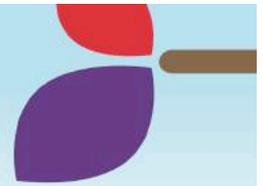


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## THE SQUIRREL



*"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them"* Robert Laurence Binyon 1914



Whole School Attendance  
since 5th September 2016:

**98.10%**



Reverend Amanda began our week with a remembering assembly. This links to Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday, which we are supporting in school through the Royal British Legion **Poppy Appeal** so don't forget your pennies! Armistice Day is on Friday and we will be honouring the two-minute's silence for those who gave so much in the past, for those who are giving so much now and for a future without conflict.

Thank you for those of you who have already brought in a **bottle donation**. We are collecting for the **Christmas Fayre** and bottles can either be brought to the office or left in the ICT room where Andrea will collect them daily. The raffle tickets competition has begun well and at the moment Esio Trot has taken an early lead in the class competition – Miss Hopkinson will be pleased! Next week we are asking for **class hamper donations**. Andrea is available **tomorrow from 1.30pm** in the Art Room to start preparations for the Christmas Fayre. All help is much appreciated. We would also like to decide on a project that the funds from the Christmas Fayre will go towards. Do come along and share your ideas with Andrea. It really helps make our school a better place to be.

This afternoon Chris Bamber, Atlas Images, is in for **sibling photographs**. If this is successful we could look to hold a family portrait session maybe twice a year. The photographs have been lovely this year and I have thoroughly enjoyed looking through them. Perfect gifts for families.

Tomorrow Mike Fleetham is working with us all day and after school. We are developing independence throughout the school this year and it was lovely to see on **Class Dojo** Year 6 working independently and it being celebrated. If you have not signed up to Class Dojo please do, it is a fabulous programme that allows us to share learning in school and for you to share learning at home, and it also ensures communication between us. They have just brought in a new Student Profile within Class Dojo, which we hope to also develop over the next few weeks.

On Thursday the last of our Year 6 children will be visiting the **Isle of Wight College** for a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematical session on Formula One racing. The feedback from these sessions has been really good and the children have thoroughly enjoyed it. We will be having further sessions at the STEM centre after Christmas. **Year 6** are also holding their **Speaking and Listening presentations** on Friday. The art of speaking is a really good skill to develop and will help through their future school careers but also in the workplace so do come along and support your children in their presentations. Some of the Year 5 children were just amazing.

We had our first **Global Rock** meeting on Friday and I have to congratulate everyone as it was the first time we had everyone there who said they wanted to be there! Mary completed a dance

routine and asked the children to show a special move, and I know that both she and Chloe were very impressed by some of the children's ability to bend and cartwheel and do the splits! Mary and Chloe are going to assign children to scenes and the first scene will rehearse tomorrow within school. There will then be a rehearsal schedule drawn up by the end of the week. Don't forget to join us if you can to help with props, costumes, hair and makeup and stage set. We have to aim even higher this year.

The children really enjoyed our **RE day** and we explored some sensitive issues. The feedback from the teachers was really positive and they were very impressed with how the children thought through the different approaches to death and talked openly about their own experiences. We were very proud of them.

We were also very proud of the twelve children who visited Portsmouth University last week to participate in a range of scientific activities, meet Dallas Campbell and of course **Major Tim Peake** himself, who was as lovely and as brilliant as we all thought he would be.

You should have received a **new menu** from Chartwells on Friday. I have spoken with Chartwells and we have made a few changes to the menu, including a breakfast brunch on the Monday of the third week and a few other tweaks. We are just waiting for an amended menu to come through by email and we will forward on to you. We are also going to introduce a **'tasting fruit or vegetable of the week'** so that the children can experience new flavours that may appear on the menu. We would also like the children to have a **'favourite meal day'**, where they can vote for their favourite meal and the kitchen will put it on, on a special day each half term. We were also discussing our Key Stage 2 lunch sitting and have decided that we would like to trial Key Stage 2 in the same way that we provide Key Stage 1. This will mean that children will be asked to decide in the mornings if they would like the vegetarian option, main meal option, jacket potato, baguette or soup and a sandwich. Their lunch will then be given to them at their tables rather than having to queue up at the serving hatch. We are hoping this will mean that lunchtime can run more smoothly for Key Stage 2 and will of course let you know how it goes.

