

# Newsletter

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# First two weeks' back

It has been a really good couple of weeks with having all the children back. We have been watching the children carefully and they have settled back into the routine remarkably well. That is a huge credit to the team effort parents and teachers put in over lockdown.

We are still working out what additional measures we need to put in to support the children's learning for the Summer Term. We will be adding in extra reading sessions for all children from next week and will be adapting our curriculum further to focus on those key skills we have identified as being crucial for the children moving up to the next year.

I know many parents are worried about the effect lockdown has had, please don't be. All the children are in the same situation and we will get them back to where they need to be, it will just take a bit of time. The important thing is that they are happy and keen to come to school, happy children can learn so we are all doing a great job.

With only having the children back for a short period of time we won't be doing a Parents Evening this term. We will do Parents Evening and written reports next term when we will have more meaningful things to say other than they have settled back really well. It will also enable Mrs Clayden and Mrs Alexander to talk to their parents when they are back in school.

For parents in Elephants and Zebras, while not 100% official yet it is looking very likely that Mrs Clayden and Mrs Alexander will be allowed back to school after Easter. We are just waiting on the official government shielding announcement.

Please remember we are still here by phone or email if you need anything or you have any concerns.

# Mrs Edney

As a school we are incredibly sad to announce that Mrs Edney our fantastic School Secretary will be leaving us at Easter. Mrs Edney has been at the school for over 28 years and has been the first point of contact for many parents coming to our school.

As our Secretary she has helped so many people sort out admission issues, uniform, money, school dinners and so much more. She has helped so many children in her role as First Aider, from patching up grazed knees to dealing with the occasional broken bone, she has also looked after numerous staff and a couple of parents as well.

It is no exaggeration to say that her dedication and hard work has helped to ensure that the school runs smoothly and that her leaving will be a huge loss to the school. We will miss her terribly. We know that you will join all of the staff and the children in wishing Mrs Edney good luck for the future.



# Stars of the Week



12<sup>th</sup> March

Grace Hankin
Dominik
Fiedukiewicz
Teddy Alexander
Ellie-Mae Hilton
Ted Calf
Charlie Smith

19<sup>th</sup> March

Marcel
Balcerowski
Maddie George
Arabella Smith
Joshua Fryer
Charlie Sutton
Claire Brum
Bettencourt
Gomes

### Sore hands

We know some children are getting sore hands due to washing them repeatedly. Please spend a bit of time teaching your child how to dry their hands fully as we believe this is the main cause. We are having some parents send in different soaps for their children but we cannot manage each child in the school having their own soap bottle, we are sorry about that but 30 soap bottles in class is beyond us. If your child has a medical condition, please talk to us and we will do all we can to support them.

# **Vacancies**

### School Secretary

We are currently looking for a new School Secretary. The hours will be from 8:15am to 3:45pm with an hour break for lunch, at £9.81 - £10.34 per hour, term time only. The role requires excellent IT skills and very good personal skills, as the role is the first point of contact for the school. No prior experience is needed, all training will be provided.

#### School Cleaner

We are looking for a School Cleaner to do 10 hours a week either in the morning or after school. Rates of pay will be £9.25 - £9.43 per hour term time mostly, with some work in the school holidays.

#### Caretaker

We are looking to recruit a new Caretaker to do 10 hours a week. Rates of pay will be £9.81 - £10.34 per hour term time mostly, with work taking place in the school holidays. The role requires a highly organised person who can manage the Health and Safety checks the school needs and can organise with the school building maintenance team any maintenance the school needs. No prior experience or DIY skills are needed, all training will be provided.

## LSA

Following the latest lockdown, we are looking to recruit an additional LSA to support the recovery work the children will need over the next few years. We will be advertising this job after the Easter holidays. If you would like any further information about what we are looking for please get in touch.

To support our staff free Breakfast and Afterschool Club places are available for all staff members.

If you are interested in any of these roles please contact Karon Mitchell our School Business Manager by email on <a href="mailto:k.mitchell@bordon-inf.hants.sch.uk">k.mitchell@bordon-inf.hants.sch.uk</a>

Full job packs will be available by the end of next week and we will send the packs out to any interested person as soon as they are ready. It is possible to combine some of these roles to give someone enough hours to make a bigger job.

If you would like to know any more about the above roles then please email or phone Mr Greenhalgh.