

Netley Abbey Junior School

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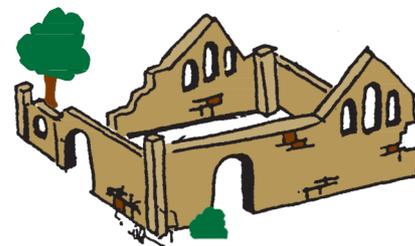
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Newsletter 15th September 2017

Welcome to our first newsletter for the Autumn term and I hope you all enjoyed the Summer break with your families. Year 6 enjoyed a fantastic 4 days at Fairthorne Manor last week, taking on new challenges and working together as a team. I would like to thank all of the staff involved as residential trips cannot go ahead without their support.

Our new Year 3 children are settling in very well, finding their way around and are working very hard to master all of the new routines they are faced with as Juniors. I would like to congratulate them all.

Years 4 and 5 have come back exhibiting excellent learning behaviours and attitudes, as well as being wonderful buddies to our new Year 3.

Dropping Off Children in the Mornings

Please can we remind parents no stopping or dropping children off at the school gates and at the Grange Road entrance - this can be dangerous to pedestrians and other road users.

Thank you.

Emergency Contact Changes

Have you changed your emergency contact details such as your phone number or your email address? If so, please let the school office know as soon as possible. Likewise, if anyone on your child's contact list has changed their details, we would like to know as soon as possible. Thank you.

Head lice

We have received several reports recently of head lice. Please can we ask all parents to check their child's hair on a regular basis and have attached an information sheet for further advice.

Thank you.

Naming Uniform and Personal Items

Please can you make sure that all clothing, bags, water bottles and lunchboxes are clearly marked with your child's name. Much inconvenience, time wasting and distress will be avoided if this is done.

Thank you.

School Dinners

Please ensure all dinner money is paid on a Monday morning in a named envelope. If you haven't already registered for online payments, which is our preferred method of payment, please contact the school office.

We are moving towards a cashless system and request that parents use our online payment facility.

Please note that if dinners are ordered by mistake, these will still need paying for. If your child goes home unwell but a dinner has already been ordered, again, it will still need to be paid for unless we are able to cancel it in time with the kitchen which is usually before 10am.

Tuck Shop

We would like to remind all parents that children are only allowed to bring in a maximum of 80p per day for the tuck shop. This is enough money for them to buy one item of food and one drink per day.

Please remind your child/children that it is their responsibility to look after their money and they must not share it with other pupils.

Please encourage your child to bring in a healthy snack such as fruit - crisps, chocolate, chewing gum and nuts are not allowed.

Thank you for your co-operation.

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.

Medical Appointments

Please be reminded that we require supporting medical evidence for the following:

- Doctors' appointments
- Dental appointments
- Orthodontist appointments
- Eye tests/appointments
- All hospital/medical appointments and referrals

Leave of Absence

We also require supporting evidence at the time of request. This could include letters regarding sporting competitions, evidence for re-scheduled holidays, letters from employers etc.

Attendance and Punctuality

We would like to remind all parents that Hampshire County Council's policy on attendance and punctuality remains unchanged and legal action could be taken for the following:-

- If a child has unauthorised absence for 10 or more half-day sessions in any 10 school week period.
- If a child is continually late to school and this lateness is unauthorised for 10 or more sessions in any 10 school week period.
 - If a child has any unauthorised absence during any formal examinations, assessment or testing.
- A child who is continually late can have their marks recorded as unauthorised and any absence which is subsequently deemed to be untruthful can also be unauthorised.

All leave of absence must be requested **in advance** on the County's leave of absence form, which is available from the school office. Leave will only be granted in 'exceptional circumstances'.

Parent Helpers

We greatly value parent help for a variety of lessons, including technology, cookery and art lessons as well as for hearing children read and working with small groups of children in all lessons. Please let your child's teacher know if you can spare us some time to come into school to help in any way.

Thank you.

Water Bottles

Please can you ensure that your child has a named water bottle with them in school everyday. Many children suffer from headaches when de-hydrated and this can also affect their concentration levels.

Thank you.

Mobile Phones - Reminder

This is a reminder that all mobile phones must be handed into the school office first thing in the morning and to only bring them into school if absolutely necessary. They should be in a named case or pouch.

Thank you.

Going Home Arrangements

Can we please remind all parents that if your child is being picked up by anyone other than on the contact list, you advise the school office/class teacher by telephone, an email or a written note.

This will save us making phone calls home to check arrangements.

Thank you.

Outdoor Clothing

As the weather is very changeable during the Autumn term, please can we ask that children bring a rain jacket or suitable coat into school everyday to keep them warm and dry during breaktime/lunchtime.

Can we also request that all children have a navy blue or black long sleeved jumper or tracksuit which can be worn for PE when it is chilly outside.

Thank you.

The SSE Women's FA Cup Final

The SSE Women's FA Cup Final is being held on Saturday 5th May 2018 at Wembley Stadium. This is a wonderful opportunity to be part of the most family friendly game to be hosted at the stadium, with thousands of children, parents, schools and junior football clubs all in attendance. Tickets for the event are £15 for adults, with children under 16 free of charge.

Discounted group rates are also available for schools and groups of twelve or more so if any parent is interested in this event, please leave you details with the school office and Mrs Kenway will contact you with further details in due course.

Under 10s Football

On Tuesday 12th September, our under 10s Boys Football Team played at Berrywood Primary School. The team played an excellent first round and won in their group. They went onto play in the semi-finals but unfortunately lost to current winners Fair Oak in penalties.