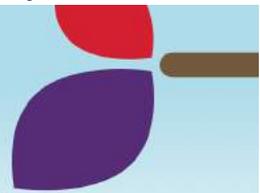
I have recently noticed lots of children wearing their white logo polos without the blue slip. **Our blue slip** is the most important part of our uniform and should be worn at all times, except in the summer months when it is very warm and it is then we ask for a white logo polo. It is getting colder and a blue slip is a must at this time of year.

Brrr! It is cold outside and toasty inside. Please may I ask that children have their **coats, hats and gloves** so that when we do venture outside they can keep nice and warm. Maybe we will have snow this year...

*Caroline Sice*



48 sleeps...



**DEVELOPMENT DAYS 2016-17:**

- Monday 5th June
- Tuesday 6th June
- Wednesday 7th June
- Thursday 8th June
- Friday 9th June



**A HUGE THANK YOU!**  
To  
**Southern Co-op, WightFibre and Spinlock**

who have very generously sponsored our 2017 Global Rock Challenge. Without the support of our fabulous local community we wouldn't be able to provide such amazing opportunities for our children. Thank you!

**Soup & a Sandwich now available:**

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|------------|---------------|
| Mondays    | Tomato        |
| Tuesdays   | Chicken       |
| Wednesdays | Leek & Potato |
| Thursday   | Vegetable     |
| Friday     | Minestrone    |

Please order on the day - a parent signature is required  
Dessert is also included. £2.15

**Star Awards Year 1 Mrs Price**

Maths  
Improved Handwriting  
Build-ability

Liam Robinson  
Bill Parker  
Nathan Proctor



**Star Awards Year 1 Mrs Gilbert**

Star Work  
Improved Handwriting  
Stick-ability  
Pride-ability

Lexi Anderson  
Lexi Anderson  
Thomas Toner  
Lucien Isted



**Thank you!**

To the following for donations towards our Christmas Raffle:

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|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Calbourne Mill              | IOW Zoo           |
| Cowes Co-op                 | Marks and Spencer |
| Terry Carpenter             | Beresfords        |
| J R Zone                    | Dinosaur Isle     |
| Toninos                     | The Plaza         |
| Sue Harding                 | Southern Vectis   |
| Sam Ironman                 | Morrisons         |
| Isle of Wight Steam Railway |                   |



If you know any local businesses that may be able to donate a raffle prize please let us know! The more the merrier! Thank you ☺

**Star Awards Year 3 Mr Andre**

Improved Literacy  
'Yes I Can'

Lexi Gledhill  
Nanci Phillips



**Star Awards Year 3 Miss Westbrook**

'Yes I Can'  
Team-ability  
Compassion

Finley Lansley-Brown  
Kasey Mayne  
Lyla Hunter



**Star Awards Year 5 Mrs Mayes**

Star Work  
Home Learning  
Citizenship  
Citizenship

Owen Bush  
Kieron Kaya  
Kashmira Woodford  
Brogan Spiers



**Star Awards Year Mrs Dyer**

Consistent Presentation  
Pride-ability  
Stick-ability

Declan Reilly  
Leo Worthing  
Noel Cantillon



**Lunchtime Awards**

Leana Hough  
Jacob Blow  
Theo Butcher



Elliott Carr  
Tiffany Wilkie  
Toby Fowler

**WE MET MAJOR TIM PEAKE!**



**Mr Cooper's Maths Challenge**

Mr Cooper is sad no one came to him with the correct answer of 49 (except Mr Attrill, so he gets the Dojo's!) Lets try harder this week:



**True or False:**

£25000 > 250000 10p coins.  
Explain the answer to me in writing or verbally to win 5 Dojos!



**'Pure Imagination'**

**Roald Dahl Themed Christmas Fayre Monday 5th December**

Does anyone have a **gazebo** we could borrow for the Christmas Fayre? Please let Andrea know - we would need it on Friday 2nd December.

Keep selling those **raffle tickets** - remember there is a class competition!  
If you have not already donated a **bottle** please bring to school this week - thank you!

**Walking Netball** at Cowes Enterprise College on Friday evenings 6pm-7pm £3.00 per session

Contact: [rozdavitt@hotmail.com](mailto:rozdavitt@hotmail.com) 07913 022436

**'Blast From the Past' Dinosaur Isle Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th November FREE ENTRY 10am - 3pm**

Lots of activities for children and families with an emphasis on creativity and interactivity

**Congratulations Millie-Anne Collett**

Millie came fourth in her dance competition and also won

'Dancer of the Day'



Well done Millie!

