



NEWSLETTER



Friday 23rd September

Dates known so far for the week ahead:

Monday 26 th	Reading meeting: From Phonics to Fluency 2-3pm or 5-6pm * Spanish and Dance clubs finishing at 4pm
Tuesday	P.E. Willow (Year 1 and 2) and Oak (Year 5 and 6) come in kits After School club for Beech Class children 3-4pm Vince Godfrey in for Woodwind lessons for named children
Wednesday	Forest School for Beech Class: old clothes please 4 children from Year 5 going to Christ's Hospital Maths Challenge – good luck!
Thursday	P.E. Beech (Y3 and 4) and Oak (Year 5 and 6) come in kits Science Club 3-4pm and First Aid Club 3-4pm
Friday	Donna Morley in for Piano Lessons for named children P.E. Willow Class (Year 1 and 2) come in kits 1.15-4pm: School tidy up: any volunteered time welcome*

Reading Workshops for Parents/Carers

On Monday we are running a workshop for parents to help explain how we approach reading at Singleton, how children learn to read, how families can make a difference at home and to discuss and share any 'hot tips'. The 2 sessions are either 2-3pm or 5-6pm. Please come to the front door to sign in for both meetings.

A questionnaire is also coming home next week about Reading at Home. Please can these be completed and returned as soon as possible. This will ensure we can target support to families and ensure all children have positive reading experiences.

School Tidy Up

On Friday 30th September I would like to hold a Clean Up afternoon starting at 1.15pm and finishing at 4pm. This will hopefully enable more people to give some time – many hands make light work.

I have avoided a Saturday as I know that for many people they have commitments for children's clubs etc. Hopefully this timing will enable people to contribute some time to making the outside of school look smart ready for Open Day, which is on Saturday 8th October.

If you have your own outdoor brooms / cloths / mops, this would really help. Equally if anyone has a pick up truck or capacity to take some items to the local dump, we would be so grateful – we have some old furniture which needs to be taken.

Thank you.

Flu Vaccination

On Thursday 6th October the school nursing team will be onsite to give children their flu vaccination. this is in the form of a nasal vaccine which the children are required to sniff. It takes seconds and the children are supervised by a staff member. You should have already received this information as an email sent from the Office and signed up online. If you did not receive the email, please let us know as soon as possible. Only children whose families have provided consent will be given the vaccine.

An invitation to Chichester Cathedral



On Saturday 17th September Maisy and Roberta from Year 6 accompanied me to Chichester Cathedral to represent the school at a Celebration and Remembrance service for the Queen.

The service was conducted by the Dean of the Cathedral and the Bishop of Chichester was also present. Some other local primary schools were in attendance, together with members of the cadets and local scouts' groups.

The choir filled the cathedral with their beautiful singing and the sermon from the Bishop helped us to reflect on the service, qualities and example the Queen provided for us all.

Maisy and Roberta were perfect company and behaved as I knew they would, with a sense of reverence and respect.

Thank you, girls. To be honest I could have chosen any one of our Year 6 children to represent the school – they are all excellent role models.

Responsibilities

Over the next few weeks, we are slowly introducing all children to their community responsibilities in school. So far:

Y6 Lunch Table Monitors: responsible for ordering the correct meals in the hall and supervising the table

Y5: Hall monitors: responsible for setting up / packing away the hall for worship

Y4: Playtime Equipment monitors in the morning and at lunch

The other year groups will be given their responsibilities in the coming weeks. If your child has a badge for their responsibility – it is also their responsibility not to misplace their badge! If they lose them, we will have to request that families pay for the replacement.

Golden Book Children

This week we celebrated:

Ella (Y6) who wrote a letter to Miss Boyd as part of her homework – but then took it to the next level and posted it! Miss Boyd was thrilled to receive the letter which was beautifully – well done!

Harriet (Y4) who shone in English with an almost poetic piece of speech linked to the current class book and then showed a great mindset in a new sport in P.E. -Ultimate Frisbee – great news Harriet!

Malachi (Y1) who is demonstrating the focus he needs during learning – this enabled him to produce a great piece of maths with numbers all formed correctly – brilliant!

The children from the previous 3 weeks all celebrated together with an ultimate obstacle course in the hall!

Worship this week

Hugo came on Thursday from Yapton Free Church. We enjoyed singing one of Hugo's new songs and listening to news from his time in Mongolia. We were all very impressed with our new reception children who chose to come into worship and sat, listened and tried hard to join in brilliantly.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Theresa Smyth and the Singleton Team