



Dear Parents and Carers

Congratulations to our elected House Captains; Sam V Maple House, Sophie M Oak House, Jack T Birch House and Jacob B Rowan House. The competition was very stiff and all of the candidates presented themselves well and spoke with eloquence and passion. I would like to thank the candidates who did not get elected for being good team players and supporting the outcome of the vote.

Sam is really keen to encourage all the children in the house to do their very best. Sophie is very pleased to be house captain and is looking forward to encouraging everyone to get involved. Jack knows that Birch House are going to have a great year and he is pleased to be leading the house. Jacob is really keen to bring his house together and work across all areas as a strong team. Great attitudes!

On Thursday we had a visit from Wonky the Woodpecker who runs Wonky Parks in Winchester. It was great to hear about all the play areas that we can use and I know that the children will be out and about finding the clues that Wonky has placed in play areas around the city. Happy hunting everyone!!

Thank you to those parents who helped us celebrate National Fitness Day by joining in with all of the children and staff on the playground led by Mrs Marshall. We are really proud of the fitness and sporting opportunities that the school offers and I would like to thank Mrs Marshall for her endless enthusiasm.

In assembly we have been revisiting our School Charter and Learning Behaviours, the children are visualising what they would be doing, saying for each of the aspects of the School Charter – when we have looked at all the aspects we will share our thoughts with you.

### **Change of Menu**

There will be a change of Menu next week on Thursday 5 and Friday 6 October. As **Thursday** is censes day it would be helpful to the school if as many children as possible **could have a school lunch that day**. The menu for Thursday will be Fish and chips or Vegetarian Sausage Puff and the menu for Friday will be supporting the British Food Week and will be British Hampshire Beef Patti or Vegetarian Ringwood Meatballs followed by Jelly and Shortbread.

### **Clubs**

There are still places available in **Curious Creatures** and **Theatre Busters Clubs**. These take part on Wednesday after school (Curious Creatures) and Thursday (Theatre Busters). If your child would like to take part please pick up a form from the office.



Oliver's Battery primary school enjoys diverse and extensive school grounds which includes ponds, a wildflower meadow, and woodlands giving the children a variety of experiences outside the classroom. Your children may have already told you of the exciting lessons they have had outside or of the wildlife they have seen.

During the Autumn term I will be running a series of work-party sessions to enhance these areas.

**New faces are really welcome, even if you can only spare an hour, it can make a big difference.**

The next meeting will be: this Sunday 1 October from 10.00am – 1.00pm.

You don't need to be experienced or really strong, just enthusiastic and bring along any tools you might have like shears, loppers, secateurs or a rake. I will bring a cake!

Children are more than welcome, but would of course be your responsibility. I have access to the school toilets.

My aim this week is to:

- remove the "bonfire" from the wildflower meadow
- tidy the flower beds by the bike shed
- tidy the poly tunnel
- open access to the lookout point

Come and find me at the far end of the school grounds (overlooking the Cathedral). I look forward to seeing you on Sunday.

Kind regards, Maggie Shelton



### **Nits**

Please could you regularly check your child's head for Headlice. There are leaflets in the office if you require any further information.

### **Christmas Cards**

The children have been working on Christmas Cards with FOBS. Please could they be returned by **Monday 2 October**.

### **School Photographer**

The school photographer will be visiting the school on Thursday 9 November to take portrait photos of the children.

### **Squirrels Class request**

Squirrels class would like donations of spare socks (small) to keep in the classroom for use by the children.

### **National Fitness Day**

On Wednesday over 150 pupils joined 10,000 other schools in participating in ten minutes of fitness fun at 10am for National Fitness Day.

The children and staff followed Mrs Marshall's lead in taking part in aerobic exercises in the Playground to Reach For The Stairs, Jump and Cha Cha Slide!



The children joined in enthusiastically, laughing and smiling as they exercised! It was an amazing sight.

### **Message from Supercamps**

Multi Activity Camps for Ages 4-12 at The Westgate School  
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Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



Miss F Wood  
Headteacher

Dates for your diary (new dates in red)

Conservation Group 10 -1pm	1 October
Year 6 Residential Trip to Calshot	9 – 11 October
Matthew Leeming visiting Year 6 parents – 5pm	19 October
Parents Outdoor Maths Session with children 9am	20 October
Halloween Disco	3 November
School Photographer (Portraits)	9 November
Fireworks	11 November
Christmas Fair	12 December
Inset Day	26 January 2018
Cinema	30 January 2018
KS2 SAT's Information Evening – 7pm	7 February 2018
KS1 SAT's Information Evening – 7pm	8 February 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