

Newsletter No. 1 Friday 7th Sept 18 July



# Weekly Newsletter Hand in Hand Achieving Together

### Our first week

This week has been super! The children have come back to school looking smart and ready to learn. I have found the school a very welcoming and positive place. New staff and pupils have settled in really well.

I am really pleased to have had the opportunity to look at the 'matchbox' task for the holidays—it has been great for the staff to find out what the children have been up to! The Matchbox Diaries text has really inspired the children and there are some wonderful examples of writing as well as fascinating mementoes of the summer break. Messages from the classroom have been coming in:

### Year R

Well done to our lovely new starters on completing their first week. They have all settled amazingly and have quickly got to grips with new routines, made new friends and had lots of fun along the way.

## Year 1

We are very impressed with how the new year ones are settling in and coping with more structured routines.

Year 2 have started their science topic by looking for minibeasts in the flowerbeds and on the field.

**Year 3** have enjoyed the experience of crawling through tunnels (indoors and outdoors) stemming from their class text -The Tunnel, by Anthony Browne. They have also been learning about shapes and solving tangram puzzles.

**Year 4** have been recreating the water cycle process with a bowl of water, dry container and cling film.

**Year 5** had a lot of fun during a survival skills day as a hook day for our topic and literacy text.

**Year 6** were busy learning through a circus workshop and showed their skills to their parents.

# Message to all parents

Thank you to all of you who came to my afternoon tea. I will let you know of the date of the first Parent Voice meeting soon. The school council have voted for the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance to be the school's local charity for the year.

Please note from the last newsletter of the year, we have **cancelled** the planned INSET on 25th February and moved the end of the school year to Friday 19th July, this will allow us to complete all our statutory training that is required.

With best wishes, Mrs Nicolson



# **Dates For Your Diary -2018/19**

19/10/18 INSET day
22-25/10/18 Half Term week
29/10/18 INSET day
24/12 –04/01/19 Christmas Break
18-22/02/19 Half Term week
25/02/19 INSET day CANCELLED
08-22/04/19 Easter Break
06/05/19 Spring Bank Holiday
27-31/05/19 Half Term week
19/07/19 Last day of term
22-23/07/19 INSET days

## **Dinner Money**

Please send dinner money into school in a named envelope at the beginning of the week next term.

I have been really impressed by the time keeping this week. The gates will be shut at 8.55 to ensure lessons start promptly, please keep up this good start.

ATTENDANCE Classes of the Week this week are Colfer and Palcio class with 99.43% Whole school attendance 96.85- target 96%.