



PARENTS EVENING

Thank you to all parents and teachers for the successful parents evenings on Tuesday or Thursday. We hope you found the meetings of value. Thank you also to everyone who supported the book fair. Book sales this year will enable us to buy £180 of new books for the library which is fantastic!

ATTENDANCE



I hope that you have received your child's attendance % for this half term. The reason for sharing this information with you now, and throughout the year, is to highlight the importance of regular attendance.

Why should I arrive for school on time?

Good attendance impacts positively on your child's progress and increases their sense of belonging. Attending school on a regular basis is the key to your child doing well at school and will set them up with good habits for later life and the working world. Poor attendance and punctuality can give the message to your child that school is un-important. Good attendance and punctuality are a great life-skill, for interviews, for working, for everything! Encouraging your children to attend school every day, on time, places value on school and education and increases your child's life chances.



It is the legal responsibility of parents/carers to ensure that children attend school on time each day.

5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost per school year

The bell rings at 8.50 am and registration is at **8.55am**. This is when your child **must** be in their classroom ready for the register to be taken and the first lesson to begin. It is important to be on time as the first few minutes of the school day are often used to give instructions or organise school work for the rest of the day.

Did you know...

10 minutes late each day = 6.5 days lost per school year

GOODBYE

Today we said goodbye to Wendy Varnham, who has been part of our support staff for 14 years! During her time at Ropley she has supported many of our children on a 1:1 basis and also as a group and has also been instrumental in setting up our Accelerated Reader programme and maintaining the library. We will miss her and wish her all good wishes for the future.

DOGS

Unfortunately one of our younger children was bitten by a dog that had been tied up on a long lead on Tuesday evening outside the school gates. Luckily the child was not severely injured but this was an incident that could have been so much worse. Please ensure your dogs are securely tied to the metal rings and on a short lead so they cannot roam around. If you see a dog that is not secure please do let a member of staff know as soon as possible so that we can keep everyone safe. Thank you for your support.

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

This week you have been sent a text with a link to our Parent and Carers Questionnaire. Please find 5 minutes to complete the form and write any comments which you feel are valid. Miss Vittle and the Governors will be looking at the feedback and will let you know the outcome to any of your comments during the next half term.

The link is:

<https://goo.gl/forms/XsAZzY98ptNNNdKH3>

Thank you to everyone who has already completed the form; we appreciate your time and opinions.



WANTED



Miss Richards and Class 4/5 are collecting plastic bottle tops as they will be working on a piece of art over the coming weeks. Any bottle tops, squash bottle tops, all coloured tops gratefully received. Please drop them off to the school office or into class 4/5. Thanks.

WANTED—LIBRARY ASSISTANT

We would be delighted if someone was available to come into school every week, for 2 or 3 hours at a time, to help out in the library. There are a number of essential jobs that need to be done every week and these include sorting and cataloguing books, tidying up and covering new books. Full training will be given and a DBS check will be required. If this sounds like something you would be able to help us with please let Mrs Burr know in the school office. We can't offer a salary but we can offer tea and biscuits, and sometimes there is also cake!

BAG2SCHOOL

We will be holding another Bag2school collection on Tuesday 27th November. This is the ideal opportunity to have a sort out of wardrobes and cupboards and bag up anything that you would send to the charity shop. We earn 40p per kilo which is valuable income for our school. Bags will be sent home after half term but good quality black bags can also be used if you want to start collecting over the holidays. Please don't bring in any bags before 27th November as we have no where to store them. Bags can be dropped off at normal drop off time, on the day, by the grit bin at the bottom of the drive.

Please DO NOT include:

Logo'd items, Torn or dirty items or pieces of fabric
Pillows, Duvets or quilts
Carpets, rugs or mats

DECORATE A JAM JAR

Keep the children entertained over half term by decorating a jam jar for the Christmas Fair tombola. Decorate a jam jar in your school house colour and fill it with anything you like – sweets, chocolates, stationary, small toys, stickers.

Bring your decorated jar into school on **Friday 2 November**.

DIARY DATES

New events or date changes in bold

Mon 29th Oct	INSET Day
Wed 31st Oct	Dance Workshops, Whole School
Thur 1st Nov	Flu Immunisations, Year R-5
Mon 6th Nov	Avon Tyrrell—Year 6
Tues 20th Nov	CI 3/4 to Chambers Recycling Centre
Wed 21st Nov	CI 4/5 to Chambers Recycling Centre
Fri 16th Nov	MUFTI day for Tombola prizes for FROGS Xmas Fayre
Mon 19th Nov	Year R Parents Evening, 3.20pm-6.50pm
Sat 24th Nov	FROGS Xmas Fayre, 12noon—2pm
Tues 27th Nov	Dance Festival, Yr 1, Perins
	Bag2School Collection 9am
Tues 11th Dec	Whole School Nativity Performance Village Hall, 2pm & 5pm
Thurs 13th Dec	School Xmas lunch day
Wed 19th Dec	KS1 Xmas Party, 1.30pm
Thurs 20th Dec	KS2 Xmas Party, 1.30pm
Fri 21st Dec	Carols Around the Tree, 10.30am End of Autumn Term
Mon 7th Jan	Start of Spring Term
Tues 5th Feb	KS1 Giant Sing, Year 1, Basingstoke Anvil 12.15pm-3.45pm
Tues 12th Feb	Giant Sing, CI 3/4 & 4/5 Basi Anvil, 12.15pm—15.45pm
Fri 15th Feb	Snow White Panto at Village Hall, 2pm Break for Half Term
Mon 25th Feb	Inset Day
Fri 22nd March	Year 1 Fundraiser—Race Night
Fri 5th April	End of Spring Term
Tues 23rd April	Start of Summer Term
Fri 24th May	Break for Half Term
Mon 3rd June	Inset Day
Tues 23rd July	End of Summer Term

POPPY DAY

We will have a selection of child friendly poppy items on sale after half term, along with the more traditional paper poppies and also a donation tin. Please bring a safety pin if you want your child to wear a poppy as we will not give out pins. Thank you.

W/C 29th October 2018	Monday <i>INSET DAY</i>	Tuesday	Wednesday <i>Dance Workshops Whole School</i>	Thursday <i>Flu Immunisations Yrs R-5</i>	Friday
Morning	Piano & Recorder Lessons		Guitar Lessons	Drum Lessons	
Lunchtime		French club 12.15pm-12.45pm Years 1 & 2			
Afternoon	Piano & Recorder Lessons				
After School Activities	KS2 Football club 3.00pm-4.15pm	Board Games Club KS2 3pm-4pm Little Bookworms KS1 (Mrs Day)	French Club 3.10pm-3.55pm Netball Club 3.00pm-4.00pm	KS1+KS2 Multisports 3.00pm-4.15pm	KS1+ Yr 3 Football club KS2 Drama Club (Mrs Day)