

# Netley Abbey Junior School

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## **Newsletter 29<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

Thank you to all the parents that attended the Year 3 LINK 'Learning and Interactive Night of Knowledge' session last night. We hope you found it helpful regarding how to assist your child's learning at home. Year 6 parents were also welcomed to our SATs Information Evening last night and were provided with answers to questions regarding the tests.

I am delighted that all the children but especially Year 3 children have settled into this term at the Junior school. Year 3 are looking forward to their local walk around the village next week, as part of their geography topic.

The Book Fair arrives into school on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October and further details will be sent out shortly. We look forward to seeing many parents during Parents' Evening on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. It is wonderful to be able to share your child's achievements with you.

## **Please keep our children safe!**

There has been an increase in the number of parents stopping or momentarily waiting on the 'yellow zig zag lines' outside the school at drop off and pick up times. This puts children (as well as adults) at risk outside the school gates, where there are lots of children trying to cross the road, including those on bikes.

Please keep our children safe by keeping this area outside the school **clear at all times**.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## **Universal Credits and Free School Meals**

It has come to our attention that some families are moving over to Universal Credits from other benefits.

You were not entitled to Free School Meals if you were in receipt of Working Tax Credits, however, if you move to Universal Credits **you may be**.

If you are, or have moved to Universal Credits, please contact us and we can provide you with further advice on applying for Free School Meals. Below is the link to apply online for Free School Meals, however, Universal Credit applications may not always be recognised during this transition period. We can, however, override the system so long as you can provide us with supporting documentation in the form of a payment in to your bank or text confirmation etc.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/freeschoolmeals/juniorsecondary>

Alternatively, you can fill in a paper application which is available from the school office (you will need your National Insurance Number) and we can apply on your behalf.

Please do not hesitate to contact us regarding this matter and we will assist you with your enquiry.

### Fraser Portraits

Photo proofs have been sent home with your child today. If you would like to order any photos, please return the proof envelope with payment to the school office no later than Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October.

Alternatively, you can order online at <https://orders.fraserportraits.com>

Thank you.

### Year 7 Secondary Applications

Please remember to submit your applications before the deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017.

All Hampshire school residents must apply via the Education Online Portal at:

[www.hants.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hants.gov.uk/admissions)

People residing in Southampton must apply through their home local authority (Southampton), even if you wish to apply for a Hampshire school. Please visit the website: [www.southampton.gov.uk](http://www.southampton.gov.uk)

Should you need any assistance, please contact Mrs Parmiter in the school office.

### 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 (i.e. sesame topped buns, seeded bread and humous)**
  - **nut based products (i.e. chocolate spreads)**
- **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.

### Supervision of Children in the Playground

Please can we ask that you do not allow your children to play on the Playdale equipment before and after school. This is only for use during the school day and with the supervision of school staff.

Whilst waiting to collect older siblings, please ensure that you supervise any younger children - they are not allowed to go into the outdoor classroom (Batcave) or play around the gardening club area.

Thank you for your help in ensuring the children play safely in our playground.

### Jewellery - Reminder

Jewellery is limited to **one** pair of stud earrings only and/or a watch. No hooped earrings for safety reasons - we do not want any ripped earlobes.

These need to be removed for PE lessons (or not worn that day) and should be kept in a small named pouch. Please provide your child with their own microporous tape (named) to cover earrings for PE, if they are unable to remove them during the first few weeks following having them.

Please remind your child it is their responsibility to look after such items.

Thank you.

### U11 Boys Football

On Tuesday 19th September, the U11 Boys football attended the Hampshire Cup qualifier at Berrywood Primary School. We played superbly; winning 3 matches and drew against Fair Oak, so we won our pool. We went on to beat Swanmore in the semi-finals and got to the finals.

In the finals we played Freegrounds Junior School. It was a tense match that went to Golden Goal and penalties. I am proud to say we won the tournament and are now through to the Hampshire Cup on the 6th October!

Well done to our brilliant team!



### Upper School Girls Football

The Upper School Girls football team have triumphed this year and shown amazing progress by making it to the semi-finals after playing at Berrywood Primary School on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September. Huge congratulations, as they tried their very best and all their hard work has paid off.

Well done to our brilliant team!



### Hound Basics Food Bank, Netley Matters and Job Club

This year we have seen a big increase in the number of needy families requiring our help in the Bursledon, Hamble and Netley areas.

We provide a 'Food Bank' (Hound Basics) every Tuesday from 11am to 2pm at Netley Central Sports & Social Club. We also run a 'Job Club' twice a year and offer a personal money management course. All these services are provided free to the local community.

