



Dear Parents and Carers

## Goodbye Miss Withers and Mrs Jonas

I am sad to say that two of our amazing team members are moving onto ventures new at the end of this term.

Miss Withers will be leaving us to take up a new teaching role closer to home in Somerset and Mrs Jonas will be leaving us to take up a new role as the Child and Family Support Worker at North Baddesley Junior School.

Mrs Phillips will be stepping into Miss Withers' class every morning and she will continue with her Deputy Headteacher responsibilities in the afternoon. We will confirm who will be teaching in the afternoon in next week's newsletter when we have finalised these details with our staff.

We will be reviewing our Child and Family Support Worker role. Whilst we still value the crucial work that this position offers we also have needs elsewhere in the school where additional staff resources would be welcome. I am sure you will have seen in the news the challenges schools are facing with budgets. We have to make decisions based on this as we are also being stretched financially. We will update you on this as soon as we know more. In the meantime, you will be able to speak to any member of our team and we will do our absolute best to support you and your children.

Both Miss Withers and Mrs Jonas will leave huge shoes to fill but I am sure you will join me in wishing them every success for the future.

## Nativity

Our lower school children have rehearsed their Nativity this morning! I haven't seen it yet but will be watching Monday morning. It sounded great! I look forward to seeing you then!

## Parent Group

In the new year I will be setting up a Parent Group. We would like to have a parental representative for each class to meet once a term with the Headteacher to provide ideas and support with our school improvement. We would like parental input on how we can make the school better but with a particular focus on areas identified by the school. This group will also be used as a conduit for parental feedback.

We will send out a letter and reply form before the end of term with more information, so if you are interested please look out for this.

## INSET DAY - Monday 7th January 2018

We can confirm our remaining INSET of the year has been set for essential staff training on Monday 7th January. Final two days will be Monday 25 February and Friday 24th May 2019.

Warm wishes,

Tim Woodford, Headteacher

## Advent

John 3:16 (NEW TESTAMENT: GOSPELS)

*God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son.*

Love, Joy & Responsibility



# FESTIVE DAY



**Friday 14th December 2018**

**Wear your festive jumper, hat, or Christmas accessory and donate to Southampton Children's Hospital Charity.**

**Please help us to raise £500 to buy a bed for one of the new assessments bays. All donations welcome.**

**All funds raised from the day will be donated to the Children's Emergency and Trauma Department appeal.**

**For more information please contact the Charity Team  
023 8120 8881      [charity@uhs.nhs.uk](mailto:charity@uhs.nhs.uk)**



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## Carols by Candlelight



Please come and join us for our annual Carols by Candlelight. An opportunity for you to enjoy the Christmas Story through poems, carols and readings.

On: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Where: St John's Church, Rownhams

At: 6:30pm

Mince Pies will be served after the service.



## Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day Friday 14th December

### Please Note

If a 'Meat' or 'Veg' lunch hasn't been pre-ordered you will need to send your child in with a packed lunch.

Reminder that Thursday 13th December will be the 'Fishy Friday' day.



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### Emails/Texts/Letters Home

Copies are available in the office

<http://www.rownhams.hants.sch.uk/adults/letters/>

Day	Letter Type	Year Group	Description
3 Dec 18	Letter/Slip	Specific pupils	Explorer's Club - Allergy Form
3 Dec 18	Email	Specific pupils	Explorer's Club—Final session
3 Dec 18	Email	Whole school	Newsletter 11
3 Dec 18	Email	Specific pupils	School Athletics Team Selection
3 Dec 18	Email	Specific pupils	Athletics Festival Reserve Places
4 Dec 18	Letter	Whole school	Countdown to Christmas
5 Dec 18	Email	Whole school	Important Updates
5 Dec 18	Email	Whole school	Movie Night Finishes at 5pm

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Showing your child the importance of attending school every day not only helps your child to settle quickly when starting school but helps them to keep and sustain friendships and enjoy the school environment



Registration Group	Class % Attendance
Elvis (Mrs Phelps/Miss Hogbin)	98.7%
Jordan (Mr Warner)	98%
Einstein (Mrs Garrod/Mrs Brown)	98%
Edison's (Miss Withers)	97.2%
Monet's (Mrs Johnson)	97.2%
Van Gogh's (Miss Knight)	96.8%
Little Nemo's (Mrs Baxter/Mrs Shiers)	95.8%
Little Dory's (Miss Ramsdale)	95.6%
J K Rowling (Miss Hamilton)	94.7%
Ford (Miss Hill)	94.2%
Disney (Mrs Hannam)	94%

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### Calendar -

May we politely remind parents that amendments and new dates are added to the calendar throughout the term so please always check the calendar regularly and ensure your home diary is correct. Thank you.

Date	Time	Year Group	Description
10 Dec 18	3.10 - 4.15	Choir	Extra Choir Session
10 Dec 18	09.30am	Year R, 1 & 2	KS1 Nativity
11 Dec 18	2.00pm	Year R, 1 & 2	KS1 Nativity
11 Dec 18	All Day	Whole School	Christingle
12 Dec 18	09.30am	Year R, 1 & 2	KS1 Nativity
13 Dec 18	Lunchtime	R-6	School lunch menu option is 'Fishy Friday'
13 Dec 18	09.00-09.45	Year 5/6	VE day - Parent Outcome
14 Dec 18	All day	Whole School	CHRISTMAS LUNCH/JUMPER DAY
14 Dec 18	1.30-4.00pm	Year 5/6	Basketball Festival Mountbatten
17 Dec 18	Afternoon	Year 1/2	Christmas party
17 Dec 18	18.30 - 19.30pm	All welcome	Carols by Candlelight
18 Dec 18	Afternoon	Year 5/6	Christmas party
18 Dec 18	TBC	Choir (Max of 20 pupils)	Cedar School
19 Dec 18	Afternoon	Year R	Christmas party
20 Dec 18	Afternoon	Year 3/4	Christmas party
21 Dec 18	AM - TBC	All welcome	Carols round the tree
21 Dec 18		Whole School	LAST DAY OF TERM
7 Jan 19		Whole School	FIRST DAY OF TERM
25 Feb 19	All day	Whole School	INSET DAY
12 - 14 Jun 19	3 days	Year 3/4 KH Class	Minstead
17 - 19 Jun 19	3 days	Year 3/4 MG Class	Minstead
19 - 21 Jun 19	3 days	Year 3/4 SW Class	Minstead

### INSET DAYS

**Monday 25th February 2019**

**Friday 24th May 2019**

**[CLICK HERE](#) for Hampshire School  
Dates 2018/2019**



ENTRANCE

ADULTS 50P

CHILDREN 20P

# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER - 11AM TIL 2PM

Raffle Lucky Dip Tombola  
Pony Rides

Usborne Books The Body Shop

Refreshments Felt creations for all  
toys/books/clothes jumble

Homemade crafts



St John's Church Hall

All are welcome

...and more