NEWSLETTER – 6th November 2026

DIARY DATES

November

9th	Tree planting at Bury Hill (Cello)
11th	Hawk Conservancy trip (Oboe)
18th	Cinema trip (FE)
18th	Parents' Coffee Afternoon Group (1.30pm)
20th	Children in Need
23rd	School Photographer – FE and Cello students (am only)
24th	School Photographer – All remaining classes (all day)
27th	Hants Music Service Special Event rehearsal, Winchester



CLASS FOCUS OF THE WEEK – FE (Victorious & Glastonbury)

Our FE students have enjoyed a wonderful first half term, settling quickly into routines and returning with enthusiasm. From day one, they have shown independence, teamwork and a positive attitude across their activities.

Preparations for the festive season are underway. Students have been making Christmas cards and planning for the upcoming Christmas Market, putting their creativity and organisational skills into practice.



Students have also embraced the new cooking curriculum, shopping for ingredients and preparing their own lunches. Sandwiches, beans on toast and delicious cupcakes have all been on the menu, helping students develop confidence in the kitchen alongside valuable cooking and budgeting skills.

Litter-picking sessions have helped students care for local areas and take pride in their community. Housekeeping tasks have provided further opportunities to develop practical skills that support greater independence in everyday life.

A visit from PCSO Renee and her two colleagues was another highlight. Students enjoyed meeting the officers, trying on uniform items and learning about their community roles. Sitting inside the police car and exploring its equipment proved particularly exciting.

Regular swimming and Pilates sessions have supported health, wellbeing and fitness. We are incredibly proud of our FE students' achievements and look forward to seeing their continued progress this year.









CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS!!!

The FE students will be holding their annual Christmas Market on 2nd December (more details to follow). As we all know, time passes very quickly during the build up towards Christmas, so we are attempting to be super-ready for the event! What we are hoping some of you may be able to provide are donations for adults i.e. smellies and unwanted gifts etc and possible raffle prizes. We would also appreciate donations of baked goods that could be sent in on the day of the Market. If you feel you are able to help us out in any way then we would be very grateful. Thank you.



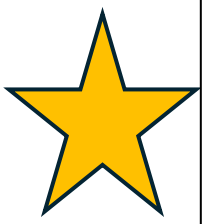
A COUPLE OF THANK YOUS…

- Thank you to those who have taken on board our request for more considerate parking round the school - we are sure the residents in our area are appreciative. HOWEVER! Please note that The Swallow Pub car park will be closed next Monday (one day only) due to works being carried out.
- Thank you for your monetary donations for the Dress Down day held today. The money will be used by some of our students to shop for the Andover Food Bank.

CLASS STARS OF THE WEEK

Chimes	- Missy
Drum	- Coraesmae
Maracas	- Zachary O
Tambourine	- Ceazar
Triangle	- Oscar A
Trumpet	- Archie W
Oboe	- Jacob M
Banjo	- Neil
Harp	- Panashe
Cello	- Destiny
FE (PPICC)	- Caynan & Jack O





SCHOOL SUPERSTAR OF THE WEEK – ZACHARY!

Zachary has settled wonderfully into Maracas class. He is engaged in his learning and particularly enjoys spending time at his workstation. He shares lovely interactions with adults, using vocalisations for them to copy, and communicates well during snack and lunchtime. Zachary also enjoys trips out, sitting well on the bus and making the most of visits to Forest School. Whether flapping a stick, some leaves or hair, he finds plenty to enjoy. When it is time to relax, he enjoys a soothing massage and treats staff to one of his lovely smiles.



Signs of the Week

