

Cupernham Infant School

Newsletter 3 - Friday 4th October 2024



Dear Parents and Carers, *Together we care, we learn and we achieve!*

The school staff and I are so grateful for the incredible support of our parents and families so far during this half term and it has been lovely to see you all, especially at the Parent Consultation Meetings this week. Thank you for the lovely positive comments written and left on our 'Cupernham Shout Out board!' The staff were touched by your lovely comments.

Our curriculum continues to be lively, exciting and purposeful through the use of lots of inspiring resources and it has been lovely walking around the school seeing and hearing the children laugh and play.

Look out for The Everywhere Bear coming home throughout the year, or a surprise post card home that could be landing on your child's doorstep. These will be posted on a Thursday ready for a Saturday delivery.

Thank you for your continued support and have a restful weekend.

Kind regards **Mr. D. Wells**



Dates for Your Diary	Date
Harvest Food Bank Collection Week	Monday 7th October - Friday 11th October
Dress Down Day - Wear something yellow to school	Thursday 10 th October – World Mental Health Day – Young Minds
Woodpeckers Fabulous Finish Assembly	Tuesday 15th October @ 2.50pm
Nightingales Fabulous Finish Assembly	Wednesday 16th October @ 2.50pm
Kingfishers Fabulous Finish Assembly	Thursday 17th October @ 2.50pm
Family Portraits – Pre-booking only	Saturday 19 th October 2024 - Spaces still available
INSET Day	Friday 25th October 2024
Half Term Holidays	Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November
Whole School Outdoor Day	Thursday 7 th November (Details to follow)
Parent Forum	Thursday 7 th November
Odd Sock Day/Anti Bullying Day	Tuesday 12 th November (Details to follow)
Flu Nasal Vaccinations	Tuesday 19 th November (Letter to follow)
Author Visit	Monday 25 th November
No Pens Day	Wednesday 27 th November (Details to follow)
Christmas Holidays	Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January
INSET Day	Friday 14th February 2025
INSET Day	Monday 21st July 2025
INSET Day	Tuesday 22nd July 2025



Hot Topic - Attendance



Attendance will be a regular feature in our newsletters as it's important to share with you why good attendance matters. Research shows that absence from school, for whatever reason, can disadvantage a child by creating gaps in learning, which affect a child's ability to succeed.

As such, we have a dedicated team who monitor all absence thoroughly and all attendance data is shared with the Local Authority.

We will make contact with you and arrange a meeting if we have any concerns regarding your child's attendance. If your child's attendance level is falling towards 90%, then we will contact you directly to raise our concern. Please support us by giving your child the best opportunities through good attendance at school.

I have attached links to some useful documents available to explain the use of penalty notices.

Useful Links:

[Hampshire Guidance on Penalty Notices](#)
[Should your child go to school today](#) - Guidance for parents when a child is unwell.

Attendance Ladder



Penalty Notices - As set down by the Department for Education, Penalty Notices can be issued for unauthorised absence. In Hampshire, Penalty Notices are issued when a pupil has had 10 or more half-day sessions (equivalent to five school days) of unauthorised absence, in the last 10 school week period.

We are committed to providing an education of the highest quality and work together to secure this for all our children. Every child has a right to access the education to which he/she is entitled. Parents and teachers share the responsibility for supporting and promoting excellent school attendance and punctuality for all.

If you are considering any type of absence for your child/ren from school, **you must contact the school office** who will be able to send you the appropriate Hampshire County Council forms. We will then be able to register your child/ren correctly.





Safeguarding Newsletter

In today's ever-evolving technical world, keeping our pupils safe online is always at the forefront of our minds. As a school, we play a vital role in keeping our pupils safe online. Parents/carers also have an important role to play. We appreciate that it can be difficult to know exactly what you can do to help your children navigate this world safely – especially as changes and advances are happening all the time. Please read our 2nd monthly newsletter (attached) and refer any enquiries to a member of the senior leadership team.

