



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 24th September 2021

Monday 27 September is an INSET day

Please remember that Monday 27th September is an INSET day and pupils must not attend school. Pupils return when school re-opens on Tuesday 28th September.

How do pupils feel about coming back to school?

Jack N, Year 3: I am really proud that I got star of the week last week for answering questions in class. I love the maths because it is much more challenging at the Junior School.

Hannah V, Year 4: I am really proud of getting star of the week because I have been really kind and caring towards my peers. I am really proud of my work because Mrs Ellwood is a really good teachers and she has been helping me improve.

Florence G, Year 5: I love that we can mix with different year groups again, especially during celebration assembly. We can share our successes from the week with each other which has been lovely! It is great that everything is back up and running like normal again.

Zeke B, Year 6: I have been really enjoying learning about World War 2. I felt sad when I learnt about the ordeals that children faced when they had to leave their parents behind to live in the countryside.

Village Connect Trail – this weekend

The Village Connect Trail is a walking route on mainly footpaths, covering 16 miles in length connecting Hartley Wintney, Hook and Odiham and has been produced as a post COVID opportunity for our communities to get out in the fresh air and raise money through sponsorship for our local schools.

Sign up for the walk [using the Lions registration page](#). Make a donation via the [Village Connect JustGiving page](#).

The Hook & Odiham Lions Club and Rotary Club of Odiham and Hook have organised this event with the help of other Village Connect partners and schools, and like other charitable organisations have had almost no fund-raising events for more than a year but identified this opportunity to assist local schools directly, who themselves have faced quite unique challenges during the pandemic. The event will take place on 25th and 26th September 2021 and start at a place on the route and a time of your choosing.

We've included a flyer for the Village Connect Trail at the end of this newsletter and you can also find out much more, including how to participate and raise funds for both schools via the Odiham and Lions website.

Year 3 Science

Year 3 have been learning all about plants in science. We identified the parts of a plant and learned about the different functions of each part. Our text guided text links into this, where we are learning all about trees.



Year 5 have experienced some new tastes

As part of their current Design and Technology work, today Year 5 tried a range of ingredients to find out which flavours they might like to add to their infused Harvest loafs.

Many children even enjoyed a new flavour they hadn't had before!



Toppings	Texture	Arama	Appearance	Taste	Overall rating 1 low 5 high
Cheese	Crumbly Slimy, fluffy	Strong, sharp	White, Plain, pale	Favourful, tangy	3
Olives	silky, smooth	Salty, fresh	gloomy green, smooth	Tangy, flavourful	5
Sun dried tomatoes	mushy, squishy, slimy	fruity, vinegary	dull, bland	flavour some salty vigor, tangy	3
Pesto Courgette	juicy, hard, soft	fresh, fruity	circular, lime	crunchy, tasteless, bland	2
Garlic	hard, crunchy	strong, pungent	tiny, cream	tangy, spicy	3
Rosemary	hard, soft	fragrant, fresh	small, light green		3

Safe, Healthy Food at School

To safely accommodate children and staff with a nut allergy, please ensure your child's packed lunches are free from nuts. Those with allergies to nuts often have different degrees of sensitivity and this can include food items where traces of nut may exist. This means that, for example, sandwiches must not contain hazelnut spread and that cereal bars must be free from nuts. Where pre-packed snacks form part of your child's lunch, please check the allergies notice before sending your child to school with them.

All children are encouraged to bring a healthy snack for morning break. Snacks should be vegetable or fruit – naturally low in sugar, salt and fat content.

If you send your child to school with a packed lunch, please prepare food appropriately. For their safety, we supervise children when they are eating. To minimise the risk of choking, particularly for children in year 3, please chop larger items into small, bite size pieces.

Walk to school week

Monday 4th October to Friday 8th October is Walk to School Week for Hampshire schools. We would be grateful if as many of you as possible were able to take part. If you are unable to walk the whole distance, you could park a little further away and walk the last part of the journey. The school 'Junior Road Safety Officers' (JRSOs) are currently working on some resources to share with the children.

Portrait photographs

This week children had their photographs taken by the school photographer, Cardwell and Simons. We will receive proofs in the coming week or two and these will be sent home for you to review. Details of prints available and how to order will be included with the proof. Orders can be placed online and we encourage you to use this method for purchasing any pictures.

Sibling photographs have not been taken as planned during this session and we are hopeful that these can instead be taken during the summer term when Cardwell and Simons return to our school and take whole class photographs.

