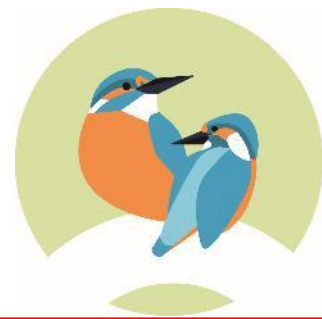




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Primary and Pre-school



Newsletter 21

7 June 2024

Summer term

I hope you all had a lovely holiday and are now on countdown to the summer holidays.

This term is a busy one for every year group and we are delighted to be welcoming another full cohort of children into our Year R class this term on their stay and play dates.

We have updated the dates for diary section so that you have all of the dates we have for the term – if there's any new ones, they'll be added to future newsletters in bold so you can easily spot them.

Annual reports will be sent home on Tuesday 11th June – I apologise for the delay – an OfSTED visit at the other school I am supporting put paid to anything in the last week of term!

Mrs Jefferies
Headteacher

Stockbridge Saver

As the last half term holidays were so close the end of the month, I heard from more families than ever about how to access the food pantry and foodbank. Summer is a busy time for being out and about so I thought it would be helpful if I posted the information for both here for everyone:

FOODBANKS

We have access to Winchester & Andover foodbanks and can give families up to 4 vouchers which is 4 weeks worth of food. You have to visit the foodbank in person, handover your vouchers and receive food for your family – the choice is often pre-made for you.

FOOD PANTRY

These differ to the foodbank in that you pay £5 and should be able to walk away with over £15 of food roughly. They also are often gateways into finding support for housing, finance, CAB and more. They also allow you to 'shop' as you would in a supermarket and have greater choice as well as fridge and frozen goods as well as dry foods.

Mobile – this visits our very own school car park from 11-12noon each Friday in term time.

Town-based pantry – There are big pantries in Andover (SP10 5DE) open Mon, Tues & Fri 9.30am – 12noon & Wed 4-6pm and in Romsey (SO51 8PJ) open Mon & Fri 9.30am – 12noon and Wed 4-6pm.

FOSS update

In the week before the holidays, FOSS held their AGM. Many thanks to all who turned out for this event and I am delighted that people have stepped forward and we have a new team to keep up the sterling work done by the outgoing committee.

New Chair: Anna Cooper (Isabelle in Year 1's mum)

New Treasurer: Victoria (Vic) Reeves (Athena in Year R's mum)

Secretary: Kate Johnson – thanks for sticking in the role Kate!

Many, many thanks to Nicola McCombe for her leadership in the last 3 years and to Kate Scragg who has been our steadfast treasurer for more years than she may care to remember! You have both, along with Kate, achieved so much for our children and kept events going in the aftermath of COVID too. Thank you!

Signposting

Please note that from time to time, we signpost families to local activities, clubs or events. Whilst we are selective in what we send out, this should not be seen as a recommendation or endorsement. We do not carry out the same checks for signposted activities as we would for those activities hosted within or by the school and parents should therefore satisfy themselves that they are happy with the organisation and their activity.

Polite parking

A few reminders for this term please:

It is illegal to park in front of a dropped kerb.

Last term, a neighbor was blocked from entering her driveway for 20 mins. Imagine if you had to sit outside your house that long with a sleeping toddler and car full of shopping.

I also had a visit from the police after an altercation between a parent and a neighbor. Threats were made to the neighbor which is wholly unacceptable...not least as their child was with them.

The whole of the kerb from in front of The Hub to the end of the next 2 cottages is dropped.

Parking near a corner is illegal.

Especially stopping to drop your child off ON the corner.

When dropping or picking up your child, please find a parking space, park up and walk them down to school.

Road changes

You may have seen me with a group of people stood by the junction into school at the tail end of last term. This is yet another site meeting looking for ways to improve the traffic flow and make our approach to school, and OLR safer.

One of the men was the Principal Transport Planner for HCC and we have been exploring ways to make the crossing safer with some good proposals coming from him and money in place with the Parish Council to make them happen.

The proposals are being put forward on 20th June at the Town Hall when the Parish Council next meet.

HCC are proposing changes to the junction entering OLR which we are contesting and I will make representations to that effect ahead of the meeting.

It seems that all of these things take inordinate amounts of time but I am determined as our my Parish Council and OLR colleagues!

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UPDATES

Musician of the month

The last one of the year as we keep broadening your child's musical interests and understanding of musical changes over time.

This month, it's...

THE BEATLES

We're specifically looking at 'timbre' – this is character or quality of music as produced by the instruments, including voice, of a piece of music.

Songs we've added to our playlist are:

Yellow submarine

Come together

Here comes the sun

Yesterday

Hey Jude

Let it be

...but there are so many more you could explore! We hope it's a good soundtrack for your summer!



