



Orchard Lea Junior School

NEWS



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Thank you to all of the families who supported our recent grounds day. It was lovely to have so many people working together in school. A letter has been sent out with details of the upcoming film night and discos. If any parents are able to help out on these evenings, please contact the office. The profits from these events will be put towards our outdoor learning, in particular a covered reading area. We are still collecting 2L plastic bottles for our green house. They are being stored in the art room. We need over 1000 bottles in total to create the green house!

We have noticed that children are bringing in snacks which do not follow our healthy snack guidelines. The children are allowed to bring in their own fruit, raw vegetables or cereal bars to eat for the mid-morning break. Water is available at break and over the course of the day. Please ensure your child's snack follows the guidelines. Thank you.

Our school council have successfully set up the tuck shop again this term. This is open every day in the school hall. There is a range of healthy snacks available— all items cost less than 50p. The profits from the tuck shop are used to run school events such as the film nights, discos and fayres. Children are responsible for their money and can only bring it into school with their parents permission. Their money should only be used to buy their own snack. Please note Year 3 money has to be in a named envelope or purse and handed to the class teacher.

As a school, we support various charities across the year. In October, we have 3 charity events. On Wednesday 10th October, children can wear yellow clothing to school in support of World Mental Health Day. They can wear an entirely yellow outfit or a few yellow items. A 50p donation to take part would be much appreciated. Our Harvest Festival is coming up and we also have the shoe box appeal running— please bring any complete shoe boxes to the office.

The children have been given a login to a new times tables game called 'Times tables rock stars'. The link to the website is on our website in the Maths section. <https://play.ttrockstars.com/login/20448>. The aim of this is to encourage pupils to practise their times tables more regularly.

We currently have a cleaner vacancy in school. This is a part time position for 7.5 hours a week either before or after school. If you are interested in applying for this position or wish to find out more details, please speak to the office or look on the Hampshire website. <https://hampshire.education-jobs.org.uk/Vacancy/SearchResults>



DIARY DATES

October

Monday 8th—Parent coffee morning with Mrs Abbott and Mrs Pink

Wednesday 10th—Wear yellow (50p donation) in support of World Mental Health Day

Thursday 11th—Film Night (Paddington 2)

Tuesday 16th—Year 5 to host the Harvest Festival 9am (Year 5 parents invited)

Wednesday 17th—Year 5 parent topic event

Friday 19th—Year 3 parent topic event 2.30pm

Half term (Saturday 20th—Sunday 28th October)

Monday 29th to Friday 2nd —Year 6 residential to Osmington Bay

November

Monday 5th—INSET day

Friday 9th—Year 3, 4 and 5 flu vaccines

Tuesday 13th—Year 3 trip to Marwell

Friday 16th—Year 5 trip to Stubbington Study Centre

Friday 30th—Prokick Challenge

December

Tuesday 4th—Year 6 topic event (Change of date)

Friday 7th—Christmas Fayre

Tuesday 11th—Year 4 Ukulele Concert 2.30pm

Thursday 13th—Year 5 Keyboard Concert 2.30pm

Monday 17th—INSET day

Wednesday 19th—Year 3 Performance (times TBC)

Friday 21st—Carol concert 11.45am (Parents invited) and children to finish at 12.30pm

Mrs Pink, our Parent Support Advisor, would like to share her mobile number in case any parents would like to get in touch 07719412231.