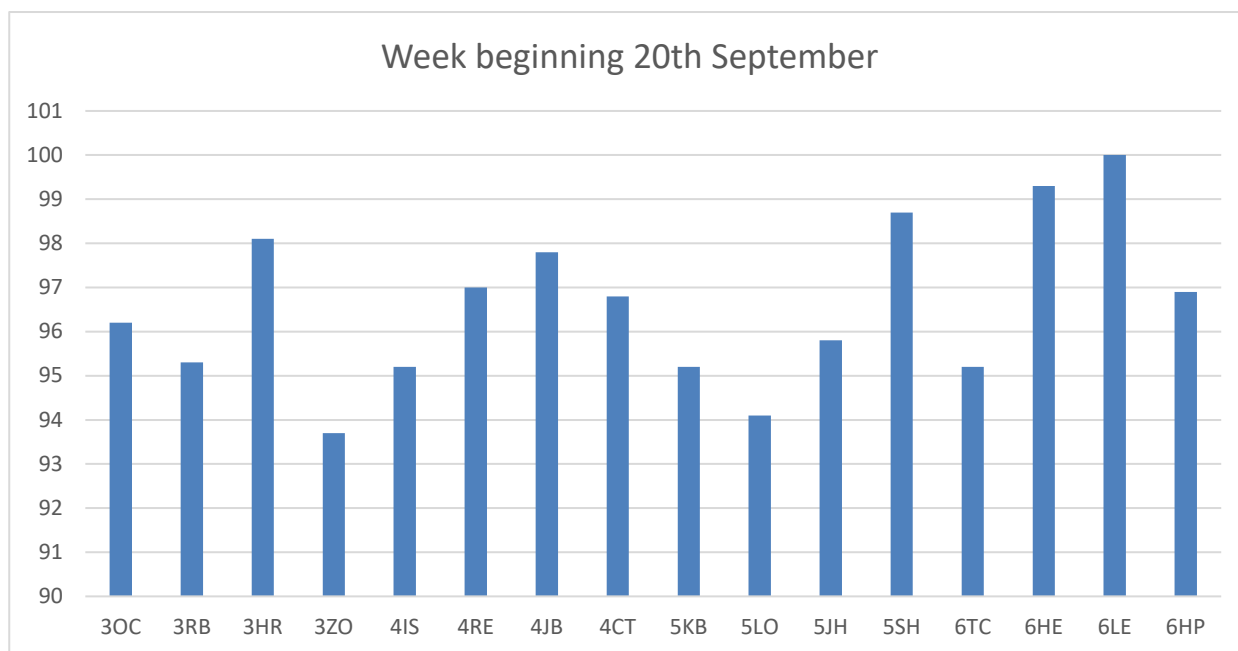
Help for families struggling with utility bills

If you are having difficulties with the cost of energy bills, you may be eligible for a free fuel voucher from Citizens Advice to help pay for your utilities.

For more details and to find local branch contact details [visit the Citizens Advice website](#).

Attendance This Week

Every day counts... Your child's attendance matters!



Whole school attendance 96%. Well done to class 6LE for 100% attendance

Stars of the Week

Year 3: Amelia H, Benjamin P, Sol CH & Oscar P

Year 4: Lewis R, Kayden WA, Hannah V & Evie B

Year 5: Jess V, Eibhlin W, Charlotte F, Daniel P, Josh M & Maya S

Year 6: Finn B, Pauravi P, Josh B & Felicity H

House point winners this week: [Austen](#)

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Key Dates

27 Sep	INSET Day
04 Oct	Walk to School week
05 Oct	Hook Schools Community Association (HSCA) AGM, 7:30pm
13 Oct	Open morning for Year 2 Parents
14 Oct	Flu immunisations
18 Oct	Learning Consultations – face to face
19 Oct	Learning Consultations - online
21 Oct	Harvest Festival – 5SH and 5JH, 9:00 to parents / carers
21 Oct	Harvest Festival – 5LO and 5KB, 2:15 to parents / carers
25 Oct	Autumn Half Term
25 Oct	Bikeability for Year 6 Pupils only
01 Nov	INSET Day
02 Nov	Pupils return to school
06 Nov	HSCA Fireshow
27 Nov	HSCA Christmas Fair
07 Dec	Year 4 Christmas Play, 9:15 to parents / carers
07 Dec	Year 4 Christmas Play, 1:45 to parents / carers
08 Dec	Year 4 Christmas Play, 1:45 to parents / carers
17 Dec	End of Term – 1:30 finish
28 Feb 2022	INSET Day
19 May 2022	Class Photos



HOOK & ODIHAM LIONS ARE CO-ORDINATING
THE VILLAGE CONNECT TRAIL

SATURDAY 25TH & SUNDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER

A SPONSORED WALK TO RAISE MONEY FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS

- ♥ Enjoy the local countryside in an event for all local residents
- ♥ Connecting the local villages in an event for our community
- ♥ Support local pubs and outlets

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER GO TO
<https://www.hookandodihamlions.co.uk/villagetrailwalk.html>



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