



14th July, 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,



This week the School Council have been reviewing the playground equipment. We have been choosing how to spend our Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers to improve sports lessons and play times. There will be even more exciting, brand new equipment ready to use in September! We also reviewed the Sport of the Week and agreed that it was working really well, but also came up with some different suggestions for sports in KS1 and KS2.

Some members of the School Council also discussed which Christian values we should include in our collective worship next year. We talked about which values were our favourite from this year (joy and inspiration were popular) and which we might include next year.

Finally, the School Council were excited to be invited to a special 'thank you' picnic next week just for them. This was to congratulate them on all their hard work feeding back the ideas of their class and helping with the constant improvement of our school.

Let's get
COOKing

Mrs Greig and Mrs Carr-Roberts have been leading this Golden Time club with great success, sharing their duties from week to week. It's always very popular with children across the school. With Mrs Greig increasing her hours in school, she is no longer able to commit to this club for September. If you are a parent and are keen to lead the cooking with our children, please contact the school office.



Attendance Update

Currently our whole school attendance stands just below our school target of 97%.

Reducing absence from school is a priority nationally and locally because missing school impacts a pupil's achievement and attainment levels. In Hampshire, school attendance is among the highest in the country and this is due to a steady decrease in the number of children missing school reported as illness or an unauthorised holiday. Thankfully, our attendance is above national levels as TMS parents avoid unnecessary school absences. Locally however, we could do better. We are used to dealing with minor ailments so if you are ever unsure if your child is well enough to attend school, we can make an appropriate judgement and contact you if your child needs to be taken home. Early morning aches often pass so we advise parents not to keep their child at home 'just in case' when they could be learning in class and having fun with their peers.

We also ask parents to avoid taking their children out of school during term time for holidays, family gatherings or other special occasions. We believe that occasions like these can take place over our school holidays or at the weekend.

At the end of term, we will be celebrating excellent attendance by awarding certificates to those children who have achieved our school target of 97% or above, and those who have achieved 100% attendance which we believe is exceptional. Research shows that setting good patterns of attendance from the start of school life really does impact positively on your child's attitude to learning and their educational success. Pupils with higher levels of attendance are more likely to benefit from education, achieve better results both at primary and secondary school and go on to have more successful careers.

Lunch time Art Club



Unicorns by Rosie R

Lunchtime art club is led by Mrs Cohen.



Biscuit by Broden B

'Twyford Technology Terrors' Triumph at IBM!

Last Friday, Mrs Newell accompanied five of our Year 6 children to IBM Hursley to take part in an Enabling Enterprise event, focussing on solving problems for different businesses. The team had to research, then design a new app to help the employees at IBM to communicate. They then had to present their ideas at a 'Technology Exhibition' to a panel of seven judges from IBM. The children remained cool under pressure and were announced as the overall winners! The team were also awarded the Aiming High award, as they were always trying their very best. Congratulations to the team - Eddie Barker, Matilda Parry, Phoebe Pryde, Ben Stokes and Lizzie Williams.

If you click [here](#) you will be able to read the official write up of the event on the Enabling Enterprise website.



Friends for Life Programme 2017

This term our Year 5 children have been following the Friends for Life programme led by Ms Holman and Mrs Newell. The programme aims to reduce worries, develop confidence, offer coping skills and resilience as well as encouraging peer learning and the development of positive relationships. All the children worked hard each week, participating in activities and getting as much out of the programme as possible. Well done Year 5s!





Payment to the School Office

This is a polite reminder to any families that have outstanding balances to settle; particularly for residential school trips and dinner monies. These differ from our voluntary contributions for school events, visits and trips, as the school do not make a financial commitment to these. Letters have gone out this week reminding families that these payments are due.

Warm Welcomes

Over recent weeks the Year R team have been busy with transition for our new Year Rs. This week there was excitement on the Key Stage 1 playground as they joined us for their Teddy Bears' Picnic.



Dinner Money – Year 2 children

A reminder that as your child moves into Year 3 they will no longer be eligible for universal school meals. This means if your child has a school dinner there needs to be sufficient credit on your dinner account to pay for the meal. School dinners are priced at £2.15.

We urge parents to use our online payment system, which allows for greater visibility of balances and dinners. An online set up code is available via the school office.

Uniform Reminder

Before parents begin to renew and replace school uniform ready for September, I would like to remind parents of our expectations:

- Red polo shirt
- Dark green school sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo affixed
- Girls should wear knee length grey skirt, pinafore dress, trousers or red check dress
- Boys should wear grey trousers or shorts
- All shoes need to be flat and suitable for use on the field or playground. Trainers, pumps, canvas shoes or fashion wear are not acceptable for school.
- Boys should wear grey socks and girls should wear red, white or grey coloured tights/socks



Star of the Week

Ash	Betty	For helping Mrs Curds to evaluate an handwriting programme and solve it.
Beech	Ruby	For being an Incy Independent and using the purple polishing pen to improve her writing. Well done!
Oak	Pippa	For her fantastic attitude towards her learning and for being an excellent role model.
Sycamore	Elliot	For his excellent storyboard showing how Roger Rock became Simon Soil.
Willow	Oscar	For his fantastic adaption of the Mayan Creation Story into a playscript.
Yew	Matilda	For super use of our 'explore' and 'organise' learning keys in our science investigation into 'rocket mice'.



Roll of Honour

Ash	Tamsin	For being an Incy Independent when ordering and explaining the story of wool.
	Samual	For being a Curious Cat with capacity and solving a tricky problem.
Beech	Lexie	For being a Persevering Pig when writing her information page on King Alfred. Well done Lexie!
	Kiera	For super Incy Independent work solving money problems. Well done Kiera!
Oak	Sam	For demonstrating out perseverance learning key in maths.

	Zara	For always showing care for her classmates at playtime and during lessons.
Sycamore	Sophie T	For persevering well to solve two step and multi-step problems.
	Florence	For always showing her readiness to learn and for persevering well when solving multiplication and division problems.
Willow	Emma Walsh	For an excellent work ethic when devising her Mayan play script.
	Ollie	For his great teamwork skills and his patience when working with others.
Yew	Dylan	For the improvement in his reading comprehension – well done for thinking carefully about the writer’s choice of language.
	Sophie	Super use of our learning keys: ‘explore’ and ‘organise’ when using what we know about triangles to investigate trees.

Dates for your diary

Summer Term	
19th July	Listen 2 Me Mini Concert for Sycamore and Willow Parents – 2.30pm
20th July	Beech and Oak Castle Banquet Parent Event
21st July	Final Yew Class Tennis session
25th July	Year 6 Leavers’ Service – 9.30 – 10.30am
25th July	Last Day of Term!

Autumn Term	
4th September	First day of the Autumn Term
4th – 8th September	Year 6 Calshot Residential
2nd October	INSET Day
16th – 20th October	Diversity Week
23rd – 27th October	HALF TERM
13th – 17th November	Health and Wellbeing Week
4th December	INSET Day

Warm Wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "H Beckett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Mrs Hannah Beckett
Headteacher