

**Dear Parents/Carers,**

This week has flown by. We would like to thank all of the supporters that were here on Friday to celebrate our sports Day. Mr Balcombe and the team did a great job at organising the event - this takes a lot of time and dedication and I would like to personally thank them. We hope you had a lovely day. We have already had our evaluation meeting and hope to further develop the event next year. We are always striving to improve and we will be sending out a parent survey shortly; we welcome any constructive feedback to help us continually improve.

### **Ancient Egyptian Day**

On Wednesday 12th June, Year 3 took part in their Ancient Egyptian theme day. It all started with an amazing display of costumes and checking out one another's headdresses and props! Our first activity required the children to use the hieroglyphic alphabet to create their own bookmark with their name written in hieroglyphics.



For the rest of the day, the children rotated around a number of activities that saw them

- Decorate their Canopic jars
- Green screen video to share their diary writing
- Create a simple pneumatic system to make a mummy move.

We finished off the day by holding a mini Egyptian exhibition to look at the fabulous projects the children had created with their families at home. We would like to thank you for the support you have given your child.



## **Student Spotlight**



Last weekend both River and Imogen participated in the Southampton Gymnastics competition. Both performed well and received 1<sup>st</sup> place medals in their different categories - we are extremely proud of them. Well done girls.



## **Don't Forget!**



Next week is our REF week – this is one of the most enjoyable weeks in school for the children. All of our learning is based around looking after the environment. Everyday children are to be dressed in old clothes, as they will be out and about around the grounds, and participating in messy art activities etc.... we have attached the previous letter and information that has been sent out below – all dates have been corrected.

We hope all of our families enjoy the long weekend. We look forward to welcoming all of the children back on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June. We will start the week with our REF assembly.

Best wishes,  
Miss Wootten

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Miss Wootten'.

**Upcoming dates and events \* Please note there are new dates added.**

JUNE 2024	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	✓	✓	✓	✓	REF WEEK (Old clothes all week)
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June		✓			PBones Concert to parents 11:00 in school hall.
Wk. beginning 24 <sup>th</sup> June	✓	✓	✓	✓	Clubs finish this week.
June 24 <sup>th</sup> - 28 <sup>th</sup> June		✓			Year 4 swimming (every PM)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	✓	✓	✓	✓	Class Photos - school jumper please.
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June				✓	Year 6 Paulton's Park.
July 2024					
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July			✓		Year 5 RSE Parent Meeting (3:30 - 4:30)
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	✓	✓	✓	✓	Transition Day - parents can come into classes and meet new teacher at 3:30.
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July		✓			Year 4 RSE Parent Meeting (3:30 - 4:30)
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July				✓	Non Uniform bring a Tombola Prize
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July		✓	✓	✓	Rock to the Beat. (2:00 – 2:30 – this allows time for infant school parents to attend the Rock steady concert at the infants.
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	✓	✓	✓		Non Uniform bring a Tombola Prize
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July				✓	STEM Mountbatten
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	✓	✓	✓	✓	Summer Festival
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July		✓			Mayor's Picnic (Year 4 and orchestra 3:30 – performing 3:45.)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July				✓	<b>Year 6 Residential- Stone Farm</b>
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July				✓	Mountbatten Parents' New Intake Evening 6.00pm – 7.00pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	✓	✓	✓	✓	End of year reports go home
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	✓	✓	✓	✓	French day (Dress up day.)
15 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup> July		✓			Year 4 Swimming (every PM)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	✓	✓	✓	✓	Music Showcase (Keyboard, Violin, Brass)9:30-10:30
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July				✓	<b>Year 6 production-</b> Matinee Performance to parents (1:45)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July				✓	<b>Year 6 production-</b> Evening Performance to parents 6:00)
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	✓	✓	✓	✓	Music Showcase (Guitar, Woodwind, Percussion)9:30-10:30
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July				✓	<b>Year 6 production-</b> Evening Performance to parents ( 6:00)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July				✓	Year 6 leavers festival/leavers lunch
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July				✓	Leavers Event - Parents invited 10:00 – 1:00 (Assembly & picnic on the field)
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>END OF TERM - Finish at normal time.</b>

**Planned INSET days for Academic Year 2024/2025, please note these are in line with the Infant school.**

<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024</b>	<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024</b>	<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024</b>	<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025</b>
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## Attendance Matters



Please support the Romsey Partnership in ensuring good attendance

## Sports Day Results

We would like to say a huge well done to all the runners that took part in their races and scored points for their team. Well done to Knightswood for their overall win of 6,900.