**Attendance week ending 4th November 2016**

- Esio Trot 97.6%
- The Giraffe, the Pelly & Me 98.8%
- The Magic Finger 98.3%
- The Twits 99.1%
- James & the Giant Peach 99.0%
- George's Marvellous Medicine 100%
- The Enormous Crocodile 100%
- Charlie Chocolate 99.0%
- Charlie Glass Elevator 99.0%
- The BFG 99.3%
- Matilda 96.3%
- The Witches 94.7%
- Danny, Champion of the World 100%
- Going Solo 98.4%
- Boy: Tales of Childhood 97.0%

**Whole school 98.4%**





**DATES**  
 Autumn Term Theme:  
 'We Are the Dreamers of Dreams'  
 Roald Dahl

November Mon 7th	Year 1 parents invited to lunch all week. £2.95, please book at the office	December Thu 1st	CSI workshop @ Newchurch Celebration Assembly Yrs 1, 3 & 5 @ 8.45am
Mon 7th	'Bring a Bottle!' For the Christmas Fayre (squash, ketchup, shampoo, lemonade etc) must be full and in date please!	Fri 2nd	<b>MUFTI DAY</b> in return for donations of non-perishable items ie tombola items, bric-a-brac, toys, tins of food, sweets etc (nut free please)
Mon 7th	Atlas Images – photographs for siblings - by appointment only please	Fri 2nd	Year 4 swimming wk 9
Tue 8th Tue 8th Tue 8th Wed 9th Thu 10th	Year 5 cemetery visit Mums' Coffee Morning 9am Mike Fleetham in Flu nurse in school	Mon 5th Mon 5th	Christmas Week 1 Year 5 parents invited to lunch all week. £2.95, please book at the office
Thu 10th	Pupil Council with Mr Cooper 8.40am	Mon 5th	<b>Donations of perishable items</b> ie cakes, mince pies and biscuits (nut free please)
Fri 11th	IW College STEM session for Year 6 9.30-11.30 (15 children)	<b>Mon 5th</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS FAYRE</b> 5pm – 7pm
Fri 11th	Celebration Assembly Yrs 2, 4 & 6 @ 8.45am		<i>If you would like to help at the Christmas Fayre in any way, please let us know!</i>
Mon 14th	Year 2 parents invited to lunch all week. £2.95, please book at the office	Wed 7th	Parent Forum meeting 2 @ 9am
Mon 14th	<b>Hamper donations</b> – please see the Christmas Fayre information letter for the items each class is collecting	Wed 7th Thu 8th	Pre-school Nativity 1pm Christmas Tree for Methodist Church
Tue 15th Tue 15th	Mums' Coffee Morning 9am Money Group governors meeting	Thu 8th	Pupil Council with Mr Cooper 8.40am
Wed 16th Wed 16th Thu 17th Thu 17th Fri 18th Fri 18th	Pobble Writing Day Fire Drill 10.30am School nurse in Full Governing Body meeting Children in Need Day Celebration Assembly Yrs 1, 3 & 5 @ 8.45am	Thu 8th Thu 8th Thu 8th Fri 9th Fri 9th	Young Musicians @ Portsmouth Guildhall Full Governing Body meeting Celebration Assembly Yrs 2, 4 & 6 @ 8.45am Year 4 swimming week 10 (last one) Clubs Finish
Fri 18th	<b>No Yr 4 swimming</b> this week	Fri 9th	
Mon 21st	Year 3 parents invited to lunch all week. £2.95, please book at the office	Mon 12th Mon 12th	Christmas Week 2 Year 6 parents invited to lunch all week. £2.95, please book at the office
Mon 21st Tue 22nd Tue 22nd Wed 23rd Thu 24th	Road Safety week Mums' Coffee Morning 9am AEN Coffee Afternoon 2pm Progression Team meeting Pupil Council with Mr Cooper 8.40am		Christmas performances and nativity this week – dates and times TBC. Watch this space!
Fri 25th	Celebration Assembly Yrs 2, 4 & 6 @ 8.45am	Fri 16th	Whole school Christmas lunch
Fri 25th	Year 4 swimming wk 8	<b>Fri 16th</b>	<b>End of Term 2.45pm</b>
Mon 28th	Year 4 parents invited to lunch all week. £2.95, please book at the office		 <b>Happy Holidays</b>
Tue 29th Tue 29th Wed 30th	OPEN DAY 2 Mums' Coffee Morning 9am Celebration Day	<b>January 2017:</b> <b>Tue 3rd</b>	<b>School open</b>