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Car Park and Reception Changes

We have noticed an increase in parents parking their cars in the car park at the end of the school day and collecting their children from Reception. With immediate effect, this will no longer be permitted except in exceptional circumstances, which has been formally agreed with either Mr Hartley or Mrs Pothecary-White. We have had incidences where staff have been blocked in when needing to leave school early thus missing appointments or meetings; children at risk of being hit by cars and a few near misses, plus aggressive situations where parents have blocked other parents or children's minibuses and an argument has ensued.

Sadly, we have also had some child safeguarding issues where parents, at the end of the day, have heard confidential discussions in Reception. These have subsequently either appeared on social media or spread as gossip through our community, which is totally unacceptable.

Please understand our reasons for doing this and thank you as always.



Stubbington Meeting

Stubbington meeting - There will be an information meeting about the Stubbington residential on Wednesday 25th January at 2:45. Your child should have brought home a letter with a reply slip on. Please see the office if you do not have one.

School Uniform

A small number of children are persistently not wearing uniform, please could you ensure that your child is in the correct uniform. If your child is not wearing the correct uniform then a member of Leadership will speak to them.

Visitors have commented on how well behaved, smart and welcoming our children are. Well done. Keep up the good work.

Jewellery and Makeup

There has been an increase in children coming to school 'blinged and made-up'! As you know our school policy states that wearing jewellery is not permitted for Health & Safety reasons. We only allow small stud earrings which must be covered during PE (tape for covering will need to be supplied by yourselves). We have also had an increase in girls wearing acrylic nails, nail polish and make-up to school. This is not acceptable school wear so please ensure your child is polish and make-up free. We will be asking parents to come into school to remove nail polish and make-up from their children. It will be expected that any false/acrylic nails will be removed prior to school on Mondays.

Thank you for your continued support.

Year 6 Tennis

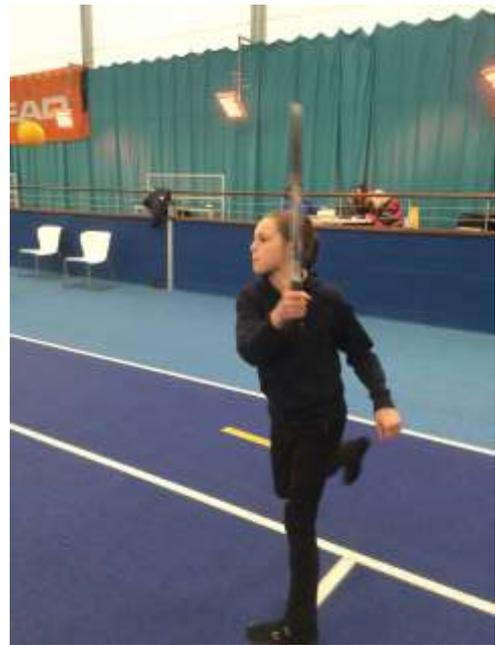
On Monday, Stingray class in year 6 went to the Portsmouth Tennis Centre for tennis lessons. Stingray class enjoyed it because we all love sport. It was great fun and because of this went SUPER quick! We travelled in the minibuses and when we arrived at the centre we got straight onto the courts

We played a warm up whilst a friend of John's set up a circuit of tennis activities for us to do. These activities included:

- Rallying (letting the ball bounce before hitting it)
- Serving (the hit that starts the game)
- Free skills (you can either practice skills or make up your own)

Once we have completed the circuit we made our way back to school. I really enjoyed it and cannot wait for next week. The whole class enjoyed it too.

By Ethan Herridge (year 6)



Sport Update

After School Clubs

Monday – **Multisports** year 1,2 and3 from 3:30pm to 4:30pm

- Football for boys and girls in years 4, 5 and 6 from 3:30pm to 4:15pm (please bring shin pads)

Tuesday – **Athletics** for boys and girls in years 5 and 6

Please bring in your school PE kit.

3:30pm to 4:15pm

Wednesday – **Gymnastics** for years 1 to 3.

Please bring in your school PE kit.

3:30pm to 4:30pm

Thursday – **Dance off** years 5 and 6. **From 3:30pm to**

5:00pm

Friday – **Cheerleading** years 4 to 6 start on Friday

20th. From 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Bikeability

Children in year 6 have the opportunity to take part in the Bikeability programme. Please return all consent forms to Mrs Unitt as soon as possible.

Year 4 Swimming

Many apologies for the change of times for the year four swimming. Unfortunately, the Mountbatten Centre has had maintenance work which has effected the opening of the pool. We have been informed that the swimming pool will be ready for use for the year 4 to start their swimming on Friday 27th January. Your child will need a swimming hat which can be purchased from the office for £1.50.

Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that our breakfast club is now free due to the generous support of 'Greggs'. Please do come along and enjoy a breakfast. At this time, however we are only providing a breakfast for children so until further notice we still have no provision to cater for parents.

Mobile Phone Use

Please can we remind parents that children are not allowed to use mobile phones while at school including after school clubs. This is for safeguarding reasons which I know you realise how important it is.

Mia Revy – Catfish Class

Mia in Catfish class attended football trials at Chelsea Football club this week. She will find out soon if she has made it through to play for Chelsea Ladies. We will update you in the next newsletter.



Sainsbury's Active Kids

Please send into school any Sainsbury's vouchers which can be used to buy PE equipment for the school. You will find the box outside Mr Leavers office. Thank you.

Cash For Kilos

In the near future we will be starting a new Fundraiser called Cash for Kilos. All children will be given a large bag to bring home which can be filled with 'good quality' items for RE-USE:

- Men's, Ladies and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Curtains
- Towels
- Bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

We **WILL NOT** be able to accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and work wear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

Cash For Kilos Continued.

Once the bag is filled it will be returned to school and a charity company will come and collect them giving us 40p per kilo.

Please start stockpiling now as all money raised will go back into the school to support your children. Please remember this fundraiser is not starting just yet so please do not bring items to school at this time.

More information to follow. Thank you.

NB. Please do not start bringing in anything until we say.

Christmas Story Competition

Below is a photo of Nellie Westbrook and Emilia Konik with their amazing stories.

