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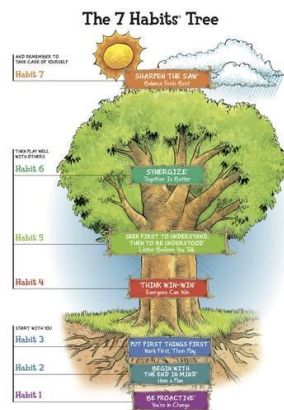
Dear Parents and carers,

A big well done to the children for the enthusiastic and purposeful way that they have settled into the new term.

Leader in Me

We are proud to be a "Leader in Me School".

Leader in Me is whole-school improvement based on the principle that everyone can be a leader. Staff and pupils learn to use a common language and build an understanding of how to work effectively, independently and interdependently, in all aspects of life, not just at school.



This evidence-based approach empowers pupils with the leadership and life skills they need to thrive in the 21st century. We focus on developing the whole child by:-

- Teaching leadership skills to every pupil
- Creating a culture of pupil empowerment

We are excited to be embedding this programme across the school. From our observations and discussions with the pupils, it has such a positive impact on them. It builds on the existing work we do to support pupils' personal development and character development.

Parent Consultation Evenings

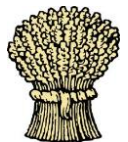
Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th October

Parent-Teacher consultations are an important opportunity to speak with your child's class teacher and understand how your child is settling into routines, the learning environment and academic and social progress. The appointments are for ten minutes and we ask that everyone is respectful in keeping to the time slots.

Please remember that you can use the home-school communication books for routine messages and if you have any other questions/concerns parents can of course, arrange to meet teachers outside of these consultations. Thank you for your support.

Harvest

The pupils have been learning about Harvest and reflecting on the things we have in our lives that we are grateful for. This year, we will once again be supporting the Winchester Beacon with our school harvest donations. The Winchester Beacon provide ongoing advice and guidance to help residents find longer term solutions and support those people experiencing homelessness. It is a good cause and we hope that you will support it.



The Beacon have put together a list of items most needed – please can these be brought into school with the children on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th September.

Instant coffee / tea bags / granulated sugar / squash / pot noodles / table sauces (ketchup, brown sauce, mayo and salad cream / canned meats (spam, curries, stewed meats, chilli, corned beef) / washing powder / toilet rolls / anti bac wipes / antiperspirant.

Love Hope Justice

Residential Trip to Stubbington

Year 5/6 pupils and staff are very much looking forward to an active and exciting week at Stubbington next week. We look forward to hearing all about it!

Sports News Update

Throughout last year, all classes have taken part in the virtual games events in their PE sessions with the results being sent off to our school games organiser at the beginning of July. The events consisted of a virtual run, throw and jump competition, where children take part in a sprint shuttle run, triple jump and chest push challenge, a multi skills challenge - consisting of agility obstacles, a target throw and balancing competition and a skipping challenge to see how many skips can be done in a set time. The events are open to all schools across East Hampshire and the scores for each school are compared to see which schools came 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each event. In September we received a lovely set of certificates through for these events.

In the skipping competition our Year 1 came 2nd overall and the Year 2, 3rd place.

In the multi skills event our Year 1 and Year 2 children both came 1st.

In the run, jump and throw event both our Year 1 and Year 2 came 1st and in the skipping competition, Year 4 came 3rd.

Well done to everyone who took part!
Mrs Cooke-Sports Lead

Blue Peter Badges

Blue Peter have unveiled a new badge that all children can apply for. It is the "book badge", which will be great for promoting reading for pleasure. Please make sure you check out the link below and see all the exciting different coloured badges that the children can achieve and collect!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/about-blue-peter-badges>

Winter weather & coats

Please make sure that all children bring a named coat to school each day. The weather is very changeable and the children should be able to learn and play outside, whatever the weather.



Uniform reminder

Please may we ask that no jewellery (other than small earring studs – which should not be worn on PE days) nail varnish or colourful hair accessories be worn to school. We'd also ask that you name your child's clothing clearly and remove any old name labels – especially if the uniform has been handed down from siblings/friends.

Hair that is shoulder length and longer, should be tied back.

There are a number of water bottles that are also un-named – please can you make sure you put your child's name on it clearly. This helps us return them to the correct classroom and child when found.

PE Kits

These should be in school every day and consist of the following:-

Red shorts

White t-shirt (with or without a logo)

Spare socks

Trainers

Dark jogging bottoms for winter outdoor PE

Applying for a Year R School Place

If you have a child who was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 they will be eligible to start school in September 2024. Please be aware of the following key dates:

Applications open	Deadline for applications	Notification date for on-time applicants
1 November 2023	15 January 2024	16 April 2024

Leader In Me (7 Habits) Leadership Awards

Annie R	Charlotte C	Ronnie B
Beau G	Leo N	Otilie A
Elliot G	Feranmi E	



Living the Values Awards

Children who have been recognised for living the school values of Love, Hope and Justice by demonstrating virtues such as respect, service, compassion, kindness, courage, and fairness.



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We look forward to seeing you at the parent/teacher consultations.

With my best wishes

Mrs Simrit Otway
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 10th October – Open Morning for new parents

Tues 10th and Wed 11th October, parent-teacher consultations

23rd – 27th October – Half term

Tuesday 7th November – Open Morning for new parents

2023/2024 Inset Days

Friday 1st September 2023

Friday 20th October 2023

Tuesday 2 January 2023

A list of 2023-24 Hampshire school dates, including holidays can be found on the school website.