



## Headteacher Newsletter 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

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Key Dates:	
8 <sup>th</sup> December – HSPTA Elfridges	18 <sup>th</sup> December - class parties
11 <sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper day	19 <sup>th</sup> December – HSPTA Santa Dash and last day of term
11 <sup>th</sup> December – Christmas lunch	5 <sup>th</sup> January- INSET day
15 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> – Christmas performances	6 <sup>th</sup> January – first day of term

Communications this week:	
After School Clubs – Spring Term	Christmas Lunch
Leg it to Lapland	Ordering School Lunches
Y2 DT	Chandlers Ford Library Holiday Festivities
Soton CC – Holiday Activities	

Dear Parents & Carers,

I have seen and heard rehearsals in full swing this week! Make sure you have requested your tickets, the children are really looking forward to performing to an audience! Routines are all a bit different over the next couple of weeks and we know many children will find some of these changes challenging. Staff know the children well and will be supporting children in managing these changes within the school day.

The children have loved engaging within different play projects today linked to different subjects and learning across the year groups. This is an opportunity to apply their learning and understanding within a range of creative ways for example junk modelling, planning, drawing and construction. I have seen children working effectively in teams and independently with their ideas.

### Leg it to Lapland

Separate communication has come out today about our 'Leg it to Lapland' challenge next week. Join us to virtually travel the 1385 miles to Lapland! Every active journey to school equates to 2 miles travelled. We will be racing other schools across Hampshire for the chance to win a scooter stunt display and skills sessions for our school from former world champion Terry Price!

### Lost Property

We have a lot of lost property building up and we will have this out on tables before and after the Christmas performances in the last week of term. If your child is missing anything please make sure you take a look!

### Learners of the Week

<b>Year R</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>
Nella	Anaya	Sage
Finn	Harsukh	Thomas
Matilda	Harper	Arthur
Isaac	Anvitha	Felix
Harrison	Yilin	Cecily
Ellie	Jack	Charlie

### Clubs

We are really excited to be opening up the next term of after school club bookings over the weekend. The communication has been sent separately today with all the information on the range of clubs on offer and this term we have a new club open to Year 2 children which is recorders.

## Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day!

A reminder that it is Christmas lunch on Thursday next week which coincides with our Christmas jumper day. There will be no jacket potato or pasta option on this day, all allergies will be catered for within the Christmas lunch menu.

## Play Projects in Action!



## Update from the Governors

An introduction by Steve Mursell. I am the newly elected Chair of the governing body and I have a long association with both schools where both of my grown up children and two of my grandchildren have attended the schools.

By way of summary to the start of the new term it is remarkable how all children settle quickly in to the routines of the school and how happy they are to be at school.

First of all, governors are delighted with the Year R outside area and it is a delight to see the children enjoying this space. It was a significant investment for the school but governors are in no doubt that it is part of the attractive offering of the school to prospective parents. The school remains full and based on feedback received so far we anticipate the school to be full in September 2026 which is vital to the school budget.

At governor meetings this term governors received data on phonics and early years development, where the school out-performs other schools nationally and across Hampshire. From across the range of data available the school and governors have identified areas where the school can improve still further with governors continuing their monitoring activities in these areas.

Governors have continued to closely monitor the school budget and are pleased to report that the school remains in a good financial position and will continue to push forward with essential spending on school resources and to push forward with investments in the fabric of the school.

We are fast approaching the end of the autumn term and on behalf of the governing body I wish you all seasons greetings.

Steve Mursell Chair of Governors

Have a wonderful weekend

Kind Regards

Phillippa Longman

