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20th October 2017. Autumn Term No 4

Another half term has whizzed by and the autumnal weather is drawing in. On behalf of the team I would like to thank you for all your support and attendance at our family events over the half term. Well done to our Year R children who have completed their first half term at school, we are very proud of their achievements.



Year R Suitcase topic

Our budding Year R detectives had great fun trying to solve the mystery of the "Missing Suitcase". They used their questioning skills all around school trying to find out who it belonged to. Thank you for supporting this topic by supplying boxes/cases and for joining us for our Open Event yesterday.

A Half Term Request!!!!

Every year we ask our parents to go online and complete the Ofsted Parentview Questionnaire, giving us important feedback about our school. This year we would like to set you a challenge of over 100 parents completing this during the half term break. It only takes a few minutes of your time but means so much to us. Come on team Padnell – you can do it!

The online questionnaire can be found here: <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> There is also a link to the site from our website under Useful Links on the right hand side of the main page.



Online Payments

A huge thank you to those families who are making online payments for things like Crafty Club and Uniform. This saves a lot of work in the office so we really appreciate it.



Parking

Sadly I have received more reports about dangerous parking. Local residents are being blocked into their driveways/parking spaces or not able to get into them!

Even more worryingly there have also been some near misses where people have driven across the path to park on the bank of grass outside the school. This is not acceptable and is making it unsafe for those families who do choose to walk to school.

This situation is set to worsen after half term when there will be water works in Holman Close (see our letter dated 18th October). Please, please, please give yourselves plenty of time to get to school and park a little further away if you're not able to walk from home. Thank you.

Waitrose

Year 1 Trip to Waitrose

Children in Year 1 enjoyed a tour of Waitrose as part of their Food Topic. They found out about where our food comes from and how it gets into our stores.

Our thanks to Mrs Saunders for helping to organise the trip and to Mrs Hoy for driving the minibus back and forth.



Year R Photos in The Petersfield Post

The photographs of the Year R Classes are now available online and should be in the paper next week.

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Old £1 Coins

The old £1 coins are no longer legal tender so we are unable to accept them. However, Poppy Sellers WILL accept them if you would like to donate them to this worthy cause.



Wanted

The Year R team are in need of a second hand leather sofa to go outside under the canopy in their learning garden. It will be used as a "chit chat" chair to develop language and communication. If you know anyone who is giving one away, for free, please let us know.



Attendance

Despite the horrible bugs we've endured this half term, 179 pupils have achieved 100% attendance! Our whole school figure is 97.45%. Can we get it to 98%?

Well done to our top 3 classes who have the following attendance:

- 1st – Finches 99.6%
- 2nd – Owls 97.94%
- 3rd – Rabbits 97.82%



Governors

Thank you to those of you who answered our short Governor questionnaire at Parents Evening. We are delighted at the number of positive comments received and will discuss any improvement points fully.

Governor Vacancy

If you would like to become a Parent Governor, then please see the letter sent home on Wednesday.

PIPSA



Many hands make light work

Attendance of our Magic Show on Monday 16th October was amazing. All the children seemed to have a fantastic time with The Amazing Mr Tall. Thank you for supporting this fun event.

Our next fundraiser will be a Quiz Night on Friday 24th November. Letters were sent home on Wednesday so please check the website if you don't have a copy. We will need to know if there is enough interest in this event to proceed, so please send your slips back ASAP. Thank you.



Harvest Celebrations

Thank you for your generous donations to our Harvest Display. All produce will be taken to Waterloooville Foodbank.



Padnell in Bloom

In memory of David Bailey, a previous Governor, Chair of Governors and a fantastic help in school, reading to children we spent Monday 16th October planting lots of bulbs around school. David's widow and daughter joined us for this special occasion. We look forward to seeing an array of flowers in the Spring.



Parents Evening

Thank you to everyone who made an online appointment for Parents' Evening this week, that was 96% of you! We hope you found the time with your child's class teacher useful and informative.

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New Dinner Menus

New dinner menus were sent home last week. The new menu runs from November to March. You can also view the menu online at: <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hc3s/hc3s-primary/primarymenu.htm> (this site is listed on our website under Parents & Useful websites). Could you please share the menu with your child as they will be encouraged to be healthy and resilient and eat their vegetables.



Pumpkin Carving

We hope those parents who came along to help with Pumpkin Carving had fun. The children certainly did!

Thank you again to PIPSA for supplying the pumpkins.