Parent Drop in Sessions



Thank you for all your positive feedback, we are glad that you are enjoying the parent drop in sessions; **these will continue until the end of the autumn term.** Here is a reminder of the sessions:

Yr. R Marvellous Morning Jobs – Thursdays at 9.00am - 9.15am.

Yr. 1 Stay & Read - Fridays at 9.00am - 9.15am.

Yr. 2 Marvellous Morning Jobs – Mondays at 9.00am - 9.15am.

Recycling

If you have any textiles and shoes for our clothes bank please bring them in and pop them in our textile recycle bin located outside the main school office – Thank you!



NEW! GUITAR Lessons

Full details can be found at the end of the newsletter. To book please contact Tom Francis directly on: 07985374926 or e-mail: Tomlloydfrancis@gmail.com.



Gymnastic Festival

We are very proud of our KS1 children who took part in the Test Valley School Gymnastic Festival on Wednesday. They did incredibly well and won two awards; the Passion Award and the Respect Award; they were all encouraging each other, listening to each other and supporting each other to be the very best they can be.



Fabulous Finish Class Assemblies

You are invited to come and join us celebrating the children's learning and achievements throughout their class topic. Assemblies will start at 2.50pm and be no longer than 20 minutes.

Date	Year	Class	Time
Tuesday 15 th October	2	Woodpeckers	2.50pm
Wednesday 16 th October	2	Nightingales	2.50pm
Thursday 17 th October	2	Kingfishers	2.50pm
Tuesday 22 nd October	1	Owls	2.50pm
Wednesday 23 rd October	1	Robins	2.50pm
Thursday 24 th October	1	Hummingbirds	2.50pm
Tuesday 12 th November	R	Wrens	2.50pm
Wednesday 13 th November	R	Penguins	2.50pm
Thursday 14 th November	R	Sparrows	2.50pm



Fabulous Finish



Year 2 will soon celebrate their amazing learning this term through their Fabulous Finish Assemblies. Please see the dates above to check the dates for each class.

Each assembly will start at 2.50pm so please arrive at 2.40pm at the main office. Each assembly will be 20mins long so that will give you enough time go back out and wait on the playground for collection. We looking forward to seeing you soon.

Pupil Voice



On behalf of everybody at Cupernham Infant School, we would like to say a huge thank you and well done to all those children who took part in our pupil voice elections on Wednesday 2nd October. We are so very proud of every single one of you for standing up and reading out your speeches to everyone in your class. We can't wait for you to take on these amazing roles.

Parent Forum

Thank you to all those who attended the Parent Forum on Tuesday. I found it really useful to understand how we could best communicate with the wider community.

Later this half term, I will be sharing our parent communication strategy with you so you know exactly how we will be communicating with you, on what platform and what to look out for.

Next parent forum is Thursday 7th November to discuss strategies to support parents with their children's learning.

Harvest



Please remember to bring in your contributions for our Harvest Collection next week. All donations will be sent to our local Food bank, supporting so many families across Romsey.



ASDA Cashpot for Schools



Please opt in through the Asda Rewards app and choose our primary school between 2nd September and 30th November 2024 to earn money for our school.

Many thanks for your support.



Family Portraits



We still have spaces available for the family portraits on Saturday 19th October in the morning. Please call the School Office on 01794 514494 to book a place.



Reminder



Please ensure you respect our neighbours by parking and driving safely around our site. **Also, the junior and infant school car parks are for staff only.**

Mornings can be a hectic time. Please make sure your child is safely dropped off at the classroom door. Thank you.

We have had a number of our residence call us upset and informing us of parents parking in front of their driveway and garages— Please do not park in front of their garages. The local traffic patrol officers have been instructed to regularly patrol the area around both exits of school.



Useful Support and Helplines

Times are difficult at the moment and we want to let you that you are 'Never Alone'. This information has been put together by a number of professional services, highlighting the key agencies that may be able to offer help, support and advice when needed. In addition to this, please visit our new [Parent Support Pages](#) on our website for further support.

