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Newsletter

7th October 2016

A wonderful week! It started with our Harvest Festival led by Year 2. Thank you to them for leading our worship with beautiful singing and prayers. Thank you to you for your generous donations of cans and packets which were sent to Southampton City Mission. Last night 120 children performed in our POP UK concert at Mountbatten Lantern Theatre and treated their families to a spectacular pop concert with awesome singing and dance moves. The concert demonstrated what a fantastic community we are – thank you all the children and staff for giving up their time to be there.

A CD has been produced of the children performing their POP UK songs which can be bought for £6. You need to place your order by Monday if you would like one. Please pop into the office to order. Alternatively, you could text 70660 with the message POPUK1 which will then send you a link to download the songs for a cost of £4.

And, if that wasn't enough the Mugglewumps and Glow-worms classes (Y3/4) visited the Andover Iron Age Museum and Danebury Iron Age Fort. The children were beautifully behaved and enjoyed learning all about life in the Iron Age.

And just when we thought it was the weekend we remembered FORCE discos! Thank you to FORCE for organising and all the parents that helped out.



DIARY DATES

7th Oct—Discos

12th Oct—Danebury SW

21st Oct—School Photos

14th Nov—Fairthorne Residential
Years 5/6

25th Nov—Yr 1/2 New Age
Kurling 1.30-4pm Mountbatten
School

2st Dec—Tag Rugby Festival
Mountbatten School 1.30-4pm

9th Dec—Indoor Athletics
Festival: Yr 3/4/5/6 1.30-4pm

HARVEST

Psalm 104:27 (OLD TESTAMENT)

All creatures look to you, O God, to give them their food at the proper time

Next week there are two events that you could get involved in:

Reading Open Morning – Tuesday, 11th October 9.00 – 10.30am Parents are invited in for a cup of tea/coffee to learn about how we teach writing in KS1 and KS2 and how you can help your child to make really good progress in their reading. At 9.30am you will then be free to walk around school visiting different classes to see how reading progresses throughout the school.

Parent-Governor Workshop – 7.00-8.00pm Please come along and work with me and the school governors to talk about how well the school is doing and what we are working on in school to make it even better. This will be an opportunity for you to meet the governors and air your thoughts. Please see the recent Governors' Newsletter (on the website) for more details. Wine (and other refreshments) and Nibbles will be available to help the conversations along.

On the What's on this Term diary dates that came out at the beginning of term, a **Starters' Service** was scheduled for next Friday in Church for Year R and Year I but, because of a problem with the church toilets, we are unable to hold this service. We will hold this service later in the year when the problems are resolved.

Finally, I am sure you would like to join me in thanking Mrs Pirie for all her hard work and commitment over the

Primary (Reception Class 2017 Entry) Applications Applications for Hampshire County Council Primary Schools (Reception Class 2017 entry) opens on 1st November 2016, you can apply; online at www.hants.gov.uk/admissions or using a paper application form from the school office. The application deadline is Sunday 15th January 2017. **Secondary School Applications Hampshire County Council Secondary School** applications are now open. The deadline for applications is Monday 31st October 2016.

JUNIOR ROAD SAFETY OFFICER TRAINING DAY

Jonathan said the best bit was making a 'radio advert about road safety'. He is part of the JRSO team with Lily Gasparro, Jamie Moroney and Bryony Maxwell. The objective of the training is to give them the knowledge as well as ideas to share with their peers back at school. The day gives them suggestions for assemblies, activities, competitions as well as any whole school initiatives they can use to teach road safety as well as improve parking outside their school. This is all part of the Bikeability and Walk to School week.



YR 2017 Open Day

For parents thinking of choosing Rownhams St Johns Primary School for their child next year, we have an open morning on 2nd November at either 9.30am or 11am. If you would like to come and see our school with your child, please call the office on 02380 736417 to book an appointment. We look forward to seeing you!