Healthy snacks

We have talked to the children today about snacks they may bring in for breaktime and how they should be something that sustains you all morning. We hold our breaktime early specifically to cater for those who have had an early breakfast and before we embark on a long chunk of learning until lunch.

This week we've seen whole packets of chocolate biscuits, whole bags of haribo (travel size ones) and countless crisps eaten at lunch.

We have given all children free access to the fruit and veg snacks in school outside Mrs Cooper's room and the kitchen also run a snack shop.

Please ensure your child knows what you intend for them to have as a snack if they are bringing in a packed lunch box otherwise sandwiches get eaten at 10am!

Sporting success

The last weekend before half term felt a bit like Super Saturday in the 2012 olympics here at school as received email after email of genuinely brilliant sporting successes from across the school. We couldn't not share them here. We share them in this way as your child might be looking for a club to join or waiting to find 'their thing' and perhaps it might be one of the sports we share here.



TEAM DYNAMITE!

Maddie, Iris, Ella and Ava, all in Year 4, took part in a triathlon held at Marlborough College before the holidays and raised a whopping £400 for charity – they've chosen to donate 50% of this to FOSS – brilliant girls, thank you and well done! Not only that but they were the only state school pupils entered and came 36th out of 57 entries – all others from private schools!



ZONIC ZAC!

In a seriously impressive achievement, Zac in Year 4 ran the 11km trail run in Houghton just before the holidays and was the first junior to cross the line, winning the under 16, yes the under 16 category! Fabulous Zac! The route and heat were challenging and here he is with a well deserved gold medal! He doesn't even look like he's broken a sweat! His finish time was 1hr 5 (or 6!) minutes!



FOOTBALL ACHIEVEMENTS

Some special mentions below but well done to all in the team for their achievements – you cannot get an award unless you have a great team behind you!

Under 7s

Noah S was manager's player
Max was parent's player
Joshua most improved player
Freddie Pawsey is player's player

Under 7s

Henry D – Parent's player
Zac – Player's player



JUJITSU GENIUS!

Thea has done amazingly well in a recent Jujitsu competition coming 3rd and she's grey belt with 2 red stripes (in Japanese Jujitsu)

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UPDATES

FRIENDS OF STOCKBRIDGE PRIMARY & PRE-SCHOOL

BAG 2 SCHOOL

SCHOOL DROP - MONDAY 24TH JUNE 8.35 AM - 3.30 PM
COMMUNITY DROP - SUNDAY 23RD JUNE 11 AM - 1 PM

	ITEMS YOU CAN DONATE INCLUDE	
	 CLOTHES	 SHOES
	 SOFT TOYS	 CURTAINS
	<p>Accepted: Clothes, Hats, Bags, Jewellery, Belts, Shoes, Soft Toys, Household Linen, Curtains.</p> <p>NO SCHOOL UNIFORM OR BRIC-A-BRAC</p> <p>Please leave any bagged donations in the train station on the playground.</p>	

Other success too!



It's not just success in the sporting arena that has come to our children recently. Phoebe is proudly displaying her Blue Peter badge, sent to her after she drew a picture of her dog Max in recognition of the careful drawing and colouring and level of detail.

Our children joined villagers yesterday to commemorate the 80th D-Day landings over at the memorial. James & Freddie in Year 6 read a blessing beautifully.



Diary Dates Summer term 2023-24

Our website is also updated with all of these new dates and will now be up to date as we've bravely moved to an online diary for all staff!

Date	Who does it apply to?	Time	Notes
w/b 10 th June	Year 1 & some Year 2	All week	Phonics check
	Year 4	All week	Multiplication tables check week
Mon 10 th	Teams	All day	Athletics Competition at King's Somborne
Tues 11 th	All	3.15pm	Reports sent home.
Fri 14 th	All	14:30	Father's Day shop
Tues 18 th	Upper School	09:00	Upper School Sharing morning – come and see your child's work
Wed 19 th	Year R & Lower School	09:00	Lower School and Sprat & Winkle Sharing morning – come and see your child's work
Tues 25 th	Team TBC	16:00	Rounders tournament
Fri 28 th	Year 3	18:00 – overnight	Camp out
w/b 1 st July	Year 1-6	All week	Testing week
Fri 5 th July	Years 4-6	14:00 & 18:00	End of year show
			Swimming?
Fri 12 th	Team TBC	TBC	Dance festival
Mon 15 th	All	09:00	Sports day (will be finished by 12noon)
Thurs 18 th	All	15:30	Summer sizzler
Fri 19 th	Year 6 & leavers	11:00 12:00 13:00	Leaver's assembly End of Year picnic – all families welcome for a picnic lunch. School finishes for the year.