



17th November 2023

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday, 21st after the Monday, 20th inset day.

St Barnabas Church Toy Service - Sunday 3rd December, 10am

This year's donation of toys (new and good-as-new) will happen on Sunday 3rd December at 10am. Please have a look and see what you can give. Robert the Bear is indisposed this year as he is moving to a new home so we are going to donate our toys to the Salvation Army, who will use them for Christmas boxes and in their refuges, and to a charity called SNUG (Soberton and Newtown Ukraine Group) who collect toys for Ukrainian children living within Hampshire and also for Ukraine Relief who help children still in Ukraine, many sadly living in orphanages. Please either drop off your toys to the Church in advance, leaving them in the Link entrance or bring with you on the day of the Service.

Non-Uniform Day and Christmas Jumper Sale – Friday 1st December

FOSPS are kicking off December with two fun events! First off there will be a non-uniform day in return for two gifts for the annual Christmas gift sale. FOSPS kindly ask for one gift suitable for a male and one gift suitable for a female. Please do not send products which contains nuts (this includes Celebration chocolates) or alcohol.

Straight after school on Friday 1st December FOSPS will also be having a Christmas jumper sale as well as serving hot drinks and sweet treats. This will take place on the school playground and depending on volunteers FOSPS also hope to have some festive games. If you have any Christmas jumpers (or other festive wear) you would like to donate please drop these into the school office between Tuesday 21st and Friday 24th November. We kindly ask that items are clean and in good condition.

Find out more on FOSPS [website](#)

FOSPS AGM – Wednesday 6th December @ 7pm

Please note this has now been moved to December. FOSPS are looking for a couple more committee members as well as a regular pool of volunteers. If you would like to find out more please join the FOSPS team in the school hall for a nibble and a drink on Wednesday 6th December.

Easyfundraising

This is a FREE way to raise funds for the school. Every time you shop online retailers make a donation to our school, which is just fantastic and with Black Friday looming it's a great time to start.

Visit [easyfundraising](#) to find out more.

Music Lessons

We have had some spaces become available for both violin and singing lessons and if your child is interested please get in touch with Mrs. Lamport on r.parker@swanmore-pri.hants.sch.uk

Mud Kitchen Equipment

Year 5 have been making a mud kitchen and are searching for equipment. If you happen to have a metal sink, pots, pans or utensils please could you pass them to the office. They would be very much appreciated, thank you.

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 555 137.

Diary Dates for the Autumn Term

Monday, 20th November	Inset day (school closed)
Thursday, 23rd November	Y1-6 Parents Evening
Friday, 24th November	Y3MJ Class Assembly
Monday, 27th November	Y6 Visit to Southampton Art Gallery
Friday, 1st December	Y3G Class Assembly
Friday, 1st December	Christmas is Coming Non-Uniform Day
Friday, 1st December	Christmas Jumper Sale and Drinks
Monday, 4th December	Y4S Parents Evening
Wednesday, 6th December	FOSPS AGM
Thursday, 7th December	Y3 Visit to Seacity Museum
Friday, 8th December	YR Nativity
Monday, 11th December	Y4S Parents Evening
Tuesday, 12th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity - 2.30-3pm
Wednesday, 13th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity - 2.30-3pm

Inset Days for the Academic Year 23/24

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