



Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to be able to tell you that the building works will be starting in October half term.

The school is getting a new roof, new windows, ceilings, and floors, doors, new heating and cooling system and lots more.

The work will take 47 weeks to complete and will be undertaken in phases.

Phase 1 – Key Stage 2

Phase 2 – Key Stage 1 and Early Years

Phase 3 - Offices, hall and kitchen

Whilst there will be some disruption, my main priority is ensuring the safety of the children and securing their education. I will be working closely with the contractors and will let you know through newsletters and parentmail of progress.

This is an amazing opportunity for the school and will secure the best learning environment for your children.

I would like to pass on my thanks to Sarah McDowell for all the work that she has done for the school as she is stepping down as FOBS Chairperson. She has chaired FOBS for four years and during that time the fairs and social events have gone from strength to strength including the event of the year Firework Night. Thank you Sarah!

### **Inset Day**

A reminder that next Friday, 22 September is an Inset Day when the school will be closed to pupils for staff training.

### **Shop Closure**

The school uniform shop will be closed tomorrow, Saturday 16 September due to an event taking place in Romsey.

### **FOBS:**

With the new school year in full swing FOBS are underway in planning all the wonderful events for this coming year. They will be meeting at 7pm Tuesday 19 September to discuss these events and welcome anyone who would like to be involved in any way.

FOBS will also be holding their AGM on Tuesday 17 October also at 7pm.

It has been a very hard decision by our current chair person, Sarah McDowall, that due to her other commitments she has to step down as Chair. Sarah has been involved with FOBS for 8 years now with 4 of those being chair person. Sarah had agreed that she will remain on the committee as vice chair for this year to work along side and support the new chair person. If you are interested in the role of chair or being involved in the committee then please do come along to the meeting for a chat or contact Sarah via email on: [friendsofoliversbattery@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofoliversbattery@gmail.com)

Nomination papers for the AGM will be sent home in the children's bookbags next week.

## FOBS Events

Please find listed below a list of the up and coming events which are being organised by FOBS (Friends of Oliver's Battery School) who are a group of parents and carers who raise valuable funds for the school. If you are a new parent (or existing) and would like to join please contact the school office who will point you in the right direction. Volunteers are always needed at events if you are not able to join the committee.

Dates for your Diary:

Friday 3 November	Halloween Disco
Saturday 11 November	Fireworks
Tuesday 12 December	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 30 January 2018	Cinema
Friday 9 March 2018	Mothers' Day Shop in school
Tuesday 27 March	Easter Egg Hunt
May (date to be confirmed)	Quiz Night
Friday 15 June	Fathers' Day Shop in school
Saturday 23 June	Summer Fayre

More details will follow for each event nearer the date.

## National Fitness Day

On Wednesday 27 September Oliver's Battery Primary School will be taking part in the National Fitness Day. The aim of the day is to get 10,000 schools moving for ten minutes at 10am.

Mrs Marshall will lead the school, including the teachers in aerobic activities out on the playground accompanied by some very loud funky music!

We would like to repeat the activity, with children and parents together, at the end of the day and so invite all parents to join us on the lower playground at 3.10pm on Wednesday 27 September.

We look forward to seeing you.



## Bikeability – Year 6

We had a very interesting first session where we found out about the Highway Code and learnt many of the signs that are used on the road. We found out that a circle is an order, the triangle is a warning and that an upside down triangle means 'give way' – we were very interested to find out that this sign is universal, whatever the language.



We then went on to check our clothing for suitability and learnt to put on our helmets correctly. After that, we were taught how to check our bikes from the front to the back. We had to make sure that our bikes were safe and functioning correctly, especially the brakes!

We are looking forward to our next session.

Jacob and Mauro (Year 6)

### School Crossing Patrol

Hampshire County Council are currently advertising for a School Crossing Patrol on the Badger Farm Road. It is for ten hours per week and the job can be found at [www.newjob.co.uk](http://www.newjob.co.uk) and search for Crossing Patrol.

### Kings' School Open Evening/Days

Kings' School will be holding an open evening on **Wednesday 20 September – 6.30 – 8.30pm**. This will give you a chance to look round and talk to some of the staff before deciding on your chosen secondary school for your child. They are also holding three open days on **Thursday 21 September, Friday 22 September and Tuesday 10 October – 9.30 – 11.30am**. No appointment necessary.

### Rucksacks

A request, please not to send your child into school with large rucksacks. They have their PE kit in school each day so should not need large bags with them. Space is very limited within the school. Thank you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



Miss F Wood  
Headteacher

Dates for your diary (new dates in red)

Year 6 Calshot Meeting – 3.30pm	18 September
Inset Day	22 September
FOBS Family Fun Picnic	29 September
Conservation Group 10 – 1pm	1 October
Year 6 Residential Trip to Calshot	9 – 11 October
Matthew Leeming visiting Year 6 parents – 5pm	19 October
Halloween Disco	3 November
Fireworks	11 November
Christmas Fair	12 December
Inset Day	26 January 2018
Cinema	30 January 2018
Mothers' Day Shop	9 March 2018
Inset Day	16 March 2018
Easter Egg Hunt	27 March 2018
Fathers' Day Shop	15 June 2018
Summer Fayre	23 June 2018
Inset Day	6 July 2018
Inset Day	9 July 2018