

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

What a wonderfully busy week it has been in school!



Across the classes, the children have been fully engaged in their learning. In Bumblebees, the children have particularly enjoyed their maths lessons, where they have been exploring money. A classroom shop appeared earlier in the week, filled with items for "sale", and the children worked hard to calculate totals and work out the correct change. It has been lovely to see their enthusiasm as they applied their learning in such a practical and enjoyable way.

In Ladybirds, the children have been finding out all about different types of structures as they begin to prepare for their exciting playground design project later this term. They collaborated brilliantly, exploring a range of materials and investigating how different structures are built and made stable.

Our Foxes children have also been busy in maths, using a variety of manipulatives to deepen their understanding of fractions. It has been fantastic to see them really getting to grips with some challenging concepts and using hands-on resources to support their thinking.










Across the school, the children have also been enjoying their English learning journeys, choosing their words carefully and thinking about how their writing affects their audience. There has been lots of excellent collaborative work happening in classrooms, with children supporting and learning from one another.

During this morning's celebration assembly, many children were recognised for being ready to learn - organising themselves well, arriving at school on time, and helping others to make sure everyone had what they needed, when they needed it. It was wonderful to celebrate such positive attitudes.

We also want to wish the very best of luck to all our footballers who headed off to the tournament in Eastleigh today. We look forward to hearing all about their matches when they return later on.

Finally, the children have shared how much they have enjoyed welcoming new members to our school community this week. One of our core aims is to ensure that every new child feels welcomed and valued from their very first day, and it has been heartening to see our pupils living out that mission so well.

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





Date	Friday 16 January 2026
 Squirrels	Xander and Ezra for use of fantastic vocabulary in discussions. Orla and Chloe for great effort with their reading. Ezra, Orla, Bella and Ebi for always cleaning their own resources and those they haven't used.
 Ladybirds	Laurie, Caelan, Ilana and Freddie have shown great resilience this week with their maths. They were able to find one more than and one less than a given number using the base 10. After that, they went on to solve some challenging problems using their knowledge gained. Well done!
 Bumblebees	Ben and Marcus have been recognised for their readiness and eagerness in maths this week. Both boys have been determined to achieve when working with money and have really stretched themselves to achieve. Well done!
 Hares	Ollie has been nominated for showing an excessive amount of readiness. Ollie has been organising himself quickly at the start of lessons and trying hard to complete tasks as neat as possible.
 Foxes	Oliver & Lolo have been recognised this week for being ready. Lolo has arrived at school on time and is organised and ready to learn. This has helped with his learning and his presentation. Oliver is also ready to learn. He is organised and independent but also has worked really well in group discussions this week. Well done to both boys!
 Heron	Max and Alice have shown excellent collaborative working this week. On Monday, our assembly focus was teamwork and they have both demonstrated this brilliantly, especially when creating partner balances in PE and when carrying out historical enquiries during our lessons about the earliest civilisations.
 Kingfisher	Daniel and Archie for being ready to try their best in this weeks assessments. Always work hard to do the best they can. Also for not giving up, even when they struggle with a question or are tired from concentrating for so long. Well done to the rest of Kingfishers for their positive attitudes this week.



Top Table

The children chosen for the top table this week are:

Piper S – Bumblebees, Mila C – Foxes, Samuel P – Herons, Blake P - Kingfishers

Housepoints – these are announced each week in assembly				
	 Oak	 Maple	 Birch	 Rowan
Points this week	419	449	411	409
Leaderboard	4th	1st	2nd	2nd

Community First Local Children's Partnerships

The Local Children's Partnerships are offering various events to help parents with a wide range of courses. One form of help being offered is from Southern Water where they can assist with:



- White good support where families are able to obtain white goods, beds and carpets.
- Crisis food Vouchers
- Water debt grant
- 12 month bill reduction
- Payment Break

To qualify for any of the above you need to be a Southern Water Bill payer. To apply for any of these schemes and tariffs go to: What If I Can't Pay My Bill? – Southern Water. We also have an information pack in the office.

The LCP also run a course entitled 'First Words Together'. If you are worried about your toddlers talking this is a five week course with helpful tips and advice. This is for toddlers age 6 – 30 months and is run by the Hampshire Library Service. Please contact them for more information or pop in to the school office for a leaflet and joining code.

Eco Club

The Eco Council (KS2) met with Anna Prideaux today who is a volunteer from the Department of Education's Climate Ambassador Programme. Anna spoke to the children about the government's Climate Action Plan for schools and the topics it covers.



Also they talked about the Healthy Living Audit which each class will be asked to complete and the results will be discussed at their next meeting in February.

Active Me Holiday Courses

ActiveMe 360 will be running holiday camps at Stanmore Primary School this February half term, including a free Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme for eligible families. The camps provide fun, active sessions and healthy meals in a safe and welcoming environment. For more information and to book visit: www.activeme360.com.

Football Holiday Club

Matt, who runs our Football club here at school is running a Football Camp during the half term holiday here at school. This is running from 17th – 19th February, 9am – 3pm for ages 5 -13 at a cost of £20 per day or £50 for all three days. To book go to: bookwhen.com/mattwellsfootballcoaching or telephone Matt on 07801 790066.



Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully



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

ALL DATES CAN BE FOUND ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE TOO 😊

Coffee and Chat Session – 8.45 – 9.15am	Wednesday 28th January
Safer Internet Day	Tuesday 10th February
Open Classroom Event – 3 – 3.30pm	Thursday 12 th February
School breaks up for half term	Thursday 12 th February 2026
Inset Day	Friday 13 th February 2026
Year 1 Trip to Science Centre	Monday 9th March 2026
Rock Steady Concert – 3pm	Monday 23rd March 2026
Inset Day	Friday 26 th June 2026
Inset Day	Monday 29 th June 2026