In the competitive events, the results are shown below.

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Jumping Year 3 Boys	Albie (2.4m)	Zander (2.05m)	Daniel (2.00m)
Jumping Year 3 Girls	Ellie (2.80m)	Karina (2.10m)	Emily (2.05m)
Jumping Year 4 Boys	Reuben (3.00m)	Eli (2.20m)	Lucas (1.45m)
Jumping Year 4 Girls	Lacey (2.60m)	Darcey (2.30m)	Mollie (2.00m)
Jumping Year 5 Boys	Matthew (3.40m)	Dominic (3.20m)	Oscar (2.8m)
Jumping Year 5 Girls	Mia T (2.4m)	Madison (2.2m)	Scarlett (2.1m)
Jumping Year 6 Boys	George (2.90m) Yousef (2.90m)	Ewan (2.60m)	William (2.40m)
Jumping Year 6 Girls	Megan (3m)	Eden (2.95m)	Taylor (2.30m) Izabelle (2.30m)

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Throwing Year 3 Boys	Fletcher (26m)	Leo (23m)	Oscar S (22m) Ollie C (22m)
Throwing Year 3 Girls	Matilda (13.25m)	Faith (11m)	n/a
Throwing Year 4 Boys	Cooper (27.50m)	Ellis (24.75m)	Alfie B (24m)
Throwing Year 4 Girls	Sophia T (15m)	Isabelle (9.50m)	Amelia (9.25m)
Throwing Year 5 Boys	Dylan B (13.75m)	Rory (11.75m)	Lyle (8.25m)
Throwing Year 5 Girls	Daiya (8.75m)	Arya (7.25m)	n/a
Throwing Year 6 Boys	Keon (14.50m)	Charlie (13.25m)	Logan (12.50m)
Throwing Year 6 Girls	Daisy S (10.75m)	Lizzy (8.75m)	Ivy (8.25m)

Event	Winner
Year 3 Boys Running Race 1	Felix
Year 3 Boys Running Race 2	Freddie W
Year 3 Boys Running Race 3	Nickolas and Finn
Year 3 Girls Running Race 1	Imogen
Year 3 Girls Running Race 2	Elle
Year 3 Girls Running Race 3	Juliette
Year 4 Boys Running Race 1	Josiah
Year 4 Boys Running Race 2	Hobi and Ollie C
Year 4 Boys Running Race 3	Adam T
Year 4 Boys Running Race 4	Teddy S
Year 4 Girls Running Race 1	Aish K
Year 4 Girls Running Race 2	Amber H
Year 4 Girls Running Race 3	Ruby B
Year 4 Girls Running Race 4	Isy H

Event	Winner
Year 5 Boys Running Race 1	Reggie
Year 5 Boys Running Race 2	Seb CS
Year 5 Boys Running Race 3	Thomas J
Year 5 Girls Running Race 1	Katie
Year 5 Girls Running Race 2	Shayla
Year 5 Girls Running Race 3	Millie
Year 6 Boys Running Race 1	Noah
Year 6 Boys Running Race 2	Albie
Year 6 Girls Running Race 1	Bella R
Year 6 Girls Running Race 2	Lydia

Dear Parents/Carers,

### REF Week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024: 'Survival'

Our annual REF (Real Earth Force) week will be taking place in the week beginning 17th June 2024. These are exciting days when we will be taking part in environmental activities both in class and in our school grounds, including gardening and pond dipping. Some of these activities can be dirty and/or wet so please send your child in appropriately dressed, indeed a change of clothes might be sensible – all named of course. The children will be out and about as much as possible so keep an eye on the weather forecast to decide whether your child should bring in sun hat and cream or wellies and waterproofs!

