



SPRING 1 2024

29th January 2024

Tues 30 th Jan	Rescheduled Badminton Raquet Pack Festival – Perins School, Pound Hill, Alresford, SO24 9BS (4pm – 5.30pm) (By invitation only) Governors' Full Governing Body Meeting 3 – 6.30pm
Wed 31 st Jan	KS2 Gymnastics @ Oakmoor (1pm - 3pm) (By invitation only)
Fri 2 nd Feb	Sharing Worship 10.15am (Parents by invitation only)
Mon 5 th Feb	Openbox Theatre Workshop Years 3 & 4 (am)
	Openbox Theatre Workshop Rainbows (pm)
Wed 7 th Feb	Year 6 School Nursing Team Presentation & Measurements 9.15am
Thurs 8 th Feb	Years 3&4/5&6 Basketball Tournament @ Oakmoor 3.45pm - 5.30pm (By invitation only)
Fri 9 th Feb	Sharing Worship 10.15am (Parents by invitation only)
	Rainbows Stall 3.10pm
Mon 12 th Feb	HALF TERM HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 13 th Feb	HALF TERM HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
	St Matthew's February Half Term Daycare 9am - 3pm (See details below)
Wed 14 th Feb	HALF TERM HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
	St Matthew's February Half Term Daycare 9am - 3pm (See details below)
Thurs 15 th Feb	HALF TERM HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri 16 th Feb	HALF TERM HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED

ACHIEVEMENTS

STAR OF THE TERM – Friday 26th January

Rainbows – Bruce, Oak – Lydia, Apple – Perdy, Willow – Emilia, Ash – Ruben, Sycamore – Ethan, Beech – Freya

<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>



Happy Birthday to: Oak – Hetty, Apple – Ollie & Mersana, Sycamore - Joshua

Dear Parents/Guardians

We would like to congratulate our kitchen staff on a successful inspection by Environmental Health and their 5 star rating achievement. Thank you to Nina, Emma and Jade for all their hard work in providing our children with healthy, delicious meals every day and keeping our school kitchen impeccable.

Congratulations to all the children who competed in the Cross Country Competition last Monday. We are delighted to announce that Emily from Year 5 came in an impressive 8th for her year group.

Rainbows held their Heart Smart Workshop last Thursday and we thank all the parents/grandparents who attended this event and enjoyed activities with their children. We hope you found it useful.

Congratulations to Charlie, Year 4, who received his 'Prefect Badge' for always showing respect and offering to help in class.

Thank you for your continued support. Kind regards, Mrs PH

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GOVERNMENT INFORMATION - MEASLES

You will have seen the news regarding the rise in cases of measles in London and the large outbreaks in the West Midlands.

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has now declared a national incident in order to focus actions to limit the spread. Children who get measles can be very poorly and some will suffer life changing complications.

UKHSA have stated that measles is not currently circulating in the south-east, there are cases in London, but at the moment in the south-east, rashes are more likely to be for other reasons. However being prepared is important.

To support this incident the Department of Education (DfE) has published a guidance for parents and guardians:

https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2024/01/22/what-to-do-if-you-think-your-child-has-measles-and-when-tokeep-them-off-school/

SWIMMING CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to everyone who has made a contribution for swimming lessons this year. If you have not made a contribution for your child/children to receive lessons this year, please note the deadline for payments via SCOPAY is <u>Wednesday 1st May</u>. We pride ourselves in being able to provide our children with cheap weekly swimming lessons from Rainbows up to Beech; an important life skill all children should have access to learn. Please support us and help us maintain this opportunity for the children. Thank you.

TECH CAMP AT HIGHFIELD & BROOKHAM SCHOOL

Dear Parents, We are excited to announce that we will be running a Technology STEM Camp **Highfield and Brookham School, GU30 7LQ on 12th – 15th February.**

Our aim is to **inspire**, **engage** and **empower** the next generation of creators, coders and inventors. We have put together an action-packed Activity Schedule with something for every child to extend their learning in a fun and unique way using the latest and greatest tech. Activities include:

- © ROCKING ROBOT Build, program and debug...bring robots to life!
- # INGENIOUS INVENTIONS- Create electronic wonders, while exploring the world of circuits and invention with so many outstanding possibilities.
- **%** 3D CREATIONS Unlock your inner Tech Artist and create mesmerising three-dimensional creations let your imagination soar!
- MEDIA MADNESS Enthusiastic directors, actors, and content creators will delve into the captivating realms of photography and filmmaking, unlocking the artistry behind visual storytelling
- +* VIRTUAL REALITY With the magic of VR, you can explore breath-taking virtual worlds, design your own adventures, and unleash your imagination like never before.
- MINECRAFT ENGINEERING -As a Minecraft engineer, you can build incredible structures, create ingenious Redstone contraptions, and bring your wildest dreams to life.
- **CENTER** FUN Experience a mind-bending fusion of cutting-edge tech, heart-pounding action, and mindexpanding science, all in one exhilarating adventure.

All staff are DBS Checked and Qualified to run the best sessions in the safest environment. For more information check out our flyer attach, visit our website below or watch our video to see what to expect at camp https://youtu.be/VWqFyudd90U

Our camps cater to **ages 5-12**. **Spaces are limited**, so **don't miss out** and **book online today**, simply visit: <u>https://www.nextthing.education/product/highfield-and-brookham-school-february-camp/</u>

We look forward to seeing you at camp! Sincerely, Next Thing Education Camps Ltd

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ST MATTHEW'S FEBRUARY HALF TERM DAYCARE – Tuesday 13th & Wednesday 14th February

The deadline to register your child for the February Half Term Daycare was 22nd January; if you have not already signed your child up to our daycare and wish your child(ren) to attend, please let the office know if you are interested, as we still have spaces for the above two days. Each session costs £20 per child (cash only).

KS2 START TIME 8.45AM & KS1 START TIME 8.50am

We understand that some parents are not aware of the exact time that their child(ren) should be in school; to reiterate, KS2 children should be present in the classroom at 8.45am for registration and KS1 children should be present in the classroom at 8.50am for registration.

If your child is late entering school after their registration times, for a legitimate reason, please send them via the school office to be registered. Thank you for your co-operation.

ABSENCE REPORTING

Please provide a detailed reason (i.e. headache, vomited, feverish, fatigue, temperature, flu symptoms etc) for your child's absence on our dedicated absence telephone line; we receive numerous reasons such as unwell, not well in the night, which do not explain fully the reason for absence. Thank you for your co-operation.

ALSO IN BOOK BAGS/ONLINE:

- Year 3 Student Contacts Letter (Please check & return by the deadline)
- Doglaw Course What every dog owner needs to know
- Highfield & Brookham School Tech Holiday Camp February Half Term
- Bordon Good Grub Club Flyer

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