



13th October 2023

School Assemblies

Y3MJ have swapped their class assembly with Y5N so for next week, Friday 20th October will now be for Y5N and Friday, 24th November will now be Y3MJ.

The assemblies are shared across our year groups and classes so everyone gets a turn to get involved. Invites to attend are open to adults with children in the respective classes who are conducting the assembly for that week. These details are on the school calendar and sent out in each weekly bulletin, so keep an eye out for your child's class!

Harvest Festival

It was wonderful to share our harvest festival with all our families this week and a massive thank you for all the food donations received. These have been collected by Southampton City Mission to go to the food bank. Thank you everyone for your donations.

Playground Equipment

We have noticed an increasing number of children on the play/gym equipment before and after school- both on the playground and field. Mr. Weston has said he has repeatedly asked families to take children off it but has been ignored by some. As this is not supervised by staff, children should not be accessing it outside of the school day. Please support the school with this and supervise your children before and after school. Thank you.

Y7 Applications

As a reminder, if your child is currently in Y6 and will be going to secondary school, you can now [apply for your child's school place for September 2024](#). Secondary school applications are open until **31st October**.

Applications can be [submitted online](#), while paper forms can be requested by emailing admissions.team@hants.gov.uk.

Parents who apply online can log back into the system to amend their applications at any time before the closing date on 31 October 2023. Applications must be resubmitted after making any changes. Anyone who needs to make changes to a paper application should contact admissions.team@hants.gov.uk.

Parents who applied online and on time will be notified of the outcome of their application on 1 March 2024, and two to three working days later by letter if they applied using a paper form.

For more online guidance, parents should visit the [Education and Learning pages](#) on the County Council's website.

YR September 2024

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, they will be eligible to start school in the school year beginning September 2024. Applications open 1st November 2023 and the deadline is 15th January 2024 with the notification date of 16th April 2024. For support and guidance when you are applying for a school place you can contact the county admissions team on admissions.team@hants.gov.uk, Hampshire County Council Children's Services Department, Elizabeth II Court North, Winchester SO23 8UG or by calling 0300 555 1377

School Chickens

As we have welcomed some new families across the school, we are looking to welcome anyone that can offer some of their time to help keep our school chickens well looked after. If this is something you are able to do, or are interested in, please come in to the school office to see us. A huge thank you to all those parents who currently help take care of our lovely coop!

FOSPS

Our wonderful FOSPS members have been working incredibly hard and you may well have seen this week that fireworks tickets are now on sale so don't forget to grab these before they sell out. Tickets are available via the FOSPS brand new website www.pta-events.com/swanmoreprimary the website can also be accessed under the FOSPS page on the school website too www.swanmoreprimary.org.uk Please take a look at FOSPS latest newsletter which is attached for some exciting updates!

Lost Property Display

On Thursday, 19th October 3.30pm – 4.00pm, there will be the opportunity to claim any lost property that has been handed in over the term which will be displayed outside the hall if the weather is dry, if it is wet this will be held in the library. Any items that are left after Thursday, 19th October will be disposed of.

Inset Days for the Academic Year 23/24

Monday, 30th October
Monday, 20th November
Tuesday, 2nd January
Friday, 3rd May

School Closures for the Academic Year 23/24

Friday, 29th March Good Friday
Monday, 6th May Early May bank holiday

Diary Dates for the Autumn Term

Monday, 16th October	Y5N Woods Visit
Monday, 16th October- Wednesday, 18th October	Y4M Minstead Residential
Tuesday, 17th October	Y5H Woods Visit
Thursday, 19th October	Y2 Brickworks Museum Visit
Thursday, 19th October	Lost Property Sale
Wednesday, 18th October- Friday, 20th October	Y4S Minstead Residential
Friday, 20th October	Y5N Class Assembly
Monday, 23rd - Friday, 27th October	Half Term
Monday, 30th October	Inset Day
Friday, 3rd November	Be Bright Be Seen Non-Uniform Day
Friday, 3rd November	Fireworks Night
Wednesday, 8th November	Y6K Worship Assembly
Monday, 13th November	Y1-6 Parents Evening
Wednesday, 15th November	FOSPS AGM
Thursday, 23rd November	Y1-6 Parents Evening
Friday, 24th November	Y3MJ Class Assembly
Friday, 1st December	Y3G Class Assembly
Friday, 1st December	Christmas is Coming Non-Uniform Day
Friday, 1st December	Christmas Jumper Sale and Drinks