



**Headteacher**  
**Miss K Greenway**

13<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents

Wow - nearly the end of the first half term!! How has that happened? The children have settled so well in their new classes and made new friends and learnt lots of things – but there are also some very tired children!! One more week and then they will be able to recharge their batteries.

#### Things to celebrate

This week the children in Year R, 1 and 2 had a visit from Sarah and Harold from SCARF. Each workshop focussed on healthy eating, looking after our bodies and feelings and helping each other. The children loved the workshops, which were active and engaging. A big thank you to FOPS, who each year pay for our SCARF subscription which pays for the lesson plans, resources, staff training and these workshops. There are some photos of the workshops on our website, which can be found here: News and Events – Photo gallery 2023-2024.

SCARF also provide lots of fun home learning activities for families to complete together at home. They link to each half-termly unit of work and support the learning children are doing in school. For this half term's home learning, please follow the below link and click on either '3-5' for Nursery and Year R or '5-7' for Year 1 and Year 2. If you complete any of these activities, it would be lovely to hear about or see these, so do email in your home learning to:

[info@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk](mailto:info@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk)

<https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/family-scarf/scarf-at-home/me-and-my-relationships>

This link can also be found on the school website, on the PSHE page of the 'Curriculum' section.

#### Parents Evenings      Year R, Year 1, Year 2      Wed 18<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Hopefully you have all managed to book a session to see your child's class teacher (if there are 2 class teachers you only need to sign up for one session – the teachers work together and would each be saying the same things!!)

I know there were a few issues for some parents when using the Arbor App (apparently you needed to have updated the app) – thank you for your patience and understanding with this. If you have not booked an appointment yet, you still have time until midnight tonight!!

Please come to the school office at the time of your appointment and we will sign you in and then you can go to your child's class. I will leave the Parent Car Park unlocked until 6.30pm on these evenings.

#### Flu Vaccination

Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> October

Yr R, Yr 1, Yr 2

Thank you to those parents who have completed the link – you need to do this please even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination or they have already had it. The reason that you

will have received lots of reminder emails from Mrs Parkhouse is because there are still lots of parents who have not completed it.

Please use this link now to complete your form before Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. [Winter Flu Vaccination programme : Hampshire Healthy Families](#) School Code: SH116154

### School Photos

You will all have received the order form/envelope for your child's individual school photo. The deadline for ordering is **next Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October** – Don't forget.

### INSET Days

Please see dates at the bottom. We have planned two more INSET Days – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July. One more INSET Day to be planned – we will let you know this as soon as we have booked this.

### Absence

Please can you help us by remembering to phone or email the school office by 9.15am if your child is not going to be in school for any reason – this is for all year groups including Daisies. For safeguarding reasons, we have a duty of care to check if you and your child are OK, so we will phone by 9.30am if we have not heard from you. There is a 24 hour answerphone so please just leave a message at a convenient time.

Just another reminder about the 48 hour rule for sickness and diarrhoea – sadly we have had parents bringing their child back too soon. I appreciate that you often say they were only sick once, but we cannot be sure that it is not a 'bug' and young children share germs so quickly.

### New Bike and Scooter Shelter

Hopefully you will have all seen the new bike and scooter shed at the front of the school which was completed on Tuesday. It was lovely to see lots of you using it on Wednesday. Please remember to make sure your children do not climb or swing on it.

Thank you to FOPS for organising this and funding this – but thank you to all of you who have come to events to help raise money for this.

*Thank you to everyone who submitted entries for the Bike Shed Naming competition. We had over 40 entries and they were all really good - it was very hard to choose just one!*

*The FOPS committee chose 'Parsonage Wheels', which was suggested by Skyla Jordan in Sunflowers. Congratulations, Skyla!*

### News from FOPS

Don't forget to save the date Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December for our FOPS Christmas event. We would love lots of volunteers to help on the day please – if you can help, please click on the link

<https://volunteersignup.org/BDK3R>

We will be having a Rainbow Mufti Day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November for donations for the Rainbow raffle – more details to follow after half term.

### School Grounds Working Party

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 9 – 11.30am

Hopefully you will have read in a previous newsletter about the Grounds Working Party on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November in the morning. This will involve leaf clearing, tidying the allotment for the winter, cutting back plants and bushes, other maintenance jobs and also planting our new planter.

Please can you come and help – even just for a short time. The more families we get, the more we get done – parents and children are welcome. If you have any tools – leaf blowers, secateurs, wheelbarrow, shovel etc – they would be very useful too. We have some at school.

Cakes and drinks provided!!

If you can help, please could you complete the link below – then we can plan the jobs we can achieve based on how many people can help. But you are also welcome to just turn up on the morning.

Thank you for your help with making our school grounds look better and tidier.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=D39aDZFalkKs27w8KDQn-UOP3xH59FZOIfbUJfSfvBUN1NDU0RYNzNFRVZHRlpaMUIHUUg1UEZYRC4u>

### Team Wilder

Team Wilder is back again!

Please see Team Wilder attachment for further information and news.

### Plants for Planter

Our new planter on the playground is almost ready for planting – soil will be added in half term. So if you have any shrubs/cuttings/seeds that you would be willing to donate, please bring them in on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November or during the week after half term. Thank you for your help with this. (List of ideas for plants please see Team Wilder attachment)

### Reminders

- Please do not let your children ride their scooters or bikes in the school grounds for everyone's safety – some children are still doing this.

Have a good weekend.

Take care.

Miss Greenway

### Dates for Diaries

Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	3.40 – 6.30pm Parents Evening (Yr R, Yr 1, Yr 2)
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	am Flu Vaccination (change to original date on last newsletter)
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	3.40 – 6.30pm Parents Evening (Yr R, Yr 1, Yr 2)
	7pm FOPs AGM

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Oct      Half Term

<b>Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	<b>INSET DAY (SCL running)</b>
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	9am – 11.30am School Grounds Working Party
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Rainbow Mufti Day – for FOPS Christmas Event
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Road Safety Day
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Elf Run – in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell
	2.30pm Golden Rabbit Assembly
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	FOPS Christmas Event – more information to follow
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.15am Year 1 Christmas Performance
	2pm Daisies Christmas Performance
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.15am Year R Christmas Performance
	2pm Year 2 Christmas Performance

Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.15am Year 2 Christmas Performance 2pm Year R Christmas Performance
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.15am Daisies Christmas Performance 2pm Year 1 Christmas Performance
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	pm Christmas Parties
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Lunch
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1.15pm Finish – last day of term

<b>Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>

Daisies Parents Evenings will be during week beginning 13/11 and 20/11 – more information to follow.