



Headteacher
Miss K Greenway

14th December 2023

Dear Parents

What a busy last 2 weeks it has been!! The children have coped amazingly with all the out of routine things going on. We are so proud of them – they all did so well in their Christmas performances. Thank you so much for coming to watch. The children loved having you there.

I hope you are all able to enjoy some quality family time over Christmas and the New Year and we will look forward to seeing all the children back at school on Wednesday 3rd January 2024. Remember Tuesday 2nd January is an INSET Day (SCL will be running).

Don't forget school finishes at 1.15pm tomorrow, there is no afternoon session for Daisies.
Friday 15th December

Staffing

Sadly, Mrs Workman and Mrs Sheircliff are leaving Parsonage Farm today after many years of working at the school. Mrs Workman is 'retiring' and Mrs Sheircliff is leaving so that she can spend more time with her family. A huge THANK YOU to both of them for everything they have done for the children and families at Parsonage Farm over the many years.

We welcome Mrs Jasper who will be working in Tulips class and Mrs Ledgerwood who will be working in Year 2. I am also pleased to let you know that we have appointed a new caretaker, Mr Gurung, who will be joining us next week.

Thank you

A huge thank you from all of us for everything you have done to support your children and the school this term. It really is appreciated.

Message from FOPS

We are pleased to announce that our Christmas Family Fun Event on 3rd December raised £1688.45.

Thank you to everybody who came along on the day, and especially to those parents who helped to organise and run the event. Our Rainbow Raffle was a huge success, and we are very grateful for all your donations for the hampers.

Reading

Although it is the Christmas Holidays, it would be great if you could keep up the reading at home. It makes such a difference if your child reads at home regularly with an adult – 5 times a week would be amazing. Maybe that could be a New Year's resolution!

Purple Mash

Don't forget that Year 1 and Year 2 children have logins so they can use Purple Mash at home. They can access a variety of different games generally and sometimes the staff may set specific 'to dos'.

Also on our website under: Parental support/educational online games, there are links to different websites that the children can use.

This may be useful at any time but particularly during the Christmas holidays.

Children's Continence Service

Solent NHS Trust have recently opened a Children's Continence Service based at Aldershot Centre for Health. They support children as follows;

- Children aged between 4 – 18 years with **daytime wetting**, daytime frequency and/or urgency
- Children aged between 5 – 18 years with **night-time wetting**
- Children aged between 2 – 18 years with **constipation, soiling** or stool holding.

Families will need to contact their GP, Health Visitor or School Nurse for a referral. Please see attached poster for more information about this service.

Gold Star Badges

Please could you all check at home to see if you have any gold star champion badges at home – the children should return these at the end of the week they are a champion in exchange for a champion sticker but lots have not been returned.

Daisies parents and Year 2 parents

Please don't forget that you need to apply for a Year R or a Year 3 place for your child before January 15th 2024. This is all completed online at www.hants.gov.uk/admissions.

Inhalers

Please be aware that if your child has an inhaler in school, this will be sent home with them tomorrow so that it can be cleaned and expiry dates checked. Please remember to bring them back to the School Office in January. Thank you.

Reminders

- Please remember if your child has sickness or diarrhoea, you need to keep them off school for at least 48 hours after the last bout. Young children spread germs very quickly even with all the reminders to wash their hands.

As I say every year.....

Life in a Nursery and Infant School is great fun for the children, but doesn't happen without dedicated staff. A big Thank You to all the staff at Parsonage Farm for their hard work this term.

Happy Christmas

Please take care and keep safe and well over the holidays.

Miss Greenway

Dates for Diaries

Mon 18th – Fri 22nd Dec SCL running (wearescl.co.uk)

Tues 2nd Jan **INSET DAY (SCL running)**

Wed 3rd Jan Return to school

Mon 15th Jan Deadline for Year R and Year 3 applications

Wed 17th Jan Yr 2 trip to Glive

Mon 12th – Fri 16th Feb Half term

More dates and events to follow in the New Year.

Fri 5th July **INSET DAY (SCL running)**