



9th October 2026



We aspire for all at Parsonage Farm to feel valued and cared for, to have a continued excitement for learning, ensuring success as they journey onwards.



Dear Parents,

It has been another busy couple of weeks, and the weather has been kind to us (apart from one rainy day!), so the children have been outside as much as possible. We are proud of all the children in Daisies, Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 who have already been chosen as Star of the Day or in Year 1 and Year 2 as a Champion. I have enjoyed my Monday afternoons at Champion Club, having lots of fun with the children.

We are proud of all the children for everything they have achieved in the first few weeks of term – from coming into school and separating from Mum or Dad, to becoming more independent and putting their coat on themselves or using a knife and fork, to sharing with their friends. Every little thing is a huge step for children. Thank you as always for all your support – it really is appreciated.

Parents Evenings Yr R, Yr 1 and Yr 2 Tues 20th October and Thurs 22nd October

Time slots will be from 3.40 – 6.20pm



Arbor

You will be able to book your 10-minute appointment time via Arbor - to do so log onto Arbor and click on Guardian Consultations. The system will ONLY be live from Monday 12th October at 8am and will close on Friday 16th October 11pm. Please do book an appointment so that you can chat to your child's class teacher. If you need help with using this booking system, please ask in the school office.

These meetings are for parents and teachers. We are aware that often parents need to bring their children with them and it can be difficult to talk if your children are in the classroom too. Mrs Gray has kindly offered to be in the hall and will have some activities available, if you need to bring your child/ren with you, and are not comfortable leaving them outside the classroom during your ten-minute appointment.

Daisies will have parent meetings later in the term, more information will follow closer to the time.

Individual School Photos/Family photos Thursday 22nd October

You will have received an email from Mrs Parkhouse regarding the opportunity to book a family photography slot before school. These sessions are available for younger and older siblings, as well as parents. All children will have their individual photographs taken during the school day, with siblings also having the opportunity to be photographed together. These photographs make wonderful Christmas gifts for grandparents, and the school will receive a percentage of the money raised. Year 1, please come to school wearing your top half of school uniform and bottom half PE kit, as you will have PE during the school day. Daisies parents if your child does not attend a Thursday morning, please come to the school office at 9.15am if you would like a photo taken.

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Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads – Mrs Gray, Mrs Bowyer & Miss Petty*

Mobile Phone Free Zone

Please can you help. When you come into the school grounds, please can you not use your mobile phones when you are dropping off or collecting your child, please give them the attention they deserve – they want to talk to you and can't do this if you are on your phone. Teachers will not release your child to you, if you are on your phone – I appreciate that many of you are working when picking your child up, but they need to know that for the 5 minutes this takes, that they are your priority. Thank you for your support with this.



Message from FOPS



Following FOPS AGM last week, I have been asked to add this in the newsletter to thank those FOPS members who have now stepped down and welcome to some new FOPS members. There will be more information from FOPS soon about upcoming events.

"A huge, heartfelt thank you to our wonderful outgoing FOPS members. The time, energy, ideas and care you've given over the years - as well as your continued support - has made such a difference to our school and, most importantly, to the children.

We are so grateful for everything you've done and for the memories you've helped create along the way, from discos to Colour Runs, and everything in between!

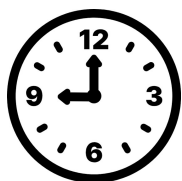
You'll be greatly missed, and we hope you know just how much your contribution has been appreciated by us all. Thank you for being such a huge part of our FOPS family."

Book Bags

Thank you for your help with supporting your child to just have one small keyring on their book bag if really needed. If you have not managed to do this with your child yet, please could you talk to them and help then do this. Also, due to the lack of space on the coat pegs, please can children not bring large back packs instead of book bags – as there isn't room. If they are doing a club after school and need a change of clothes, a small bag on that day is ok. Please come and speak with us if you need help to purchase a book bag.



Attendance



This year, the Governors have chosen attendance as one of their areas to focus on – particularly linked to their safeguarding role. Thank you to everyone who has made sure their child is here on time every day – it really does make a difference. Please remember the children need to be in school **before** 9am every day, otherwise they miss out on social time with their friends before they need to sit on the carpet for register.

