

Newsletter for Parents

8th November 2019

Marchants Hill

We have received some wonderful feedback from Year 6 parents following the Marchants Hill residential trip. Mrs McArthur spent the whole week assisting the school team and asked us to share this with you:

Back home from helping at Marchants Hill. The Year 6 children have been such a credit to all of the parents, trying new things and working with their friends. I didn't quite realise until seeing it first hand just how much work is put in by the staff and helpers. They tried so hard to care for all of the children's needs and make sure they all have fun for the whole week, day and night. The schedule is incredibly full on yet they have always been able to smile and encourage the children. We really are so fortunate that the team give their time and energy away from their families to enable our children to have such an amazing experience. So thank you all!

Many of you have also posted on our Facebook page and we are so pleased that your children enjoyed their week away.

Harvest Food Donations

Thank you so much to everyone who donated food or other items for Hart Foodbank at the end of October. The donations filled a car to the brim - even bags were on the front seat! We send our gratitude to St John C of E Church in Hook for assisting us in delivering the huge quantity of donations to the foodbank in order to help families in the local area. We were overwhelmed with the generosity of parents and children and we could not do this without the support of you and the community.

Scoop!

We were extremely fortunate to have Kate Cottrell from Scoop, a zero waste shop in Fleet, visit this week and lead a presentation on the impact of plastic on the Earth and oceans. She had some little suggestions of the actions to help reduce plastic waste in the school community like using cotton or canvas bags instead of plastic ones or saying no to plastic straws when out-and-about. Thank you Kate for your informative visit and the Eco-Warriors look forward to working with Kate later in the year.



School Lunches - New Menu

It has been lovely this week seeing the children enjoying the new menu. Visit www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/hc3s for more information about our catering supplier, HC3S, and the lunches on offer.

Year 3 Collage art

Next week Year 3 will be creating collage art out of recycled materials. Please could you save your recycling (cardboard boxes, wrappers, packaging) and send in with your child on Wednesday 13th November.

Year 6 Need Your Card!

Year 6 would be grateful for any donations of brown cardboard, especially corrugated card. This will be used to help support their Science and DT learning before being recycled. Please send it in by the end of next week.

Reminders – Coats, Healthy Snacks and Medicines

With the weather turning colder children must have a coat in school every day and please ensure all clothing, lunch boxes and water bottles are named.

Morning snack must be healthy (i.e. fruit, vegetable, cereal bar). Strictly **no crisps**.

All medication for pupils must be handed directly to the office by a parent or carer so that proper procedure can be followed to ensure the correct records are kept and administration needs are clearly understood. Children must not carry medicines themselves.

Anti-bullying week – 11th-15th November

This November sees the annual anti-bullying week supported by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. The children will be exploring the theme this year of 'Change begins with me' and how everyone can take responsibility for eradicating bullying and reducing its impact on society. For further information and advice designed to support parents, please visit <https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/advice-parents>

Parent Curriculum Evening, 12th November

You will have received an email earlier this week about next week's curriculum evening. Please book your place using the survey link attached to the email we have circulated.

Children in Need - Friday 15th November - Show us your Spots!

On Friday 15th November all children, adults and visitors are invited to come in to school in their spottiest clothing for a £1 minimum donation. No need to spend a fortune - a homemade spotty old top or leggings is absolutely fine, and please no hair colours (as they tend to run!). The children will also be learning more about the work of Children in Need and how they help children in our own country as well as in other countries around the world.

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 13th December

Autumn is our busiest time for charity fundraising and just before Christmas is a particularly important time to recognise children less fortunate than ourselves. Christmas jumper day is incredibly popular at our school, so we invite all children, adults and visitors to put on their best festive pullies for a £1 minimum donation to help the work of Save the Children. Christmas jumper bargains are already in the shops, but don't spend a fortune - dressing in red, decorating an old jumper with tinsel and drawing snowmen on old t-shirts have all been popular in previous years! Please wear your jumper over your school uniform.

