

Honesty **Respect** **Responsibility** *Kindness*



## Hello

We were very proud of how confidently the children sang and spoke during our Harvest Festival on Wednesday. It was fantastic to have such an enthusiastic and supportive audience.

Huge thanks too for your very generous donations at our Harvest Festival. We collected **9 large boxes of food and over £100 in cash for the Waterside Foodbank**... amazing!

## Families in school



It has been so lovely to have parents and families in school this week, celebrating children's learning.

Thank you so much for your support. We are looking forward to regular visits from families once again becoming a "normal" part of school life.



## Gardening in Key Stage 1

Our Key Stage 1 children have loved their gardening at Patrick's Patch this month. We are so grateful for Rachel and her lovely team of volunteers who create fabulous opportunities for the children which really enrich our curriculum.



## Sailing Assembly

We are equally grateful for our wonderful sailing club. Children are able to learn to sail at Salterns in Lymington after school on Tuesdays, thanks to parents and members of Beaulieu River Sailing Club who generously volunteer their time.

On **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November** we will be holding a special assembly to celebrate our young sailors and to say thank you to the wonderful volunteers who enable this highly successful club to keep going. The assembly will be held in the village hall and will start at **2.30 pm**.

Please feel welcome to join us, especially if you may be interested in joining the club in the future.



## Fabulous Year 4



Our Year 4 children have been greatly enjoying making sculptures, inspired by Leonardo da Vinci. Miss Bennison was so impressed by the thought the children put into their sculpture and by how sensitively they critiqued each other's work



## Change in the cost of School Meals

As you may imagine, in the current economic climate, HC3S (Hampshire caterers) is experiencing significant increased costs around food and pay, with food prices expected to escalate further. They have therefore decided, with regret, to increase their prices after half term.

**The cost of a school meal will become £2.80 with effect from Monday 31 October 2022.**

These are extremely challenging times for everyone. Families who are struggling may wish to visit the HC3S website where there is an eligibility tracker to work out whether they may be entitled to free school meals.

Of course children in Key Stage 1 are entitled to free meals anyway, but eligibility means that your child can receive extra financial support e.g. for clubs, trips etc.

# Fantastic Footballers



Mrs Buckmaster and Mrs Hinton were very proud of our Year 5 and 6 footballers who competed at Priestlands last week.

Well done to Riley and Felix who were both awarded wrist bands for respect. And another well done to Felix for scoring 2 goals right at the end!

**Elliot - Year 5** There is 1 word, teamwork.

**Zach - Year 6** Even though it's hard it's not impossible.

**Esme - Year 6** It's been amazing and we won the last game. We had a group hug.

**Quinn - Year 6** It's fantastic to see all other teams and respect each other.

# Parent/Teacher Meetings



Thank you to parents who met virtually with teachers this month – the teachers really enjoyed talking to you.

Apologies to families whose meetings were affected by technical challenges and many thanks for your patience.

There are, of course, advantages and disadvantages to meeting virtually. We know it works really well for many working families whilst some families much prefer to speak to their child's teacher in person, which we understand.

I will be reflecting with staff and also seeking feedback from you before deciding how to organise our parent/teacher meetings in the spring term.



## Parent/Headteacher meeting

Thank you to the parents who met with me recently. We talked about:

- Ways both school and families can help keep our children safe online
- Our new letter formation and our "push" to improve children's writing
- How the school is approaching the need to improve attendance and punctuality in order to improve learning

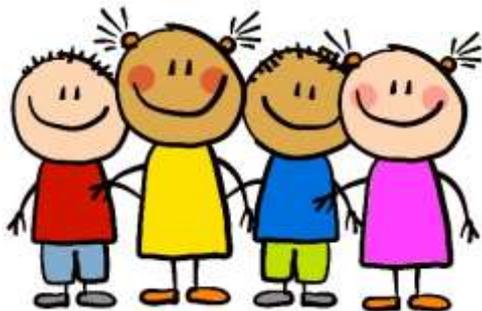
# Dramatic Drumming



Our oldest children (Oak Class) shared what they had been learning in their music lessons by performing for our youngest children (Willow Class).

**Isabelle – Year R** I love the big children – they're so clever.

**Lenny – Year R** It was noisy, but fun!



# Headteacher Stickers

**Lucas – Year R** For his constant creativity

**Bhodi – Year R** For working so hard to form his letters  
**Harper – Year 1** For fabulous writing  
**Freddie H – Year 1** For excellent progress with reading  
**Preston – Year 1** For being so grown up and sensible when a game went wrong  
**Bella and Lucy – Year 3** For beautiful art work  
**Oscar – Year 3** For superb tag rugby skills  
**George and Luca – Year 3** For superb, independent work in design technology  
**Rebecca – Year 4 and Stephanie – Year 3** For demonstrating our school value of honesty at Sailing Club (Parent Recommendation)  
**Thomas, Lorne and Albie – Year 3** For demonstrating great courage in delivering a very impressive presentation about dinosaurs in Pupil Assembly, despite being nervous  
**Tilly – Year 3 and Bethany – Year 5** For an excellent and interesting presentation in Pupil Assembly about dance  
**Bethany (2!), Ruby and William – Year 5** For powerful writing  
**Felix – Year 6** For thoughtful writing  
**Poppy – Year 6** For collaborating so effectively with others in her clay work  
**Zach – Year 6** For serious improvement in handwriting  
**Felix – Year 6 (2!)** For outstanding effort in history in his own time  
**Riley – Year 6** For impressively clear explanation and presentation in maths  
**Aurora – Year 5 and Indy and Kian – Year 6** For excellent mathematical problem solving  
**Freddie, Indy (2!), Zach (2!), Daisy and Esme – Year 6** For leadership and courage

Wishing you and your family a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,



Katherine Jones

**Headteacher**



# Diary Dates

Please keep these dates for your diary.

New dates will appear in red

Day/Time	Event	Notes
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Celebration Assembly	2.30 in the Village Hall Involving children in years 1–6 Families welcome
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Sailing Assembly	2.30 in the village hall To celebrate our young sailors All welcome
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Celebration Assembly	2.30 in the Village Hall Involving children in years 1–6 Families welcome
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Celebration Assembly	2.30 in the Village Hall Involving children in years 1 – 6 Families welcome
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle Services in the Abbey Church 10.00 am (dress rehearsal) and 6.00 pm	All children involved, all families welcome – further details to follow.
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	INSET day	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Return to school	
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	HALF TERM	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening	For parents/carers of children in all year groups – details to follow
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Parents' Evening	For parents/carers not attending on the 15 <sup>th</sup> March
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Break up for Easter	
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Return to school	
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	HALF TERM	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET day	

Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day	Whole school picnic followed by traditional races – families welcome. Details to follow
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Sports Day Reserve	In case it rains on the 20 <sup>th</sup> !
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Break up for the summer holiday	

# Young Artisans Art Club

Booking now open!

Saturdays 10am - 12pm

Ages 6 to 11

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Saturday 5th Nov 2022



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