

APPRECIATION ❤️ **BELONGING** ❤️ **COMPASSION**

God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness

RUNWAYS END EXPERIENCE

On Wednesday, all the children in Years 3, 4 and 5 were invited to spend the day at Runways End, an HCC Activity Centre near Aldershot. They spent the day as Eco Explorers, taking part in eco challenges, designing an Eco centre, a biodiversity survey and woodland games. A very big thank you to all the staff, governors and parents who accompanied the children on the trip. The feedback was positive and the children had a great time outdoors all day! There are lots of photos on the website, please take a look.



HAVE YOUR SAY - HEADTEACHER SELECTION

If any parent would like to feedback to the Governors about the qualities and attributes they would like them to look for in another exceptional Headteacher, then please email ropleygovernorchair@gmail.com by next Wednesday 7th February.

GIRLS FOOTBALL



Coach James will be offering a girls only football training after school club starting on Friday 23rd February, 3.15pm -4.15pm. The club is open to all girls across the year groups. To register and confirm your space please visit:

<http://www.soccerschools-uk.com/booking>

NEW FOR 2024!

Cafe Church on the 1st Sunday of every month
St Peter's Church, 10am

St Peter's Church is running a new form of family friendly worship on the 1st Sunday of every month. Starting with coffee, refreshments and a chance to chat, the informal service will then take place, with children taking part as they wish, and doing craft.

Come along and find out more this Sunday, when the theme will be 'Visible and Invisible'.



CONGRATULATIONS!

We were delighted to receive this lovely email from Joshua Knibbs, our visiting, peripatetic ukelele teacher:

*Please can I pass on my praise to the school for how well **Nikolas M** is doing in his Ukulele lessons. Nikolas is practicing every week which results in improving his skill and knowledge on Ukulele. Nikolas is also demonstrating perseverance and enthusiasm when needing to overcome obstacles.*

A particular highlight is on Monday when Nikolas told me of a problem he was having, with a section of a song we are learning. He identified the problem at home and communicated it to me in the lesson. Nikolas thought about how this could be resolved, applied this solution, and successfully played the section of the song he was having problems with.

A big well done to Nikolas for demonstrating these skills!

Well done from us, too, Nikolas. This is fantastic to hear.



BEE RECOGNISED

In our Bee Book and in Celebration Worship this week the following children were recognised:

Bumblebees: **James S** for bee-ing a wonderful learner who is polite, follows our three schools rules and tries his best with his learning. This week, James made super progress with his letter formation, writing his name independently for the first time. Well done!

Honey Bees: **Georgie B and Juliet B** for having a positive attitude to all of their learning. You are great role models to our class, demonstrating how to be Ready, Respectful, Safe throughout the school day.

Carpenter Bees: **Ollie B** for some wonderful, independent learning this week! You are trying so hard to use your phonics to help with your writing. It is helping you to make lovely progress, well done!

Year 3: **Rohan W** for having a fantastic attitude to all activities at Runways End. He showed great teamwork, brilliant communication and a fabulous can-do attitude to every task. It was recognised by all the adults.

Millie P, Finn C and Eden M for showing awesome resilience in maths this week. They have been able to apply the times tables knowledge to bigger and trickier numbers and succeed.

Year 4: **Al M and Alexis R** for great learning this week in Year 4. They both wrote well composed and informative letters in the role of a Roman Soldier capturing a 'chatty style!' In maths they've made super progress applying all the strategies we've learnt in our multiplying and dividing work. What a great effort!

Year 5: **Adam W and Cecily W** for their focus, concentration and great learning in science, being able to explain metamorphosis.

Sophie S and Jonathan P for working hard on regulating the size of their handwriting to gain their pen licences. Well done!

Year 6: **Gabriel C and Evan G** for bee-ing such kind and caring year 6 buddies. They always go the extra mile and enjoy sharing their knowledge with their Year R friends.

Skyla S and Beau B for bee-ing excellent talk partners, especially in shared reading, they fully engage with their learning and offer thoughtful and perceptive ideas that are not always obvious.

