

Netley Abbey Junior School

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As we enter our final term in this academic year, all the children are working incredibly hard and I am extremely proud of all their achievements.

The Grow a Pound markets are proving very popular after school every Tuesday, with our students taking part in the project selling lots of tempting things.

This week we enjoyed celebrating the musical talent of our pupils in the summer music concert. It was a joy to listen all the musical instruments, summer choir club and the STOMP showcase.

As part of their History subject, Year 5 children had a very enjoyable day in Winchester yesterday visiting the Cathedral and learning about the city of Winchester.

Tomorrow our pupils have been invited to sing, along with the Infant school, at St Edward's Summer Fair. The children have been working extremely hard to learn their songs and this is a lovely opportunity to share them with the local community.

Dinner and Trip Money

Please can we request that all money handed into the school for dinners, trips etc. is put into a **named envelope**.

Thank you

Leave of Absence from School

We would like to remind all parents that a 'Leave of Absence Form' must be completed for all leave of absence requests.

These forms are available at the school office.

Water Bottles - Drink to Think!

Please ensure your child brings in a named water bottle to school every day. This is especially important during the summer months. Drinking water throughout the day keeps children hydrated which in turn increases brain activity. It also prevents headaches. Children are encouraged to refill their bottles during the school day.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Fraser Portraits Photos

Orders must be returned to the school office no later than **Monday 18th June** with full payment. Please make cheques payable to Fraser Portraits Ltd. If paying by cash it must be the exact money as no change will be given. Orders can also be done online www.fraserportraits.com

Late orders placed after the deadline must be done online and a £4.00 postage fee will be added to the order and photographs will be returned to your home address.

Thank you.

School Times - Reminder

We have recently noticed some children arriving on site before 8.30am.

Please be reminded that **no children** should be on site before 8.30am, the doors open at 8.40am and the teachers will remain at the door until 8.45am. Children must be sat down and ready for registration by 8.50am.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Free School Meal Eligibility Update

This is to advise parents about recent changes to free school meals eligibility under Universal Credit. As you may be aware, Universal Credit will be replacing many benefits, e.g. jobseekers allowance, that currently entitle children of qualifying parents to free school meals. In light of this, the Department for Education has introduced new criteria for free school meals eligibility, with all families in receipt of Universal Credit and earning an annual income of £7,400 or lower entitled to free school meals.

From 1 April 2018, all existing free school meals claimants will continue to receive free school meals whilst Universal Credit is rolled out (currently scheduled to complete in March 2022). This will apply even if their circumstances change and their earnings rise above the new threshold during the rollout period. In addition, any child who gains eligibility for free school meals after 1 April 2018 (e.g. in July 2019), will also continue to receive free school meals during the Universal Credit rollout period. This protection is referred to as transitional protection.

Once Universal Credit is fully rolled out, any existing claimants that no longer meet the eligibility criteria at that point (because they are earning above the threshold or are no longer a recipient of Universal Credit) will continue to receive free school meals until the end of their current phase of education (i.e. primary or secondary).

All local authorities have access to the Department's Eligibility Checking System (ECS), which provides a simple and rapid online portal for determining households' eligibility for free school meals, and other early education entitlements. Maintained schools, academies and free schools are all able to use the ECS through local authorities.

If a parent feels that the result returned by the ECS is inaccurate, they may provide the equivalent paper-based evidence to their local authority who must then complete a manual check. Manual checks will also be required for parents who are self-employed and claiming Universal Credit.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

Thank you.

Gardening Club

Please note there will be no Gardening Club on Thursday 21st June due to the school discos.

Thank you.

Pupil Voice

This section is written by groups of children within our school and the following report is from Year 5 about swimming.

During the summer term, Year 5 have been improving their swimming abilities by taking short journeys to The Hamble School every Monday. At Hamble, the children are being taught by a professional swimming instructor. Each student has been placed into groups suitable for their capabilities.

In the beginners group, the children have been persevering to learn how to swim by wearing armbands and swimming with a woggle.

The intermediate group have also been using a woggle and improving their kicking skills.

The confident swimmers are told the different things they complete in their lane and have also improved in more complex swimming strokes.

Overall, Year 5 have progressed massively and have been stretched out of their comfort zone.