Player of the match was Dylan Birks for super goal keeping!

Well done to our brilliant team: Dylan Birks, Thomas Davies, Harrison Gyergyak, Ali Sattan, Sam Wadley, Fletcher Wickens, Oliver Solway, Reggie Buckland and Ollie Beale.

Extra-Curricular Activities

The following after school clubs have already started and other activities are currently being organised. A letter will be sent out shortly giving full details of all clubs and activities, so please keep an eye open for the sign-up sheet.

Monday - Supernova Gymnastics

Tuesday - Lee Davis Multi Sports (starts 19th Sept)

Wednesday - JEM Tennis & Taekwondo

Thursday - InterGr8 Dance

Friday - Chelsea Football

Online Safety Group - WE NEED YOU!

As you will all be aware, keeping our children safe online is a growing area of concern for both schools and parents. We are in the process of setting up an online safety group at the school, which we intend will help us to shape our procedures and help the wider community to be aware and equipped in this area.

The group will include representatives from the school and wider community, including a parent voice (as well as students at some meetings). We would meet roughly every half term and we anticipate that the role of parent(s) would be to raise parental and community issues and concerns and help to ensure that advice and initiatives are spread throughout the community.

We really need YOU! If you think you could help, please contact the school and let us know of any ideas you might have to get us started, particularly in getting the word in from and out to parents! Even if you wouldn't wish to be the parent representative, please do let us know of any concerns.

Thank you in anticipation!

Bethan Davis

Specialist Computing Teacher (and group coordinator)

Year 4 Residential Trip to Minstead

There are still a few spaces left for the Summer Term Year 4 residential trip to Minstead Study Centre. This is a fantastic opportunity for your child to spend two nights away from home, developing their independence and taking part in a range of outdoor activities. This trip is always thoroughly enjoyed by the children.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please see Miss Hansell.

To reserve a space, please contact the school office.

The Hamble School Open Events

Thursday 21st September 2017 - Open Evening 5.30pm to 8pm

Tuesday 26th September 2017 - Open Morning at 9am or 11.30am

Thursday 28th September 2017 - Open Morning at 9am or 11.30am

Please contact the school for more information and to book a place Tel 023 8045 2105

The Gregg School Open Events

Wednesday 20th September 2017 - Open Morning 9.30am to 12noon

Wednesday 4th October 2017 - Open Evening 5.30pm to 8.30pm

Please contact the school for more information and to book a place Tel 023 8047 2133

Royal Victoria Country Park - Half Term Activities

Tuesday 24th October 10am and 2pm - 'Room on a Broom'
Story trail and craft with a broomstick for every child.

Friday 27th October 10am and 2pm - 'Pumpkin Soup'
Story and pumpkin carving with a pumpkin for every child. Please bring an adult per child.

Cost £6 per child per event. Booking is essential as places are limited to maximum of 25.

A drink and biscuit are provided. Tel 023 8045 5157

The Friends of NAJS - News

A BIG welcome back to all students & a huge welcome to all new ones this term, hope you have all settled in nicely and enjoying the new challenges!

This will be a busy term for The Friends team as we have lots to look forward to including a Car Boot sale organised for Sunday 24th September 2017 10am - 12noon, £5 per car - there is still space if you would like a spot so please let us know ASAP. We are also arranging lots more fun things such as October Movie Night for Upper School, a stall at The Annual Pumpkin Festival at RVCP on Saturday 14th October, come along & try & win some prizes! Not to mention plans for Christmas are already under way!

If you think you can help our group in anyway by volunteering your admin skills, your creativity or just your precious time then we would always welcome new 'FRIENDS' so please get in touch to find out more about us - either contact via email friendsnaj@gmail.com or via our Facebook page.

Thanks for reading Angie Bundy, Chairperson.

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.

Useful Website Links

School website: <http://netleyabbey-jun.hants.sch.uk/>
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CHILDREN WITH LEGUME, SESAME AND NUT ALLERGIES

We have a child with a **severe** allergy to **all** legume and sesame products. **We still also have a number of children with nut allergies, requiring epipens.** As the allergy can be triggered from indirect contact i.e. touching areas where the products have been, we would politely request that the following food items are **NOT** brought in to school **at any time**:-

NO foods containing peas, broad beans, lentils, chickpeas, french beans, butter beans, haricot beans, kidney beans, sugar snap peas, pulses, soybeans, soya, nuts and sesame etc. (These are the most common in the legume family, but all legume foods are not permitted).

We trust you will support the school to ensure that it is a safe environment for all and thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday 20 th September 2017	- Individual School Photos
Sunday 24 th September 2017	- FONAJS Car Boot Sale 10am -12noon
Thursday 28 th September 2017	- Year 3 LINK Evening at 5.30pm
Thursday 28 th September 2017	- Year 6 SATs Information Evening at 6.30pm (details to follow)
Tuesday 10 th October 2017	- Book Fair Arrives in School
Wednesday 18 th October 2017	- Parents' Evening
Thursday 19 th October 2017	- Parents' Evening
Friday 20 th October 2017	- Break up for Half Term at 3.20pm
Monday 30 th October 2017	- Back to school
Tuesday 5 th December 2017	- Nuffield Theatre Trip

Advance Inset Days and Early Closures 2017/2018

Thursday 21 st December 2017	- Finish at 1.15pm
Thursday 4 th January 2018	- Inset Day
Friday 5 th January 2018	- Inset Day
Monday 25 th June 2018	- Inset Day
Friday 20 th July 2018	- Finish at 1.15pm
Monday 23 rd July 2018	- Inset Day