DIARY DATES

New dates or changes in bold

Tues 6th Feb	Safer Internet Day Inclusion Hub, 8.45am
Wed 7th Feb	Year 6 Flight Simulator Experience
Fri 9th Feb	Pancake Races Break for Half Term
Mon 19th Feb	INSET Day
Tues 20th Feb	Return to School Spring 2
Thur 29th Feb	Last Teacher Led Club Session
Fri 1st Mar	House Cross Country, 2pm
Wed 6th Mar	Yr 1 & 2 Royal Victoria Country Park
Thur 7th Mar	World Book Day
Tue 12th Mar	Listen2Me Concert to Parents, 11am Carpenter Bee Class Only
Wed 13th Mar	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.30pm
Thur 14th Mar	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.30pm
Fri 15th Mar	Comic Relief Day
Wed 20th Mar	Full Governing Body Meeting
Thur 28th Mar	Easter Performance to Parents at St Peter's, 9.30am Open Afternoon for parents to view Children's books, 2pm
Thur 28th Mar	Break for Easter
Mon 15th Apr	Return to School Summer 1
Wed 22nd May	Year 4 & 5 Dress Rehearsal



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to all the children who have their birthday in this week :

Cissy B

**Archie C
Tabatha H**

Evie S

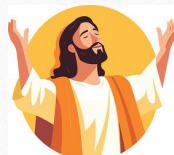
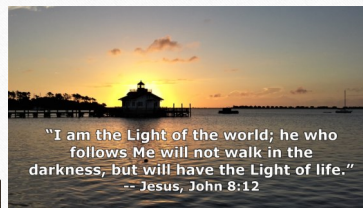
Thank you to Rosie R for the fabulous book she has donated to the library for her birthday.

Mrs Howling will put sticker in the front of the books with her name on.

If you would like to donate a book, or something else, for your child's birthday, the link to our wishlist is:

<https://amzn.eu/bXvpSme>

This week's theme in Worship has been 'Light in the World, Light of the World'. The children have considered what they know about Light, where does it come from, and once God had created Light in the world, what could happen next? They have heard Genesis 1:1-4 and also John 8:12. God created Light and Jesus said He was the Light. The children have sung Shine, Jesus Shine, and said a prayer of thanks for bringing Light to the World.



Christians believe that Jesus said he was the light of the world.

What does this tell us about Jesus?

Was he a life guider? Did he help people to walk in the light?

How would you feel to walk in light?



NEWS FROM THE HIVE



The weather hasn't been too bad this week and we have managed to get outside to get some fresh air and play games.

We've played football on the top court, lots of running, jumping and climbing to keep warm, hide and seek, netball and tag.

We have made use of the hall this week. The children have had lots of fun playing badminton, ping pong, table tennis and soft football.

We are exploring winter this term. There have been lots of winter art and craft activities out this week. Winter themed colouring, junk modelling and some of the children at breakfast club have made snowman pictures and snowflakes, which are displayed on our board in the Hive, please do come and have a look. The children love to see their masterpieces on display!



Some of our younger children have enjoyed our shop and café role playing area. The older children made menus and price lists, the younger children served the food and were excited to use the interactive tills and money.

There have also been lots of other activities set out for the children to play with such as, Lego, Hama beads, play dough, board games, pool table and lots of other fun activities. The children always get to choose what they would like to play with.

REMINDERS

Please ensure that you collect your children at **6pm Monday-Thursday** and **Friday at 4.30pm**. **You will be charged a late pick up fee if you collect your child late.** If for any reason you are going to be late, we would appreciate a phone call.

A reminder that if your child arrives at breakfast club between **8.15am and 8.30am**, they will only be offered toast or cereal. This allows the children time to eat and also the staff time to clear up and put everything away as the Hive is also used as a classroom every morning. Although we do offer a variety of options at breakfast club, such as porridge, bacon sandwiches, fresh fruit, yoghurt etc, it is simply not possible to offer this variety after 8.15am. Children arriving after 8.30am will not be offered food.

Thank you for your continued support.
The Extended Day Team



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FEBRUARY HALF TERM WEEK!

**DODGEBALL,
GYMNASTICS &
AFCON WEEK**



SOCCER SCHOOLS UK ARE RUNNING THEIR POPULAR
FOOTBALL & MULTI-SPORT CAMPS ON THE FOLLOWING
DAYS DURING THE FEBRUARY HALF TERM PERIOD



FEBRUARY HALF TERM CAMP

DATES

MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY

WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

THURSDAY 15TH FEBRUARY

FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

COST

£20 PER CHILD, PER DAY
(STANDARD DAY)

£28 PER CHILD, PER DAY
(EXTENDED DAY)

STANDARD HOURS

DROP OFF FROM 8:45am - 9:30am

COLLECTION FROM 3:15pm - 4pm

EXTENDED HOURS

EARLY DROP OFF FROM 8:15am-8:45pm (£5)

LATE COLLECTION TO 4pm -4:45pm (£5)

FULL EXTENDED DAY 8:15am-4:45pm (£8)

INFO

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR
HOLIDAY CAMP PROCEDURES, THE
FORMAT OF THE DAY AND WHAT TO
BRING, PLEASE CHECK THE HOLIDAY
CAMPS SECTION, OF OUR WEBSITE-

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SMARTPHONE SAFETY TIPS

for young people

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You may have been lucky enough to have unwrapped a smartphone at Christmas, or you might be eagerly anticipating getting a new one at some point during this year. Whether it'll be your first ever phone or an upgrade on your old model, it's always useful to have a refresher about how to set it up and adjust the settings to keep yourself – and your valuable personal info – safe and secure. We've collected some expert tips to help you enjoy your smartphone in the healthiest way possible.