India and Yasmin

Special Mentions

Over the last few weeks our school value has focused on 'Democracy'. Congratulations to the following children who were all awarded a Special Mention.

Alfie (Sellwood)	Isaac (Grange)
Grace (Westwood)	Douglas (Castle)
Reggie (Moore)	Matilda (Denzil)
Amelia (Wykeham)	Marty (Priory)
Xing (Seaview)	Keira (Heath)
Lucas (Beach)	Kyra (Crescent)
Jaime-Leigh (Crescent)	Kayra (Sellwood)
Oliver (Grange)	Kyle (Westwood)
Harrison (Moore)	Alfie (Seaview)
Grace (Priory)	Joshua (Denzil)
Alfie (Heath)	Grace (Wykeham)
Brayden (Beach)	Peyton (Castle)

Lower School Music Concerts

Please see below for the dates of your child's music concert.

Tuesday 10th July 2018 - Samba Concert at 9.15am (Priory and Grange)

Thursday 12th July 2018 - Recorder Concert at 9.15am (Denzil and Castle)

Thursday 12th July 2018 - Keyboard Concert at 2.30pm (Seaview and Westwood)

For the afternoon concert only - if you would like to take your child home after the concert they must be signed out at reception, as long as the adult collecting them is on the contact list.

If they are not, please let the office know in advance, the name of the person collecting them.

Thank you.

Increase in School Meal Price

Please be aware there will be an increase in the school meal price from £2.15 to £2.30 with effect from 1st September 2018.

Thank you.

Allergies Reminder- School Dinners and Snacks

Can we please remind all parents that we have children in school with the following allergies:-

Nuts, sesame and legumes

These allergies can be triggered from indirect contact i.e. touching areas where the products have been.

Please consider carefully when providing your child with a snack or a packed lunch.

The following foods should **NOT** be brought into school:

- **sesame topped buns, seeded bread and humous**
- **nut based products (i.e. chocolate spreads with nut products, cereal bars and cakes containing nuts)**
- **peas, broad beans, lentils, chickpeas, French beans, butter beans, haricot beans, kidney beans, sugar snap peas, pulses, soybeans and soya.**

The health and safety of all children in school is a high priority and trust that you will support the school to ensure that it is a safe environment for all and thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Royal Victoria Country Park

On Sunday 20th May 2018 Royal Victoria Country Park hosted an event raising awareness of dementia, 'Reminiscence in the Park.'

The event was opened by Peter Hull, the para-olympian. The event was an interactive fun filled day for the family to raise awareness of dementia. There was musical entertainment, hands on activities – colouring, painting and plant pot making, health checks and information stalls. The event was supported by over 1000 local people. We hope to work in partnership again next year to continue to raise awareness of dementia. It was sponsored by SCA (Social Care in Action), Netley Court and BP. It was supported by Bursledon, Hamble and Hound Dementia Awareness Group, the Alzheimers Society, Royal Victoria Country Park – Hampshire County Council, Hampshire Constabulary and Eastleigh Borough Council.

As part of the event local schools in Hamble, Netley and Bursledon were invited to enter a colouring competition. The entries were judged by the Mayor and Mayoress of Eastleigh, Councillor Bruce Tennent and Maria Tennent. First prize was awarded to Rachel from Netley Abbey Junior School. The runner up prizes went to Ruby and Imogen from Netley Abbey Infant School.

The photo shows Rachel receiving her prize from Michele Meek, Heritage and Community Engagement Officer at Royal Victoria Country Park during a school assembly. Photo taken by Justyn Willsmore from BP. For more information or to become involved next year please contact either Michele Meek at Royal Victoria Country Park, michele.meek@hants.gov.uk or Alison Fisher from Bursledon, Hamble and Hound Dementia Awareness Group, bhhdag@outlook.com



Armed Forces Day

Free fun for all the family!

Saturday 30th June

10.30am - 4pm

Royal Victoria Country Park, Netley Abbey

Re-enactors, museum and heritage stands, music, charity stalls, family activities, carriage rides, guided walks and 1940s swing dance.

