calshot Meeting for Year 6 parents (6pm)
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Year R Parents Reading Evening (hall) 3.45pm and 7.00pm</b>
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	Inset Day
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	FOWPS AGM 7.00pm in the hall (everyone welcome)
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	Individual and in-school sibling photographs
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	<b>Year 3 visit from Iron Age Matt</b>
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Iron Age Day for Year 3
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Teacher Consultations
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Harvest Festival</b>
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Teacher Consultations
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
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)
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Year 4 Ufton Court Information Evening</b>
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.