NEVER ALONE

NSPCC 0808 800 5000 (24hrs)	National Domestic Abuse Helpline 0808 2000 247 (24hrs free)
Mind 0300 123 3393 (Mon-Fri 9-6)	Victim Support 0808 168 9111 (24hrs)
Cruse Bereavement 0800 808 1677 (Mon-Fri 9-5)	ChildLine 0800 1111 (24hrs)
Action on Elder Abuse 0808 808 8141 (Mon-Fri 9-5)	Respect - Men's Advice Line 0808 801 0327 (Mon-Fri 9-5 or 8pm)
Samaritans 116 123 (24hrs free)	National Centre for Domestic Violence 0207 186 8270



Don't forget to let us know if there any changes to your contact details.



Guitar Lessons

Thursdays

£10 per child per group session

£12 per child per individual session

Join us for a great introduction to playing a melodic instrument. Playing guitar can reduce anxiety and stress, whilst also developing children's memory and creativity

1:1 and group lessons available.

During our sessions, your child will:

- Learn the basics of guitar
- Focus on hand/eye coordination
- learn how to playing with a plectrum and finger picking
- Have a fun way to learn and express yourself

About me – Tom Francis

I am passionate about guitar and have over 12 years of playing experience. With professional experience as both a Session Musician and a Gigging Musician throughout both Dorset and Hampshire.

For enquiries or further information, please call 07985374926 or e-mail tomloydfrancis@gmail.com



YOUR SPORTS EDUCATION

OCTOBER HOLIDAY CLUB 2024



- OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:
- FOOTBALL DARTS INFLATABLE
 - YOGA
 - AIR TRACK GAMES
 - SILLY SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS
 - CAPTURE THE FLAG
 - DAILY SPORTING CHALLENGES
 - PRIZES TO BE GIVEN AWAY
 - SKELETON HUNT
 - SMOOTHIE MAKING
 - HALLOWEEN PARTY GAMES

28TH OCTOBER - 1ST NOV
ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

	MORNING	AFTERNOON
MON	GYMNASTICS/ TRAMPOLINING	NINJA WARRIOR COURSE
TUE	FOOTBALL/SPOOKY FLAGS	PIZZA MAKING/ SPOOKY GAMES
WED	MINI OLYMPICS	HALLOWEEN CRAFTS/ DEN BUILDING
THU	PARACHUTE/ FUN FIT CIRCUITS	BIKES & SCOOTERS/ BREAD MAKING
FRI	DODEBGALL/ VEG CRAFTS	DISCO DOME/ SCAVENGER HUNT

BOOK NOW

CALL OR EMAIL TO BOOK YOUR CHILD A PLACE THIS SCHOOL HOLIDAY

TEAM@YOURSPORTSEDUCATION.CO.UK

07801731022

YOUR SPORTS EDUCATION ARE TEAMING UP WITH ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL TO OFFER A HOLIDAY CLUB FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR 1 TO YEAR 8 AND A MORNING SPORTS CLUB FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR R. WE OFFER A RANGE OF DIFFERENT SPORTS BOTH MORNING AND AFTERNOON. PACKED LUNCHES ARE REQUIRED FOR BOTH HALF DAY AND FULL DAY

YEAR 1 - YEAR 8 CHILDREN	YEAR R CHILDREN
FULL DAY £27.50 8:30-4:30	MORNING ONLY £16.50 9:00-13:00
HALF DAY £16.50 8:30-13:00 OR 12:15-4:30	

DISCOUNTED PRICE FOR THE WHOLE WEEK IS 10% IF PAID IN ADVANCE. 10% SIBLING DISCOUNT IS AVAILABLE FOR SECOND/ THIRD CHILD

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

FOOTBALL	CRAFTS	TRAMPOLINING	CRICKET	BIKE	DODGEBALL
SILLY SCIENCE	GYMNASTICS	SCOOTER	DEN BUILDING	AIR TRACK	CAPTURE THE FLAG

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