'Netley Matters' was introduced to help people in the community access benefits or other internet services. Anyone is welcome to drop in for a coffee and chat.

Hound Basics relies on the generous support of organizations and individuals across the community. Non-perishable food can be donated at various venues including Netley Central Sports & Social Club and Netley Post Office and we are also happy to collect such items at Netley Abbey Junior School on the first Tuesday of each month.

For more information, please telephone 023 8040 4290

### **Reminder - Bike/Scooter Permits**

Only those with permits issued for the Autumn term are permitted to bring in their bike or scooter to school. All pupils must be accompanied by an adult when cycling or using a scooter unless they have completed the Hampshire Bikeability Level 2 Certificate. Helmets and high visibility clothing must be worn at all times.

**Cycles and scooters should not be ridden on any path or playground in either the Infant or Junior School.**

Thank you for your co-operation.

### **St Anne's School Open Events**

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017 - Open Morning 9am to 11am

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017 - Open Evening 6pm to 8pm

Please contact the school for more information Tel 023 8032 8200

### **The Gregg School Open Events**

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> 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

### **King Edward VI School Open Events**

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017 – Open Evening 6.30pm to 9pm

Please contact the school for more information Tel 023 8079 9216

### **Special Mentions**

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

Tilly-Marie Buckland (Grange)

Ruby Stephenson (Denzil)

Esme Blatch (Grange)

George Harrison (Heath)

Logan Warwick (Sellwood)

Freddie Fielder (Priory)

Oliver Solway (Moore)

Josie Kittredge (Crescent)

Penny Finch (Westwood)

Lily Hughes (Castle)

David Yeates (Moore)

Tamara Davis (Sellwood)

Daisy Thomas (Seaview)

Daniel Lawn (Beach)

Grace Sigournay (Priory)

Ben Lewis (Denzil)

### **Pupil Voice**

This section is written by groups of children within our school. This report is from Year 6 regarding their residential trip to Fairthorne Manor.

On the first week back at school, Year 6 went on a school trip to Fairthorne Manor.

Fairthorne Manor was a residential trip which most students said was an amazing way to kick off the school year.

It featured lots of different activities from kayaking, to abseiling. These activities built confidence and teamwork. My personal favourite activity was the team challenge, as it involved a good mix by getting wet, muddy and it was fun.

Overall, Fairthorne was a great trip, and Year 6 loved it!

By Sam Jolliffe

### The Friends of NAJS – News

Thank you to everyone that came along to our first Car Boot sale last Sunday. We managed to make £72.57 so thank you for your efforts. We may look to hold these on a regular basis in future so please be sure to spread the word to your friends and family when the time comes.

We are well on our way into the Autumn Term and preparations for our events are under way, here are a few dates for your diary that FONAJS are involved in and would welcome new volunteers to continue to make these events a success:

PUMPKIN FESTIVAL AT RVCP - Saturday 14th October  
UPPER SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT - Tuesday 17th October  
QUIZ NIGHT - Friday 24th November  
CHRISTMAS DISCO - Thursday 30th November  
SANTA DASH - Friday 1st December  
CHRISTMAS SHOP - Friday 15th December

All the proceeds we raise this term will buy iPads for the school so please give your support where you can. Also keep a look out for further information from FONAJS to see how YOU can get involved.

Thanks for reading  
Angie Bundy, Chairperson

### 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.**

### 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](http://www.netleyabbey-jun.hants.sch.uk).

Thank you.

### 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/](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/>

Tucasi: [www.scopay.com/netleyabbey-jun](http://www.scopay.com/netleyabbey-jun)

### **Dates for Your Diary**

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	- Year 3 Local Area Walk
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	- Book Fair Arrives in School
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	- Book Fair Leaves School
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	- Upper School Movie Night
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	- Parents' Evening
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	- Parents' Evening
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	- Break up for Half Term at 3.20pm
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	- Back to school
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	- Quiz Night
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	- Christmas Discos
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2017	- Santa Dash
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	- Nuffield Theatre Trip
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	- Year 3 Christmas Performance at 9.15am
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	- Year 3 Christmas Performance at 4pm
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	- Year 4 Christmas Performance at 9.15am
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	- Year 4 Christmas Performance at 4pm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	- Christmas Shop
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	- Upper School Christmas Performance at 9.30am & 6pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	- Upper School Christmas Performance at 9.30am & 6pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2017	- Break up for Christmas at 1.15pm

### **Advance Inset Days and Early Closures 2017/2018**

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