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Newsletter 1st February 2019

It has been a busy couple of weeks since the last newsletter for the Upper School Choir who have worked hard with their final rehearsals for the Young Voices Event which was held yesterday at the O2 Arena in London. The children travelled by coach to perform an array of songs and sang beautifully. Their remarkable behaviour and enthusiasm must be commended. The children had a fantastic time representing our school and for the parents who were able to attend, I hope you enjoyed it.

The colder mornings are bringing about an increase in children being late for school. If driving please account for the weather and leave earlier. The children should be sat in class by 8.50am, not just walking in the building at that time or later.

Thank you to Mrs Kinsella and Miss Phillips for helping Mrs Cousens clear the site this morning.

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 we have attached an information sheet for further advice.

Thank you.

Emergency Contact Changes

If you have changed your contact telephone number, please can you ensure that you let the school office know in order for us to update your child's record. Not only is this to ensure we are safeguarding your children, it also allows us to keep you updated with relevant communications relating to your child or the school.

Thank you.

Reporting Absences - Reminder

If your child is unable to attend school please phone the school as early as possible and either speak to a member of the office staff or leave a message on the absence mailbox. The mailbox is available 24 hours a day. You should call in each morning that your child is absent, not just on the first day, unless it is otherwise agreed with a member of the office staff and leave a reason for absence.

For safeguarding reasons we need to know where our children are and that they are safe.

Thank you.

Hair Styles

Please can we ask that boys and girls tie long hair or hair that flops over eyes back for lessons as hampering learning having one hand playing with or holding back hair.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Pupil Voice

This section is written by groups of children within our school and the following report is from our Eco Warriors.

Energy survey

We had a whole school 'School Energy Saving' assembly a few months ago, where we learnt how much energy costs per year and how we can save energy in the home and school. After assembly, some of the eco-warriors went around the school with a thermal heating camera: we found out that 'black' showed a freezing temperature and 'white' showed that it was really hot. There was a range of temperatures around the school and we found out where most heat is lost: we started to come up with ideas about how to save energy.

Which bins are which?

In the Autumn Term, a Sustainability Specialist from Eastleigh Borough Council came in to visit us in our eco-warriors meetings to recap what can and cannot be recycled - we were quite surprised! You can only recycle paper (no strips of paper or tissues), spray cans, boxes (only cardboard), plastic bottles (no lids), drink cans and food cans.

What are eco warriors working on?

After our two exciting visits, we are working on presentations for us to show to our classes about how we can be more eco-friendly. We are coming up with ideas like:

- having a monitor to turn off the lights when we leave the room
- re-designing the signs on our bins to make sure it's clear what can be recycled and what cannot
 - encouraging our teachers to use less paper in our resources

When we have finished, there will be a competition for the 'most eco-friendly classroom'.

Written by Izzy and Liam

Special Mentions

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

Esme (Denzil)	Conner (Crescent)
Ava (Moore)	Elliot (Grange)
Harry (Castle)	Aaron (Heath)
Marley (Beach)	Amaya (Wykeham)
Duncan (Sellwood)	Sammy (Seaview)
Kyle (Priory)	Ethan (Westwood)
Bella (Castle)	Archie (Crescent)
Marty (Sellwood)	Mary (Moore)
Erin (Seaview)	Caleb (Grange)
Summer (Priory)	Emre (Westwood)
Jacob (Heath)	Milly (Beach)
Holly (Wykeham)	Emily (Denzil)

Tesco School Uniform Embroidery Service

Tesco School Uniform Embroidery Service has now changed to 'My Clothing'.

You can find full details of the school uniform on the new website.

Ordering is as simple as it was before, nothing changes except the name.

For more information or to order please visit the website:

www.myclothing.com

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.

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 the School Office.

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/

Useful Website Links

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

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Dates for Your Diary

Friday 15 th February 2019	- Break up for Half Term at 3.20pm
Monday 25 th February 2019	- Inset Day
Tuesday 26 th February 2019	- Back to School
Thursday 7 th March 2019	- World Book Day
Thursday 7 th March 2019	- Lower School Movie Night at 3.30pm
Wednesday 13 th March 2019	- Parents' Evening 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Thursday 14 th March 2019	- Parents' Evening 3.30pm - 7.00pm
Friday 15 th March 2019	- Red Nose Day
Friday 22 nd March 2019	- Year 3 Trip to Butser Ancient Farm
Friday 29 th March 2019	- Mother's Day Shop at 3.20pm
Friday 5 th April 2019	- Break up for the Easter Holidays at 3.20pm

Advance Inset Days and Early Closures 2019

Monday 25th February 2019 - Inset Day
Friday 28th June 2019 - Inset Day
Monday 1st July 2019 - Inset Day
Tuesday 23rd July 2019 - Early Finish at 1.15pm

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