NEVER SHARE YOUR PASSCODE

Alongside face or fingerprint recognition, your passcode is crucial to unlocking your phone and accessing your apps and personal information. You shouldn't give it out, even to close friends – after all, you wouldn't hand them a key to your house and let them go in for a nosy around! If a friend wants to use your phone, ask them why and make sure you can see what they're doing with it.

RESPECT PARENTAL CONTROLS

If you're allowed to have a smartphone, it's because your parents or carers feel that you're mature and responsible enough to use it safely. They might set controls and boundaries on your device – not to spoil your fun but to help you avoid hazards like too much screen time or costly in-app purchases. Following these rules means you can enjoy using your phone while respecting their wishes.

TALK TO A TRUSTED ADULT

Whether it's to listen to music, play games, create content or chat with friends, using a smartphone should be fun. If you're ever feeling anxious, worried or scared about going on your phone, then something isn't right. It's important not to ignore these feelings; instead, talk to a trusted adult about what's happening and how it's making you feel.

STAY ALERT

Two words: look up. It might sound obvious, but it's so easy to get immersed in what we're looking at or listening to on our phones that we can become unaware of our surroundings – or who might be around us. People often walk with their head down, focusing on their phone, and forget to check for obstacles in their path, cars or other pedestrians coming towards them, which is clearly dangerous.

DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS

Phones offer a vast amount of content and the chance to chat with friends whenever we feel like it, which can make it difficult to take time away from the screen. If that's something you struggle with, you could try setting time limits on certain apps. Putting our phones down for a while gives us more time to interact with others or do something physical that helps keep us fit and healthy.

IGNORE UNKNOWN NUMBERS

There are some scammers who might call or text asking you to share personal data or to click on a link and provide your details. Some may claim to be from a genuine company, but trustworthy businesses don't spontaneously call or message to ask for your information. It's safest to ignore calls or texts from unknown numbers, and never give your personal details out over the phone.

ONLY USE AGE-APPROPRIATE APPS

Before downloading a new app or game, check what age rating it has. Don't feel pressured into getting a particular game or app just because your friends are using it. If it's intended for older people, there's a definite risk that it could include content (which is violent or frightening, for instance) or language which isn't suitable and may leave you feeling upset or disturbed.

REMOVE TEMPTATION

A good night's sleep is so important for concentration, mood and overall health. Unwinding properly before going to bed – which means not staring at a screen late at night – can often improve sleep quality. Put your phone on charge overnight, but not in your room. This means you'll have a lot less temptation to check any notifications, reply to messages or get caught up scrolling on social media.

THINK ABOUT OTHERS

Watching videos, listening to music or calling someone can all help to pass the time while we're on the bus, waiting in a queue or walking down the street. It's important to remain mindful of other people, though: they might not want to hear your tunes or your conversation. Likewise, if you're calling from a public place then don't forget that anyone could overhear something personal about you.

SWITCH OFF GEOLOCATION

In your phone's settings, you'll be able to disable geolocation for individual apps and photos; this means that people online (including strangers) can't see information about where you are when you share or post a pic. On the subject of images, it's also important to ask permission before taking or sharing a photo of someone – and don't share embarrassing images of your friends with others.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING

Every year, the Government allocates funding to schools to help address the national trend that disadvantaged students do not attain as highly as non-disadvantaged students. This valuable extra money is allocated to schools to provide additional or enhanced provision, so that no child is left behind in their education as a result of financial circumstances. This can include subsidising after school clubs and trips as well as providing additional learning support or resources in class, for example.

Eligibility criteria

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Parents and carers can check eligibility simply and easily by visiting:

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants/>

and clicking on 'New Application'. Once you have input your details it will return an instant result and notify the school office electronically of your eligibility. If you would prefer us to check on your behalf, please email Mrs Burr with YOUR name, YOUR date of birth and YOUR national insurance number. We would like to reassure you that all applications made are confidential and no child is identified as a Pupil Premium child in any way in their day to day school life. Equally being entitled to free school meals does not mean your child has to eat a meal every day!

Even if your child is in Year R, 1 or 2 and already entitled to Universal Free School Meals, if you think you might be entitled to this benefit please complete the form. This valuable extra funding ensures that we can offer many different types of support throughout the years your child is at our school and will ensure they continue to receive free school meals as they move into KS2.

**Just one day of qualifying entitlement = 6 years of funding!
Current funding = £1455 per child per academic year**