Connect to Support Hampshire

We have been asked to promote this website which provides information about all sorts of things provided in Hampshire – from cost-of-living benefits, free courses to information about services in Hampshire. You can just type in 'what you are looking for' on the front page and it will provide you with relevant information. I did not know about this website and have already used it – please take a look. [Home | Hampshire CTSH](#)

[Parsonage Farm Nursery and Infant School - Our Wider Community](#)

Families with SEN children

We have been asked to share information about SENDIASS online workshops - please see attached flier. They are all free and are attended by an experienced Support Worker offering impartial information and advice to families. www.hampshiresendiass.co.uk

Grounds Working Party Saturday 14th November 9am – 12pm

Please put this date in your diary and come along for an hour and help tidy our school grounds/plant bulbs etc. At this time of year, there are so many leaves to clear and areas to tidy that it is too much for our caretaker to do on his own. It is a real family event - lots of families come along and help and we provide drinks and cakes/biscuits. I will send another reminder and form to sign up to help in my next newsletter. Thank you.

Parking

If you need to park on Limes Road or Cherry Tree Close, rather than use the Parent Car park, please do not park opposite another car that is already parked. It means that only one car can get through and often staff who are trying to get to work, cannot get through. This week, I am aware that there was a problem, caused by inconsiderate parking. Please can everyone try and help.

Reminders



- Please remember that children should only be pushing their bikes and scooters in the school grounds – sadly, a parent has reported to me that a child on a bike has hit her pram when she has been pushing it. Please support your children to follow this rule. Please do not walk through the staff car park especially with your children.



- Please can you make sure your child has water in their water bottle that they will drink from during the school day – not squash. Please remember these bottles should be transparent so the children can see how much they are drinking each day and avoid spray bottles. If they have a packed lunch, they may have squash or juice at this time (separate bottle).

Requests

- If you can donate a box of tissues and/or a bottle of hand soap, it would be much appreciated. Please give to your child's class teacher. Thank you.



Take care and have a good weekend. Any questions, please just ask.

Miss Greenway

Dates for Diaries

Tues 20 th Oct	3.40 – 6.30pm Parents Evening (Yr R, Yr 1, Yr 2)
Thurs 22 nd Oct	Individual School Photos
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Fri 23 rd Oct	FOPS Halloween Disco

Mon 26th– Fri 30th Oct Half Term (AceKids running)

Mon 2nd Nov INSET DAY (Acekids running 8.30am – 3.30pm)

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Sat 14 th Nov	am School Grounds Working Party – come and help tidy our school grounds
Tues 17 th Nov	Flu Vaccinations – (Email sent out to complete online form)
Fri 20 th Nov	Road Safety Day
Mon 30 th Nov	pm Year 1 Visit to Cove Church
Fri 4 th Dec	Reindeer Run – in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell 2.30pm Golden Rabbit Assembly
Mon 7 th Dec	2pm Year 2 Christmas Celebration
Tues 8 th Dec	9.15am Year 2 Christmas Celebration
Thurs 10 th Dec	9.15am Daisies Christmas Celebration 2pm Yr 1 Christmas Celebration
Fri 11 th Dec	9.15am Yr 1 Christmas Celebration pm Rocksteady Concert
Mon 14 th Dec	9.15am Daisies Christmas Celebration 2pm Yr R Christmas Celebration
Tues 15 th Dec	9.15am Yr R Christmas Celebration
Wed 16 th Dec	Christmas Lunch
Thurs 17 th Dec	Christmas Parties
Fri 18 th Dec	1.15pm Finish – last day of term

There will be three other INSET Days during the year, but I will confirm these as soon as possible.

Year Group Emails

Daisies - nursery@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk

Poppies and Snowdrops – yearr@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk

Tulips and Sunflowers – year1@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk

Bluebells and Daffodils – year2@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk

Amazon Wishlist - <https://amzn.eu/0brWK1ry>

The wish list is something that we will keep updated with additional items that would be lovely for us to have in school, there is no expectation but we would be so appreciative of any gifts that we would receive.