To help make these days a success we would appreciate contributions from you to help with our activities. The items we need are:

- Outdoor plants particularly: bedding flowers, herb and tomato plants
- Garden canes, string and garden wire
- Garden compost/ bags of top soil
- Seeds and plant labels
- Unwanted **Soft toys for Swap Day** (running Mon-Wed)
- Donate unwanted clothing/ old shoes (in any condition) for **Recycle Textile Week**

These items can be sent in to your child's class teacher or to the school office.

During this week activities will include:

**Monday** – From today, send in Mini Gardens for competition. **Send in Soft Toys for Swap Day**

**Tuesday** – From today, send in clothing donations for **Recycle Textile Week**.

Mr Murphy -**Bee Keeper Visitor** Year 3 and Year 5

**Wednesday- REF photo competition** in by today (**£1 per photo**) emailed to office or named memory stick.

Mini Garden competition final today – remember to add your name and class to your entry.

**Hampshire Bat Group Visitor** Year 4

**Thursday** – Really Wild Dress up Day (**£1 donation for Hampshire Bat Group**) prizes for the best dressed.

All bags of textiles (old clothes, shoes, and bedding) in by today.

**Friday** - Assembly for children and competition winners. For individual competitions see attached sheet.

If you would like to help during REF week, and have been CRB/DBS checked, please join in the fun. There is plenty to do from gardening to crafting, cooking to shelter building. Any offers of help, via the school office.

Yours Sincerely

**L. Murphy**

Mrs Murphy  
Eco Committee



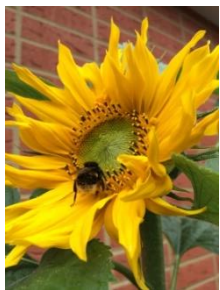
## **Get involved in REF Week: Survival! (17<sup>th</sup> June – 21<sup>st</sup> June) over half term!**

### **Survival** - Closing date: **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June**



This year we will be looking at how animals, plants and people survive in extreme conditions: desert, polar, rainforest and marine environments. Over half term, use your bush craft skills to **build a shelter/tent in your garden/ room/ woods/ on the beach?** What materials will you use- a bedsheet, sticks or a tarpaulin? Is it tiger/ polar bear proof? Will it stop the rain/sun from getting in? Can you practise some knot tying?

Can you learn how to use a compass and create a map for someone else to follow? Send in a picture (photo/drawn) & details of your shelter and survival skills during REF Week. How about **designing an eco-home/ shelter in a polar or desert biome on Minecraft?** Send in a screen grab of your creation.



### **REF Week Photo Competition** - Closing date: **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

Send in your photos taken by **YOU** of the Great British Countryside- maybe a wonderful sunset, a British bird or a giant oak tree? Entries must be on a memory stick /emailed to the school office so they can be printed and framed if you are a winner. Remember, put your full name and class on your memory stick also, where and when taken. Winners will be entered into a national competition. Amazon Gift Vouchers for the winners. **£1 entry per photo.**

### **Mini Garden Competition** – send in by **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June**



Here's a challenge for you over half term, can you design and create a mini living garden using an unusual container? Turn an empty sweet tub or a baked bean can into a flower pot, or maybe you can transform an old welly boot into a vegetable planter?

Get your creative head on and **Bring your mini garden in during REF Week.**

### **The Really Wild Dress Up Day** - **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

This year, we are staying local. Dust off your rabbit ears, dig out your butterfly wings and find your camo gear. What about feathers in your hair or flowers on your shoes? Now's your chance to express your really wild side!



To celebrate **The Really Wild Dress Up Day**, we will be dressing up – animal/ bird/ flower/ camo themed costume / t-shirt. You could definitely dress up as a BAT as our donations of **£1 per child** will raise money for the **Hampshire Bat Group**.

### **Textile Recycle Day** – donate by **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June**



As part of National Recycle Week we are encouraging children to recycle unwanted items of clothing/shoes. Any condition accepted.

Please donate **unwanted, clean items of clothing, bedding & shoes** for our Textile Recycle Day, supporting the Salvation Army to help people in need.

Send in bagged via your class teacher.

Please also send in any **used postage stamps**. We are collecting on behalf of the British Hedgehog Preservation Society.