



NEWSLETTER

October 2017

Dear Parents,

October half term is almost upon us and the weather is turning a little more autumnal with plenty of rain falling over the last few weeks. Please can you ensure children have their coats everyday as not only are they outside at morning break and lunchtime but they are also spending considerably more time outside during lessons.

This half term has focused a great deal on responsibilities as School Councillors have been elected and House Captains chosen along with many other positions of responsibility assigned. Many children kindly came back to school last night to show prospective parents around the school and to showcase some of the activities we do here. They were fantastic ambassadors, speaking enthusiastically about their school, answering questions, and taking part in a range of activities. The prospective parents were very impressed with the enthusiasm and eloquence displayed by the children.

Already lots of children have been on trips. Year 6 were amazed at the amount they learnt about 'Amazingstoke' when they visited the town centre. Year 5 have been to Tesco's as part of their global learning along with visiting QMC to further enhance their learning in Science. The rest of the school will also have the opportunity to do this through the year.

Just a reminder – it is INSET on Monday 30th October. Therefore children will start back to school on TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER. Have a lovely half term.

Mrs C Martinez
Headteacher

TESCO BAGS OF HELP

A massive thank you to all our families and friends for putting in your blue Tesco tokens for our Space to Grow project. Due to your efforts we have secured a total of **£5000!**

Our Ground Force Day on 4th November will help us prepare the grounds ready to spend the money in Spring

HARVEST

Thank you to everyone for bringing in contributions for our Harvest Festival. The Basingstoke foodbank are very grateful for the fantastic effort everyone made.



On 22nd September children were invited to wear their jeans and bring a pound in for Genetic Disorders UK.

We raised a total of **£293!** Thank you!

Governor Update

Our governing body is keen to improve the communication they have with parents over the school year so have decided to give you a brief update on our newsletters each half term. Look out next half term for the next update.

Here are some of the key dates for your diary over the academic year



DIARY



DATES

October			Other Notable Dates
20 th	Non School uniform fund raising day	January	
20 th	FFLS Bake Sale	10 th	Year 6 SAT's Evening 6pm
23 rd -27 th	Half Term	February	
30 th	Inset Day	2 nd	FFLS School Disco
31 st	Back to school	12 th – 16 th	Half Term
November		19 th	Inset day
4 th	Ground Force Day	March	
6 th	Yr6 Fire safety workshops	6 th -13 th	School Book Fair
6 th	Bonfire Lunch	13 th	Pupil Led Learning Review
6 th	4RD and 4MC visit to QMC	17 th	FFLS Easter Egg Hunt
7 th	4BB visit to QMC	26 th	Yr4 Topic Outcome 2.45pm
9 th	Yr6 Road Safety workshops	27 th	Yr3 Topic Outcome 2.45pm
15 th	3HB Trip to Chineham Library	28 th	Yr6 Topic Outcome 2.45pm
15 th	Parents Evening	29 th	Yr5 Topic Outcome 2.45pm
16 th	3OB Trip to Chineham Library	April	
16 th	Parents Evening	30 th March-13 th	Easter Holidays
17 th	Children in Need	26 th	Calshot Parents Evening – 6pm
17 th	3ST Trip to Chineham Library	May	
22 nd	Yr 5 Planetarium visit	14 th -18 th	SAT's Week
25 th	Christmas Fayre 2pm – 4pm	28 th -1 st June	Half Term
27 th – 1 st	Yr 5 Bikeability	June	
December		4 th	Inset Day
5 th	Lower School Performance 2pm and 6pm	4 th -8 th	Year 6 Calshot
6 th	Lower School Performance 6pm	22 nd	Sports Day
11 th	Year 6 Topic Outcome 2.45pm	23 rd	Summer Fete
12 th	Year 5 Topic Outcome 2.45pm	25 th	Yr5 Topic Outcome 2.45pm
13 th	Yr3 and Yr4 Christmas lunch	26 th	Yr4 Topic Outcome 2.45pm
14 th	Yr5 and Yr6 Christmas lunch	27 th	Yr3 Topic Outcome 2.45pm
21 st	Carols in the Playground 1.15 – 1.45pm	July	
22 nd – 3 rd	Christmas Holidays	20 th	Last Day of Term finish at 1.30pm
4 th Jan	Back to School	23 rd	Inset Day