Please visit the website for more information

www.hants.gov.uk/rvcp

Sports News

Upper School Gymnastics Key Steps Competition - Thursday 7th June at Berrywood School

It was the first time that we have been invited to this event and a debut for Upper School gymnastics. The team were selected at trials held earlier in the term because they had shown good vaulting and body management skills, both essential for the two disciplines required in the event.

Although very nervous to take the floor, the girls performed really well. In the vault we demonstrated good control and flight. Great performances were also shown in the floor routine, scoring us some exceptionally high marks.

Josie and Ella scored joint 1st place for the Body Management floor routine, with a special commendation for their control. They also were ranked joint first place as individual gymnasts, out of 24. As a team however, we narrowly came 3rd, with a very small deficit of 1.2 points from 1st place, a superb first attempt girls!

The team - Josie, Summer, Ella, Daisy, Jessica and Paige.



Kwik Cricket Competitions

Over the last two weeks, both Year 5 boys and girls have taken part in Kwik Cricket competitions against other schools in the area. Although the sport was new to a lot of the children, they all competed really well and had a lot of fun. They made massive progress across the games they played with several runs being scored. A special mention must go to Amelia who took two wickets in the final over of a match to get the girls a fantastic victory.

Boys team - Alfie, Charlie, Sam, Juandean, Michael, Oliver, Thomas, Ben, Aaron.

Girls team - Amelia, Olivia, Alisha, Maisie, Holly, Josie, Tammy and Mia.

Mrs Kenway - P.E. Leader

School Dinner Menu

A copy of the latest lunch menu can be found on our website:

http://netleyabbey-jun.hants.sch.uk/our_school/letters/whole-school-letters/

Special Diets - School Menu

HC3S can provide special diets for pupils with allergies who want to have a school meal, but medical evidence confirming the child's allergy is required, for example a letter from a GP or consultant paediatrician. If your child has a special dietary requirement, please contact Mrs Parmiter in the School Office.

Letters Home

Please note that letters home to parents are put on our school website. Should you need to refer to any letters, please check the website first on www.netleyabbey-jun.hants.sch.uk

Thank you.

Useful Website Links

School website: <http://netleyabbey-jun.hants.sch.uk/>

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Dates for Your Diary

Saturday 16 th June 2018	- Singing at St Edward's Church Summer Fayre at 1pm
Tuesday 19 th June 2018	- Grow a Pound Market at 3.30pm
Thursday 21 st June 2018	- Summer School Disco at 4.45pm (Lower School) & at 6pm (Upper School)
Friday 22 nd June 2018	- Non-Uniform Day
Saturday 23 rd June 2018	- FONAJIS & FONAIS Summer Fayre at 12noon
Monday 25 th June 2018	- Inset Day
Tuesday 26 th June 2018	- Grow a Pound Market at 3.30pm
Thursday 28 th June 2018	- Sports Day
Thursday 28 th June 2018	- New Parents' Meeting at 7pm
Tuesday 3 rd July 2018	- Transition Day
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Wednesday 4 th July 2018	- Transition Day
Tuesday 10 th July 2018	- Samba Concert at 9.15am (Priory and Grange)
Tuesday 10 th July 2018	- Fairthorne Information Evening at 3.30pm
Tuesday 10 th July 2018	- Year 6 Production at 6pm
Wednesday 11 th July 2018	- Year 6 Production at 9.30am
Thursday 12 th July 2018	- Recorder Concert at 9.15am (Denzil and Castle)
Thursday 12 th July 2018	- Keyboard Concert at 2.30pm (Seaview and Westwood)
Thursday 12 th July 2018	- Year 6 Production at 6pm
Friday 13 th July 2018	- Golden Day
Monday 16 th July 2018	- Year 4 Minstead Residential Trip Week
Friday 20 th July 2018	- Break up for the Summer Holidays at 1.15pm
Monday 23 rd July 2018	- Inset Day

Advance Inset Days and Early Closures 2017/2018

Monday 25th June 2018 - Inset Day
Friday 20th July 2018 - Finish at 1.15pm
Monday 23rd July 2018 - Inset Day

Advance Inset Days 2018/2019

Monday 3rd September 2018 - Inset Day
Monday 29th October 2018 - Inset Day
Monday 25th February 2019 - Inset Day
Friday 28th June 2019 - Inset Day
Monday 1st July 2019 - Inset Day

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