

# Welcome back

Dear Parents.

Welcome back to the start of another great school year. For those new parents joining us in Year R and across the rest of the school a very big welcome to you. I hope that your child's first few days have been enjoyable ones.

The children have settled into class amazingly well. The atmosphere around the school is brilliant and the children have already started impressing their teachers with their great attitude to learning.

You may have heard talk in the news about the new curriculum that has been introduced this September. For Infant school children there is not a great deal of difference. There are slightly different expectations in English and Maths but in other subjects there is very little change. All the staff at the school have worked on this new curriculum last year and the children will not notice any difference.

If you ever have any questions or worries about your child's education or something that has happened we are here to listen and to support. We don't have a magic wand but I do promise we will always do our best.

# **Upcoming events**

### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September

Non uniform day for the Family Fun Day

# Sunday 28th September 11:00am to 3:00pm

Family Fun Day Year 1 and 2 singing at 1:00pm

#### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Special Lunch and Non-uniform day 9:10am Harvest Assembly

#### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Year 1Ttrip to Laverstoke Farm

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 3:30-6pm & Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 4-7pm Parents Evening

27<sup>th</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> October Half term

## **Free School Dinners**



The new government scheme for school dinners is now well under way. As parents you do not have to do anything. There are no special forms to fill out just send your child into school and either let them choose the dinner they want or let them know the dinner you would like them to have.

As well as the menus we send home there are menus up in the class for the children to choose from. If you need additional menus please do ask at the school office. You can also see the menus with pictures at <a href="http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hc3s/hc3s-primary/primarymenu.htm">http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hc3s/hc3s-primary/primarymenu.htm</a>

If you would like to know more about school dinners or how we help the children and check how much they are eating, please come and talk to us.

# Non Uniform Day Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September

On the 19<sup>th</sup> September we will be having a non-uniform day to help us raise money for the Family Fun Day the following Sunday.

The children can come in their own clothes that Friday, all we ask is that they bring in a small donation to be sold at the Fun Day. FoBS would very much like

- Bottles (wine or spirits)
- Bears (Any soft toys)

## **Harvest**



On the 2<sup>nd</sup> October at we are having a Harvest non-school uniform day. On this day the children can have a special school lunch in celebration of our harvest festival, letters to follow.

We will be having our traditional harvest festival at 9:10am this day where we will be collecting donations of food to give to local charities.

In the afternoon all the children will be doing different cooking activities. If you would like to come and support your child and their class with this please come and talk to your class teacher.

# Stories, Songs and Rhymes sessions for pre-school children

Every Monday 2.30 – 3pm starting Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September in the school Library. Come to the main school office.

Come and share stories together, borrow books and have lots of fun singing together.

For more information talk to the class teacher or see Mrs Burningham (ask in Year R for her).

## **Messy Play**

Every Thursday 2-3pm starting Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September in the school Hall. Come to the main school office.



Have fun with painting and craft activities for parents and pre-school children.

For more information come and talk to Mrs
Burningham (ask in Year R for her).

## **Library Opening Event**

Over the summer we have had a complete makeover of our school Library. The aim was to turn the library from a space to store books into a wonderful space to want to come and read books.

We would love it if you could join us for the official opening of our new library at **3:15pm on Monday 22**<sup>nd</sup> **September.** We will be providing cakes and drinks and giving you the opportunity to start taking books home.

The Library will then be open every morning from 8:30am until 8:45am and every evening from 3:15pm.

During this time you can use the library in the same way you would a public library. Children can choose and scan out books to take home daily if they would like. We are also happy for younger siblings to choose books to borrow. Even if you choose not to take books home the library is available just to come and sit in and read (this could be especially useful on a rainy day!).