

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

This week has been full of fun, creativity, and community spirit across the school!

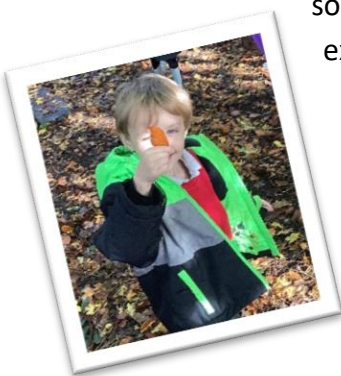


We held our first ever Pumpkin Trail, and it was wonderful to see so many children and families joining in. The trail was filled with fabulous pumpkins - each one unique and full of imagination. The children loved walking the trail and admiring the different designs. We definitely have some budding artists amongst us!



Taking part in events like this helps us all feel that we belong - something we explored together in assembly this week.

In Year 3 Hares had a brilliant Stone Age Day, dressing up and diving into prehistoric life. They made Stone Age-style pots and even crafted their own soap tools. It was a fantastic hands-on learning experience that brought history to life!



In Year R Squirrels have had a busy week learning about Autumn. They went on a leaf hunt, explored the beautiful colours of the season and made autumn crowns. One of the highlights was jumping into a huge pile of leaves that Mr King created with his leaf blower — the Squirrels couldn't hide their delight!










To top it all off, today's Bike Bus was a Halloween-themed spectacle! Thirty five children arrived in spooky and creative costumes, pedalling their way to school with many smiles and much excitement. What a brilliant way to start the day!



Headteacher: Miss Sarah Vittle B.Ed (Hons)

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





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| Date | Friday 24 October 2025 |
|  Squirrels | <p>Eliza for bringing joy to Squirrels class. You approach everything with enthusiasm and a smile.</p> <p>Xander for trying really hard with your new reading book. We are really proud at how well you are reading.</p> <p>Orla for always making good choices and being a ready, respectful and safe member of our class.</p> <p>Gregory for being brave trying new foods at lunch</p> |
|  Ladybirds | <p>Ilana, Orla, Freddie and Margaret - They have all shown great resilience in maths this week. They have found all the ways to make 10 and recorded this in a systematic way.</p> <p>Michaëlle and Stanley for listening carefully in gymnastics and creating a fantastic sequence using 4 different actions.</p> |
|  Bumblebees | <p>Vincent has been smashing it in maths this week! He's always ready to jump in and has shown such a great can-do attitude—well done, Vincent!</p> <p>Piper has been a total resilience superstar! Whatever challenges came her way, she faced them with a smile and pushed through—go Piper!</p> |
|  Hares | <p>Lily is a great example to all about how to follow the school rules. Lily is always quick to be ready, works hard on every task she is given and is willing to help others.</p> <p>Oscar has shown resilience this week during the planning and presenting stages of our non-chronological reports on Stonehenge. He researched the topic well and he tried really hard to ensure the end report was a display of beautiful handwriting.</p> |
|  Foxes | <p>Lucy is always polite and respectful to her peers and to the teachers around the school. Lucy's confidence has grown tremendously from the start of the term till now, Lucy just comes into class and she knows what she needs to do and gets herself ready to learn. great start to the school year Lucy. Well, done.</p> |
|  Hérons | <p>Daisy is a wonderful role model, especially when it comes to showing kindness towards others. She shows empathy and is always ready to lend a hand when her peers are in need.</p> <p>Grace's dedication to her learning is commendable. In every lesson, she shows curiosity and determination to be successful, which often inspires others.</p> |
|  Kingfishers | <p>This week all the children who went to Calshot have been recognised for being Ready, respectful and safe. The children showed independence when having to organise their kit ready for each activity. They listened carefully and used good manners, showing respect, and were safe during all the activities.</p> |



Top Table

The children chosen for the top table this week are:

Arthur L – Bumblebees, Frankie W – Hares, Evie B – Foxes, Pearl M-G – Kingfishers

| Housepoints – these are announced each week in assembly | | | | |
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| |  Oak |  Maple |  Birch |  Rowan |
| Points this week | 270 | 248 | 287 | 259 |
| Position this term | 1st | 4th | 1st | 4th |

PTA News

Half term update! A big thank you to everyone who has helped make PTA events such a success this half term – it is really appreciated!

An amazing **£535** has been raised: This is from Christmas Card orders £254 and Parents evening cake sale £281.

Thanks to your support the PTA has funded, or committed to fund:

- Welly stands
- Four new benches to provide the children with outside seating
- Materials to repair the bike shed
- Chess sets for the newly-formed chess club

There is a lot planned for the second half of term. Please reach out to your class rep or anyone in the team if you would like to get involved or can offer some time to help out at the upcoming disco (11 November). Any support is greatly appreciated. In the meantime we hope you all have a fabulous half term break from the PTA team.

Starting School in September 2026

If you have a child or younger sibling which are due to start school in September 2026 (for those children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022) applications will be open on Saturday 1 November and will close on Thursday 15 January. For more information go to: www.hants.gov.uk/admissions

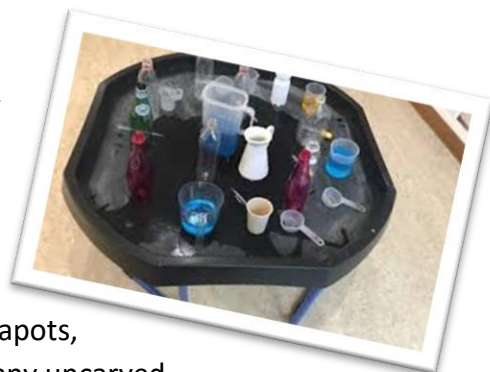
Applications for Secondary School

The applications for secondary school close on **Friday 31 October**. Applications submitted after this date will be considered as late and will be processed after all the on-time applications have been allocated.

Request!

Our Nursery and Year R classes are looking to replenish their water play resources and would really appreciate any donations of plastic or metal jugs, measuring jugs, cups etc, turkey basters, nets, shells, pebbles, funnels, scoops or anything that would be suitable for water play.

Year R would also like some hardy pestle and mortars, spoons, metal teapots, large decorating brushes and paint rollers. They would also appreciate any uncarved pumpkins or squashes and clothes pegs – thank you.





Vaping

For the health and impact on the children, please **refrain from smoking or vaping** near the school gates or grounds. Thank you very much for your co-operation.

Thank you for your continued support in what has been a very busy but rewarding half term. I do hope you all have a lovely half term. We look forward to seeing you recharged and refreshed on Monday 3rd November.

Yours faithfully

Miss Vittle
Headteacher

Dates for your diary - [new events in Blue](#)

ALL DATES CAN BE FOUND ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE TOO 😊

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| Closing date for Year 7 applications | Friday 31 October |
| Swimming Lessons start (Year 3) | Tuesday 4 November |
| Anti-Bullying week & Odd Socks | Monday 10 th November |
| School Photographer | Friday 21 November |
| Inset Day | Monday 1 December |
| Whole School Pantomime | Thursday 11 December |
| Rock Steady Concert 2.30pm | Monday 15 December |
| Christmas Jumper Day | Wednesday 17 December |
| Christmas Lunch | Wednesday 17 December |
| Carols on the Decking | Wednesday 17 th at 3:00pm |
| Listen to Me Concerts – | Thursday 18 December 1.30 pm Year 6 2:00 pm Year 5 |
| End of Term | Friday 19 December |
| Start of Spring Term | Monday 5th January |