



NEWSLETTER



October 20th 2023

Dates for the first week back:

Monday 30 th October	INSET DAY
Tuesday	INSET DAY
Wednesday 1 st November	First Day back for children: School photographs today see below AFTER SCHOOL WRAP ROUND CARE STARTS
Thursday	PARENTS EVENING BOOKING OPENS AT 6PM
Friday	Guitar lessons for named children P.E Willow and Beech Class

P.E DAYS

Willow Class: Friday

Beech Class: Wednesday and Friday (no Forest School this term)

Oak Class: Monday

Forest School (starting 8th November)

Years R,1,2,5,6 Remember warm layers, hats / gloves. Wellington boots should be in school.

Photographer

The school photographer is in school on the first morning back. If you wish for your child to have their photo taken with a non-school age sibling, please arrive for 8am at the main entrance.

School age siblings will have their photograph taken together during the morning, as well as their individual one. Instructions on ordering will be sent soon afterwards. All children in school uniform today – there will be no forest school or P.E

Reminders

We now have the majority of children with wellingtons in school – thank you so much. The reason we need them is to ensure we can use all of our school grounds – all year round.

I appreciate that some children do not seem to feel the cold quite like adults, but the children do need a coat in school daily – even if it is only a pack away raincoat.

Attendance Figures 4th September to Friday 13th October

Whole School: 95.01%

Unauthorised Absence: 1.79%

Marked as Late: 39

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

This week in school:

Beech Class opened their own café this week! Having researched seaside cafes and food suppliers in East Wittering last week, they used all of their knowledge and the skills they learnt in DT, to create a fully operational café, complete with front of house, food runners, the food pass, menus and delicious hot and cold food options.

The children worked hard both as a team and on an individual basis to ensure the café ran smoothly, problem solving as they prepared for the opening and throughout the service. Myself, Miss Boyd, Mrs Holt, Miss Kitka and the Oak Class customers were all very impressed by the level of organisation and the food was delicious.



Worship Music this week: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E2kxPsjqXYY>

This week we have been Counting our Blessings. This of course can be challenging, especially at times of loss, pain and if we look beyond our immediate world, war and conflict. We collected all of the children's ideas for blessings from A-Z – they had great ideas – try it at home. They have written their blessings and what they are thankful for onto Pumpkins – a real one for Willow class and created ones in Oak and Beech Class.

Golden Book

Today we celebrate: George (Y2) for his ability to role model to other children, the expectations of our school, in a gentle way. Jack (Y2) for his ability to use the restorative language we have practiced, in his relationship and behaviours – well done! Maya (Y5) for her independence and critical thinking when making a chair as part of her art project. Clementine (Y3) for her engagement and thinking during both the beach trip and the follow up learning – she was a great waitress in the café! Malachi (Y2) for his ability to role model to other children – Mrs Rickard the supply teacher has been very impressed with his attitude! Talia (Y4) has shown that she has the skills of a great leader and team player this week in her maths, using her critical thinking to solve a number problem as part of a group. George (Y5) has shown great progress in his writing over the past week, taking all of the advice and teaching and then achieving independently – well done!

Thank You

At our recent Full Governing Body meeting, Nat Wheeler and Kathy Manouch were elected Chair and Vice-Chair respectively. I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank Janet Holt and Avril Sargent as the outgoing Chair and Vice Chair, for their support, time and dedication to Singleton school. They both remain on our Governing Body, so haven't managed to escape just yet! Thank you both, from all of the Team.

We wish you all a very happy and hopefully dry' ish half term - have fun!

Theresa Smyth and the Singleton Team