Congratulations

Many congratulations to Alice F in Year 3 who was a runner-up in Hampshire's recent drawing competition entitled 'My Wild Walk to School'. Alice received her prize in our celebration assembly.

Stars of the Week, week ending 8th November

Year 3 Lucas T, Joshua B, Dylan H, Madison B

Year 4 Liam W, Varun N, Noah B, Josh B

Year 5 Jessica J, Harry B, Liam M, Daniel W

Year 6 Charlie M, Rudy W, Jonny G, David M

House Point Winners this week: Brunel

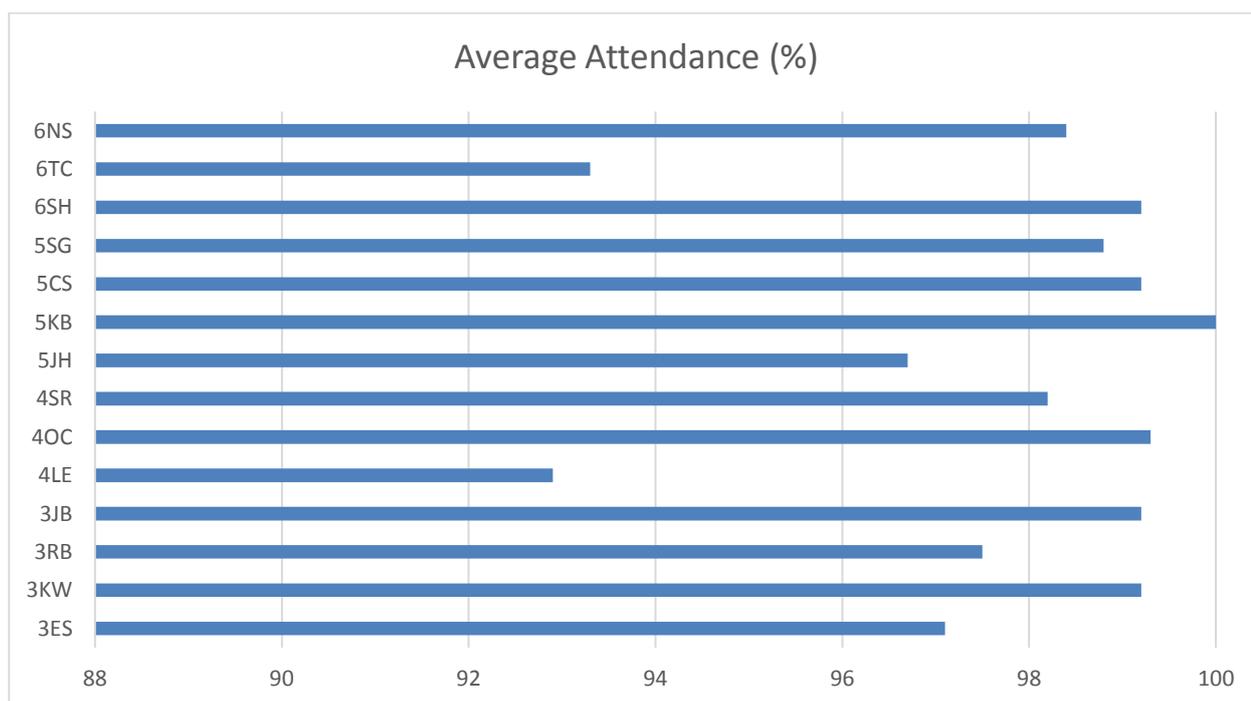
Reading Class of the Week: 5KB

Reading Raffle Winner: Alfie D

Lunch Raffle Winner: Evie P

Attendance

Every day counts... Your child's attendance matters!



Whole School attendance this week: 97.7

Best attendance this week: 5KB – well done!

Events Calendar

All forthcoming events can be found on the [Events Calendar](#). Alongside our own events, you will also find links to Hampshire County term dates and national public holidays.