



NEWSLETTER

February 2016

Dear Parents,

It has been a short but remarkably busy half term as usual with Year 5 swimming, Year 3 trip to Butser Ancient Farm and more science visits to QMC. Over the half term break we are hoping to have the roof completed with the roof lights being fitted along with the entrance canopy. We have also spoken to the county regarding the replacement of the paving slabs that are in desperate need of repair. Please take care when walking along the footpath and we hope these will be repaired shortly.

Please see below as we have many important notices for your attention

Don't forget tomorrow is INSET and we will be welcoming the children back to school on Monday 22nd February.

Mrs C Martinez
Headteacher



Music Festival

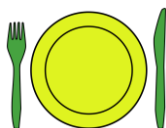
The school choir will take part in the Basingstoke Music Festival on Saturday 19th March from 3.00pm. All are welcome to come and join the audience! (A small entrance fee will be charged.) We hope to perform 'Sing' by Gary Barlow and songs from the Mandela Medley which we sang at the O2.

School Spring Concert

Kindly organised by Mrs Jones, both the Junior and Infant schools present their musical talent! Choirs and recorder groups will perform, as well as the second performance by the Junior School Band (first heard at Christmas). Some of the children learning an instrument in school will also be invited to play.

School Dinner Money

From April 12th HC3S are increasing the cost of dinner money by 10p. The cost of a school dinner will now rise to £2.10.



CAR PARK

Thank you to those parents who do not drive in to the school car park. Please remember this is for school staff only. If collecting from after school clubs please park in the marked bays and park with consideration.

If you do need to come in to the car park and exit when the barrier is in operation you will need to come in to the school office for a token. DO NOT TAIL GATE to get under the barrier – it is very dangerous!



PE KIT

There appears to be a growing number of children without the correct PE kit in school. Please be advised that children need shorts for indoor PE and trainers may only be worn outside. The following kit list is shown in the prospectus:

- *Short sleeved plain *blue sports T-shirts*
- *Navy tracksuit bottoms (not leggings) with * blue hooded sweatshirt tops for colder weather – OUTSIDE ONLY*
- *Sports shorts in navy blue*
- *Trainers may be worn for outside PE work only*

* You will find that when buying new PE tee-shirts and hoodies, these are now blue, which although will be a different shade, will match with the rest of our blue uniform. Red hoodies/tee shirts are still allowed until such a time as you would usually replace them.

All jewellery must be removed for PE for health and safety reasons. This includes earrings. Tape is not allowed as an alternative. Children must be able to remove the earrings themselves or take them out before coming to school.

NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM

I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT OUR NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM IS NOW AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM SKOOLKIT.

You should be able to buy all your uniform by internet or by popping in to their shop in Basingstoke. Of course I do not expect parents to purchase the new uniform until such a time as they would usually do so.

In cold weather plain black flat heeled boots may be worn to school but should not be worn in the school building. Shoes must be **flat-heeled** and in dark brown, black or dark blue.

BALL COURT

Once again I would like to clarify the use of the ball court after school.

After school children must go home and change before using the ball court as members of the community. This is to ensure that all children have returned home and parents know the whereabouts of their children. It also ensures that secondary school children do not enter before our children are safely off the premises. It is difficult for staff to ascertain which parents are supervising their children and so to avoid any confusion **THE BALL COURT IS NOT TO BE USED STRAIGHT AFTER SCHOOL.** There is a rota for classes to use the ball court at break times. Please note that the ball court is not available for community use until after 5pm.



DIARY DATES

FEB 12th	INSET DAY	MARCH	Other Notable Dates
15 th -19 th	Half Term	22 nd	Year 4 Topic outcome afternoon
24 th 29 th	Travelling Books – prices from £2.99	23 rd	Year 6 Topic outcome afternoon
27 th	FFLS Ice Hockey	23 rd	School Choir Concert at Christchurch
MARCH		24 th	Last day of term
2 nd	Parent Drop in with Mrs Docherty -8.40am	24 th Mar – 8 th Apr	Easter Holiday
9 th	The Vyne coffee morning for Year 6 – 9am	APRIL	
15 th	Parents Evening 4pm-6pm	11 th	INSET DAY
16 th	Parents Evening 5.30pm-8pm	13 th	Parent Drop in with Mrs Docherty
17 th	Year 5 Topic outcome afternoon	MAY	
18 th	Sports Relief – Info to follow	2 nd	BANK HOLIDAY
19 th	Basingstoke Music Festival	4 th	Parent Drop in with Mrs Docherty
21 st	Year 3 Topic outcome afternoon	9 th -13 th	SAT's Week