



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 15 September 2023

Congratulations to our new Prefects

Congratulations to the following pupils who have earned the privileged position of Prefect at Hook Junior School – Paige M; Evie B; Delia S; Arianne I; William R; Isla H; Edward P; James W; William P; Hannah V; Sehansa D S; Eleanor D.

Staffing News

Sadly, we are drawing to the end of an era as we will soon be saying good-bye to Mrs Chapman when she works her last day with us on Wednesday 27 September.

Mrs Chapman has provided the school, its pupils and the community with 24 years of service, starting as a parent helper and going on to work as an LSA and in the office, where she currently works. Her quiet, calm and caring nature has proven successful in school, particularly with her hands-on approach to children's welfare. We wish Mrs Chapman all the best in her new venture.

Administration Assistant Vacancy

We are currently advertising for Mrs Chapman's replacement in the school office. If you are interested, or you know of anyone who might be, please [visit the Hampshire Education Jobs website for more information](#).

Asthma Drop-in Session

A reminder that the Paediatric Respiratory Nursing Team at Frimley Health are holding a drop-in coffee morning in school on Tuesday 19 September from 8.45am.

Members from the Nursing Team will be available to answer questions and provide support. They will also have promotional material, information and demonstrations to share with parents.

Please let us know if you would like to attend by [emailing](#) or calling the school office (01256 762 468). contact the office to book a place if you would like to attend.

Applying for a Secondary School Place

Applications for secondary school places opened on Monday 11 September and guidance letters on how to apply for your child's Year 7 school were sent to parents by Parent Mail on Monday. You must make your application [via the Hampshire School Admissions pages](#).

Robert May's are holding Open Evenings for Year 6 pupils and their families on Wednesday 20 September. Open Mornings for parents and carers are taking place on Wednesday 4, Thursday 5 and Friday 6 October. Please see flyer at the end of this communication for more detailed information.

School Photographs

School photographers are visiting on Wednesday 20 September to take individual and sibling photographs of Hook Junior School children. **All children should come to school in their full uniform on Wednesday, regardless of their scheduled P.E days.**

Drop-in Coffee Morning Invitation

You are invited to join us for an informal coffee morning on Wednesday 4 October from 8.45am. This is an opportunity to drop in, enjoy a hot drink and a pastry and talk to us. To help us cater for the expected number of visitors, please complete the ParentMail form we circulated on Monday 11 September if you will be attending. We look forward to seeing you!

Year 6 Residential to Marchants Hill

A reminder that there is a meeting for year 6 parents and carers at 5pm on Monday 18 September, we hope you are able to join us. Please remember to complete and return the medical and consent forms that were sent by Parent Mail last week. Please ask the office for a hard copy if necessary.

Starlight Stage School

There are still places available on Monday's afterschool drama club; please see flyer at the end of this communication for more information.

Chelsea Afterschool Football Club

We understand that some parents have been unable to contact the Chelsea Foundation by email using the address published on our website. This was due to an error in the address published, which we have now corrected. The Chelsea Foundation can be contacted by email using the corrected address, or by calling the telephone number also advertised. If your child would still like to join an after school football club facilitated by the Chelsea Foundation, we encourage you to contact them again. Places may not immediately be available, however with sufficient demand additional sessions may be added.

Key dates for next academic year

Key dates for the academic year are listed on the Events page in the Parents section of our website. We have also listed them below for your convenience. Events have been planned as early as possible to give families as much notice as possible to attend. Please make a note of any events that are relevant to you and your child. Further reminders and arrangements for each event will be shared with you nearer the time.

Attendance

Whole School Attendance this week: 97.6%

Stars of the Week

Year 3: Imogen M, Immi B, Mason P, Corban B

Year 4: Zak, George F, Toby B, Sienna D

Year 5: Isis B, Harry R, Lexie C, Caitlin D

Year 6: Hannah V, Ellie-Mai B, Eloise T, Magda C, Maddison

House Points this week

Austen: 185

Brunel: 175

Nightingale: 199

Wellington: 204

House point winners this week: Wellington

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Key Dates

New dates added since the last Newsletter appear in green

Dates for 2023 - 2024

18 Sep Year 6 Marchants Hill Information Evening - 5pm

19 Sep Asthma Drop-in morning for parents organised by Frimley Health NHS (tbc)

20 Sep Individual and Sibling Photographs in school

21 Sep National Fitness Day Lunchtime Bootcamp

25 Sep Inset Day – school closed to children

4 Oct Coffee Morning for Junior Parents - 8.45am

9 Oct Learning Consultations for Parents - 3.30pm until 6.30pm

10 Oct Learning Consultations for Parents – 3.30pm until 6.30pm

11 Oct Open Morning for Infant parents – 9am

16 Oct Year 6 Residential Trip to Marchants Hill

30 Oct Inset Day – school closed to children

1 Nov – Year 5 Marchants Hill Information Evening – 5pm

4 Nov HSCA Firework Show

13 Nov Astronomer visit for Year 5 (back up date is 20 Nov)

13 Nov Odd Socks Day

13-17 Nov Anti-Bullying Week

21 Nov Year 5 Performance (5TC and 5GH) – 9.15am

22 Nov Year 5 Performance (5BL and 5PB) – 9.15am

30 Nov Year 3 Learning Event – 2pm

30 Nov Flu Vaccinations in School

2 Dec HSCA Christmas Fair

8 Dec Year 6 Learning Event – 2pm

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12 Dec Christmas Production (4HR and 4GG) – 9.15am, parents to arrive from 8.45am

13 Dec Carols around the Tree – 4pm

13 Dec Christmas Lunch for Pupils

14 Dec Christmas Production (4RE and 4CT) – 9.15am, parents to arrive from 8.45am

2024

2 Jan Inset Day – school closed to children

5 Jan Year 5 Swimming starts (classes tbc)

15 Jan Pupil Progress Meetings (all week)

23 Jan Young Shakespeare Company Visit

24 Jan Coffee Morning for all Parents – 8.45am

29 Jan Young Voices Concert (selected Choir members)

5 Feb Learning Consultations – appointments between 3.30pm until 6.30pm

6 Feb Learning Consultations – appointments between 3.30pm until 6.30pm

6 Feb Safer Internet Day

19 Feb Inset Day – school closed to children

4 Mar SATs Presentation to Parents – 5pm

7 Mar World Book Day

11 Mar Science Week (all week)

14 Mar Gremlin Dance Challenge

15 Mar Red Nose Day

27 Mar Year 3 Easter Service in the Church (Learning Event) – 9.30am

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8 May Coffee Morning for Parents of Year 2 Children – 8.45am

13 May SATs Week

29 Apr Open Box Theatre Company visit for Year 5

14 Jun Class Allocation Letters to Parents

17 Jun Sports Day

19 Jun Information Evening for Parents of Children in Year 2 - 5pm

5 Jul End of Year Reports to Parents

10 Jul Strawberry Tea

Safeguarding your children is our priority. Please contact the schools Designated Safeguarding Leads, either Mrs L Martin (Headteacher), Mrs N Bailey (Deputy Headteacher), Miss J Carne (Inclusion Leader) or Miss E Smith

(SENDCo) with any concerns. Further Safeguarding information and support can be found via www.NSPCC.org.uk or Childline 0800 1111. Any concerns may also be raised directly with Hampshire County Council Children's services phone line (anonymously if you wish) by calling 0300 555 1384. Keeping our children safe is everyone's responsibility.