



Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

We have had several visitors in school this week. They have all been impressed with how polite and courteous the children are. They enjoyed talking to the children about their learning and finding out **what** they are learning and **why** they are learning it. Our children shared their learning beautifully and with enthusiasm. Well done Oliver's Battery!

Football!

The girls and boys team both played at Kings Worthy Primary School this week. They played with passion and determination. Our girls football team played against Weeke Primary School on Thursday where they were triumphant and won 2-1 – well done girls.



Eco Ambassadors



The schools Eco Ambassadors met this week for their first meeting of the new school year. They have decided to run a **'Halloween Costume Swap'** to promote their re-cycling project.

Please bring any unwanted costumes and accessories to the school office by Monday 21 October and children will have the opportunity to select a 'new' costume 21 – 25 October. Please see the posters around school.

They are working towards gaining their Green Flag and are planning their next project which will be litter. The school has recently purchased some environmental friendly refuse sacks made from 90-100% recycled materials, which also supports our re-cycling project.

Winchester Village Community Litter Pick Winchester Village are hosting a litter pick on Sunday 10th Nov at 2pm, meeting in The Green. Litter pickers and high-vis vests will be provided. If you would like to support this initiative, please sign up here... <https://forms.gle/Tmg4NnesiYGeXoX97>





Celebration Assembly

It was fabulous to celebrate children who have been recognised for being great role models this week in our Celebration Assembly.

Hedgehogs	Xander L for sitting nicely on the carpet, showing great listening and being ready to learn. Ebi PH for keeping himself and his friends safe while on our walk by telling an adult there were mushrooms that we must not touch.
Squirrels	Wren for always being ready to help her friends in a respectful way. Reuben for thinking about how to be safe when playing the floor is lava.
Ladybirds	Diamond and Herbie – always showing great resilience towards their work, eager to learn and listening carefully.
Bumblebees	Ezmai B for being ready to explain her learning which helps everyone to understand. Darcie for being ready to learn which helps her be the best she can be.
Hares	Harlan – has shown empathy, kindness and consideration to all this week. Lola has been ready to learn throughout the week showing fantastic organisation skills.
Foxes	Matilda and Jack – for showing respect to our St Swithun's students who are teaching us Lacrosse and also continued respect for the adults and other children in school.
Hérons	Archie H – Archie has been working really hard to show readiness for learning and he has done a brilliant job of staying throughout the whole week. Darlene D – Darlene is always ready to learn and she has such a positive approach to her learning. She is also showing such resilience when faced with new challenges.
Kingfishers	Polly R – Polly has worked so resiliently to create an explanation text that is written fully in her own words that is both informative and interesting. David B – for his cheery disposition and positive attitude towards his learning and classmates – he is a pleasure to have around, inside and outside of the classroom.

Top Table



The children chosen for the top table this week:

This week a friendship group from Herons was chosen:

Amelia S, Nina R, Pria B, Keira F, Bella G, Ella D, Pearl MG and Esher D.

Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor – please contact the school office for more information.





Absence

Regular school attendance brings enormous benefits to individual pupils, their families, schools and the community as a whole. Without regular attendance, levels of attainment suffer and opportunities are missed to obtain maximum benefit from education.

Persistent absence and lateness will affect a child's achievement and progress in school. Comprehensive research shows that there is a direct link between a child's level of school attendance and their level of school attainment.

As a parent it is your legal responsibility to ensure your child receives a suitable full-time education. It is your responsibility that your child attends school each day and is on time.

Children with attendance less than 96% are identified as a concern if absences are unauthorised.

Request for Authorised Absence

Please note that holidays in term time will not usually be authorised. If you need to take your child out during term time you will need to complete a 'Request to authorise absence form' available from the school office. Please note that we are required by HCC to fine parents who take their children out of school during term time.

Parents Evenings

A reminder that Parents Evening are taking place the last week of half term.

There has been a slight change to the days. They are now on **Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd October** for Years 1 – 6 and **Tuesday 22 and Thursday 24 October** for Year R.

The sign-up sheets for the Parents evenings will be available in the school hall and the beginning and end of the school day from **Tuesday 8 October**. If you are not able to get into school to make an appointment please telephone the school office and a member of the admin team will be happy to book it for you.

Flu Vaccination Programme

The school nursing team will be in school on **Wednesday 6 November** carry out the Flu Vaccination Programme.

An email went out last week with details of how to register your child for the vaccine. Please note: registration is all done online not via the school.





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Football Camp

Active Thru Football will be running a 'spooktacular' football camp here at Oliver's Battery during half term – 29, 30 and 32 October -9am – 3pm for ages 5-11. The cost is £20 per day or £50 for all three days. To book go to: bookwhen.com/mattwellsfootballcoaching or phone 07801790066 or email: Active_thru_football@hotmail.com.

Yours faithfully

Miss Vittle
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

New events in Blue

Deadline for Christmas Artwork

Parents Evenings – Year R - 6

Parents Evenings – Years 1 -6

Parents evening – Year R

Flu Vaccinations

School Disco

Adult Quiz Night 7pm

Nativity (Nursery and Year R)

Rock Steady Concert

Christmas Lunch/Christmas Jumper/

Carols on the Decking

School breaks up for Christmas

Inset Day

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18 October 2024

Tuesday 22 October 2024

Wednesday 23 October

Thursday 24 October 2024

6 November 2024

7 November 2024

8 November 2024

10 December 2024

16 December 2024

18 December 2024

20 December 2024

31 January 2025

27 June 2025

30 June 2025



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