LETTERS SENT OUT THIS WEEK

Yr R 1 & 2— Data Collection Sheets

CROSS COUNTRY 1 – Cupernham School
Well done to our team of runners who took part at last weeks first cross country event. There are 4 more over the next few months which we hope many more of you will come and take part in. We would like to invite yr1 and 2 to come to the next one and represent the school. **CROSS COUNTRY 2** - Change of Venue – Tuesday 1st November at Mountbatten School The second cross country competition will now take place at Mountbatten School and not Wellow School. This is to ease potential parking problems.



Endangered Species

Beginners



Supported using public funding by
Department for Education
ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND



FREE local instrumental lessons and instrument hire for a year to boost our 'Endangered Species'!



What is meant by 'Endangered Species'?

Put simply, both at a local and national level, there are just not enough of these instruments being played in ensembles. This year Hampshire Music Service wishes to remove barriers and offer specialist free tuition and instrument hire to those wanting to give 'endangered' instruments a try, with

Romsey Area Schools Orchestras will be supporting the following 'species',
Thursday evenings from 4pm at Mountbatten School, Romsey:



Low Brass & French Horns

Get in touch now to register your interest

Only available to complete beginners

023 8065 2037 music.service@hants.gov.uk



HEAD LICE

We have been made aware this week of a couple of cases of headlice in school but by the time you read this letter it is probably too late to eradicate head lice effectively in school. Could I please remind you that checking and wet combing should be done on a regular basis, regardless of whether or not your child has head lice. Prevention is better than cure!

WEST COMBING METHOD:

- Wash the hair in the normal way with ordinary shampoo.
- Use lots of hair conditioner and while the hair is very wet, comb through the hair from the roots with a fine tooth-comb. Make sure the teeth of the comb slot into the hair at the roots with every stroke and do this over a pale surface, such as a paper towel or the bath.
- Wet lice find it difficult to escape and hair which is slippery from conditioner make it hard for them to grip – so removal with the comb is easier.
- Clear the comb of lice between each stroke.
- If you find any lice then repeat this routine every three to four days for two weeks, so that any lice emerging from the eggs are removed before they can spread.

USING LOTIONS:

- These are available from the chemist over the counter or on prescription for the children. The chemist will advise on which lotion to use. It is important to follow the instructions on the packet.
- If lice are found, it is most important to check and if necessary, treat the rest of the household. Regular wet-combing is part of routine hair washing and is the best way to prevent the problem recurring.

FOCUS:

**BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR
LEARNING BY SHOWING INDEPENDENCE**

Mrs Withers — Erin W
Mrs Phelps/Miss Adams— Daniel P
Mrs White— Harry H
Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod —Fionn O
Mr Warner – Isabelle H
Mrs Phillips – Erin W
Mrs Alldred— Liah DT
Mrs Mountney— Olivia P
Miss Robus— Lilly P
Miss Hill—Samuel S
Mrs Johnson— Emma C

DOJO CHAMPION OF THE WEEK

Mrs Withers — Abigail H
Mrs Phelps/Miss Adams— Liam H and Alex R
Mrs White— Katie C
Mrs Hogbin/Mrs Garrod — William H
Mr Warner – Rhea M
Mrs Phillips – Isabelle W
Mrs Alldred— Dylan M
Mrs Mountney— Maisie P
Miss Robus— Isla NW
Miss Hill— Leo W
Mrs Johnson— Harriet R

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

Mrs Withers — Daisy G
Mrs Phelps/Miss Adams— Gracie S
Mrs White— Daisy S
Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod — James W
Mr Warner – Emily P
Mrs Phillips – Lara R
Mrs Alldred— Alexie C
Mrs Mountney— Connor B
Miss Robus— Elliott H
Miss Hill— Oliver N
Mrs Johnson— Rocco S

STAR WRITER

Mrs Withers — Emma S
Mrs Phelps/Miss Adams—Ellie W
Mrs White— Mia P
Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod —Charlie C
Mr Warner – Luke D
Mrs Phillips – Lyla B
Mrs Alldred— Josh D
Mrs Mountney— Niamh H
Miss Robus—Teddy V
Miss Hill—Lucy T
Mrs Johnson— Enzo A