

April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Summer term! I hope that you all had a lovely Easter holiday and managed to get some quality family time. It's great to see the children looking so smart and ready to get back to learning and to some sort of normality.

The lifting of restrictions means that later this term we will be able to invite you back into school to see the children in action as well as getting back to pre-pandemic activities such as whole school assemblies and summer fairs.

It is also exam season with Year 6 SATs, Year 4 multiplication tests, Year 2 SATs and Year 1 Phonics all coming up this term. Staff will also be busy writing your child's school report due out in July and planning for transition from Nursery to Year R and from Year to Year in the main school.

New Vision and Values

Before Christmas we asked you to give us your views on what you thought were the most important values our children should hold. Since then we have consulted Governors, Staff and most importantly the children. Thank you all for your input – we had lots to read and think about. When considering our Vision and Values we thought about values that could be understood by children in our Nursery as well as the main school.

The School Governors work closely with the school to check we are doing what we say we are doing but also to support us in improving each and every day. They are a wonderful group who do a lot behind the scenes (Let us know if you would like to be a Parent Governor). They set the Vision for the school – a statement of where we are heading.

Our Vision is for every child to love learning, be compassionate and achieve now and in the future. Working together with our communities, we will give our children roots to grow and wings to fly.

Our ultimate aim is to increase attainment in all subjects and to improve outcomes for all of our children. All this is underpinned by a core set of values you, your children and our community helped us come up with.

Our School Values					
Our School Values  <i>Come rain or shine</i>	Be Kind 	Be Respectful 	Be Inclusive 	Be Safe 	Be Your Best 

Over the next few weeks we will be learning about what each of our new School values means for us and how we can show them. If you have any feedback, please drop us a note or email.

Staffing

A big congratulation goes out to Mr Plow, our sports coach, who has just welcomed his second child into the world. We have recruited a new fabulous Pastoral support worker called Miss Hunnybun. She should be starting in the next few weeks. Mrs Simpson will be leaving us at the end of the week to train to become a midwife. She has been a brilliant servant to the school and will be missed. I know she will do really well as a midwife.

Bank holiday and Inset Day

Just a reminder that next week school and nursery will be closed on Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd of May due to bank holidays. Our last Inset day of the year will be Friday 1st July 2022.

Farlington Wrap Around Care

This child care service runs from our main school every day from 3pm to 6pm for children aged 3 to 11. Some parents use it to allow them to work and others to allow children to have social interaction outside of normal school hours. They provide a light meal and plenty of games and exercise. It's Ofsted registered, run by fully qualified staff and will accept childcare vouchers. For more information please head over to their website: [Farlington Wrap Around – Childcare and Playschemes in Hampshire](#)



Uniform and PE Days

Lovely to see so many children in the correct uniform. If your child arrive in the wrong uniform, we will offer them something from lost property if we have something appropriate and we may contact you. Please help us by ensuring your child has the correct uniform on.

PE starts from today so please ensure that your child has their correct PE kit in school. Years 1 and 3 have PE on a Tuesday, Years 2 and 6 on a Wednesday, Years 4 and 5 on a Thursday and Year R on a Friday.

Covid

Unfortunately, some restrictions do remain. If you or your child has any symptoms of Covid, please let us know and do not come to school. If a child develops symptoms in school, we will ask you to pick them up and return them when they are feeling better. If a child is tested positive for Covid, they must isolate for 3 days and only return if they are well enough and do not have a temperature.

Vaccinations for 5 to 11 year olds - You can now book vaccinations for their 5-11 year olds via the NHS website. Vaccinations remain an important weapon against the virus. More information here: [A guide for parents of children aged 5 to 11 years - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Attendance

Thank you to everyone who has supported us in ensuring good attendance for your child (outside of covid absences). Good attendance will be a key focus for this term. We are just working on ensuring that all of our processes are clear and transparent to you so you know what to expect. Please continue to use Studybugs to report any absence related issues. [Studybugs](#)

Finally – If you have anything to say, please let us know. We are always willing to listen to you as it helps us improve the school. Thank you for your continued support. Mr Vaghela, Headteacher.