Rotary Club Shoebox Scheme



Every year the school supports the Rotary Club Shoebox Scheme. The scheme asks the children to make up boxes containing small toys, educational items and appropriate toiletries (there will be a separate leaflet of things you can and can't include), together with a £1 coin donation which helps towards the cost of transportation. The shoeboxes are then collected from school by the Rotary Club and shipped to Albania, Montenegro, Moldova and the Philippines where they are distributed at the festive time to disadvantaged children.

Leaflets/labels were sent home on 11th October. We have a small supply of boxes if you do not have a shoe box. All boxes must be returned to school by **Wednesday 1st November** (the week after half term).



Flu Jabs

As part of the Government initiative to help slow the spread of the flu virus, the School Nurse team will be in school on 28th November offering the nasal flu immunisation to all children. Further information and consent letters will be sent home after half term.



Book Fair

Our Annual Book Fair will be in school from Wednesday 8th November until Friday 10th November. For every book you buy, Scholastic donate a book to the school. Why not get a little of your Christmas shopping done early?



Half Term

School will finish at 3.05pm today although Crafty Club will continue until 5pm as usual and Zumba is still on. We hope you have a lovely break and look forward to seeing children back in school on Tuesday 31st October.

**INSET
DAY**

Inset Day

A reminder that Monday 30th October is an Inset day so school will be closed to children.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Mandy Grayson
Headteacher

GROW



Giving Citizen
Resilient Learner
Original thinker
Wise Worker

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Please check our website for the list of dates for the whole year.

Date	Event	Year Group	Info
Friday 20th October 3.05pm	Last Day of Term		
Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October	Half Term		School Closed
Monday 30th October	INSET Day	Whole School	School closed to Children
Tuesday 31st October	Return to School		
November.	POPPY APPEAL		Details to be confirmed
Wednesday 1st November	Shoebox Appeal Deadline	Whole School	Please return your filled shoeboxes by today.
Wednesday 1st November	Firework Safety Assembly	Whole School (Children only)	
Thursday 2nd November 5pm – 6.30pm	Night Walk	Whole School Parents & PIPSA	A wander in the woods at night, link to night safety followed by hot chocolate and story books in the hall.
Friday 3rd November. Morning only	2018 Year R tours	Prospective Parents	Appointments available throughout the day. Please contact the office to select a time.

Tuesday 7th November. Morning only	2018 Year R tours	Prospective Parents	Appointments available throughout the day. Please contact the office to select a time.
Wednesday 8th November to Friday 10th November	Book Fayre in school	Whole School	Before and after school sales.
w/c Monday 13th November	Anti Bullying week/Safe Internet		
Monday 13th November. Afternoon only	2018 Year R tours	Prospective Parents	Appointments available throughout the day. Please contact the office to select a time.
Tuesday 14th November	Parent Workshop re Bullying	All Parents/Carers	Details to be confirmed
Tuesday 14th November	Joint event with Juniors on Anti bullying	Whole School (Children only)	Details to be confirmed
Wednesday 15th November	Everybody Reads Day	Whole School	
Wednesday 22nd November Morning only	2018 Year R tours	Prospective Parents	Appointments available throughout the day. Please contact the office to select a time.
Wednesday 22nd November	St Wilfred's Assembly	Whole School (Children only)	Delivered by Reverend Snares
Tuesday 28th November	Flu Jabs for all Children		Permission forms will be sent in due course

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Friday 1st December. Morning only	2018 Year R tours	Prospective Parents	Appointments available throughout the day. Please contact the office to select a time.
Saturday 2nd December	Padnell Junior School Christmas Fayre		
Monday 4 th December 3.05pm – 3.45pm	Open School	All Parents	School will remain open for parents to tour. You can visit any classroom or shared area and look at their children's books
Wednesday 6 th December	Christmas Shopping Day	All children	PIPSA Event
Monday 11th December	Year R Dress Rehearsal	Children only	
Tuesday 12th December 9.30am & 2pm	Year R Nativity	Year R Parents	School Hall
Wednesday 13th December	Year 1 Dress Rehearsal	Children only	
Thursday 14th December 9.30am & 2pm	Year 1 Christmas Production	Year 1 Parents	
Monday 18th December 9.30am	Whole School Church Service	Whole School (Children only)	St Wilfred's Church
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Jumper Day		
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Dinner	Whole School (Children only)	Must be pre- ordered – details to follow.
Wednesday 20 th	Year 2 Carol Service	Year 2 children,	

December 5pm		parents & carers	
Thursday 21st December 3.05pm	Last Day of Term		
Friday 22nd December – Wednesday 3rd January	School Closed	Christmas Holiday	
Thursday 4th January 2018	Return to school		

Messy Church at St Wilfred's 3.15 – 5.45pm

Thursday 16th November

Thursday 14th December