



# NEWSLETTER



Friday 18th October 2024

## Dates for the week ahead:

Monday 21st	YR to come in P.E. kits <b>P.E. Day for Oak Class</b> Music lessons for Y1/2 Forest School for Year 1 and 2: appropriate clothing please Clubs Y1-6 today 3-4pm please pick up from playground
Tuesday	Birthday party for our school - 60 years old! ( see below) Netball Club 3-4pm please pick up from playground
Wednesday	P.E. day for Willow ( all children) Final Forest School for Beech Class
Thursday	Last Day
Friday	INSET DAY: SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN

## School Birthday

Next Tuesday the children are going to celebrate the school's birthday. The current school building is now 60 years old. This half term the children have been learning about our village in Geography and will have seen the original school house on their walks.

**Next Tuesday**, children are invited to come dressed for a party! There will be no football or P.E. during the school day to enable them to wear clothes which may be a little special. If they have club, they must bring clothes to change into.

In the morning our Worship Leaders will present a special worship which recognises the importance of celebrating milestones, looking back as well as forward and thinking about all those people who have made Singleton a special place to work and learn.

They will then enjoy a special 'birthday' cake before an afternoon of games in their classrooms and a bouncy castle in the hall. I shall take photos of the event for a special display which you will be able to see after half term. This will be a great way to end the term, which at 8 weeks is a long one!

## Christmas Fair



Please ensure you put the Christmas Fair date and time in your diary. Further information will follow, especially how to book to see Santa.

If you have any raffle prizes / tombola which you are happy to donate, please could you pop these into the school lobby. I shall place a box in there for donations.

If you have any contacts of people /companies who would be willing to donate an item or voucher for the raffle, please do let us know.

## Residential

What a wonderful time we had! Oak Class enjoyed 2 fantastic days at Cobnor which is on the Chichester estuary. We took part in raft building, sailing, tree climbing, archery and orienteering. We went on 2 walks, one during the day and one at night - with torches! The children played board games in the evening, learnt to sleep in dormitories away from home and tucked in to wonderful meals provided by Penny and Alex the chefs.

Children achieved personal goals and recognised that they can do anything - even if it is a little scary to start with. All of the children took part in everything - we couldn't have been prouder.

I know that the children impressed the staff team at Cobnor. The manager messaged to say:

*"We hope you all had a great time and have settled back into school life, I know our instructors did and were really impressed at how lovely you all are."*

One of the instructors asked how we get children to be so encouraging of one another and behave so brilliantly. I answered: "it's what we expect, it's what we model - it's the core of our school". It was great to hear how others perceive our children too.

Thank you to all of our families for the swift drop offs and pickups at the end. thank you to Mrs Norris for coming over each day to support the children - and Miss Boyd and I. Thank you to Miss Boyd, who was to invested in your children making brilliant memories and achieving their best.



## Golden Book

This week we say congratulations to: Anastasiia (YR) for her excellent learning in Phonics - she is blending phonemes and writing her graphemes brilliantly! Well done to Clementine (Y4) for her supportive learning behaviours towards other children - she is independently seeing how she can encourage other children with their tasks so that they can achieve their very best - well done! congratulations to Jasper (Y6) who has been tenacious in the 500 words or less writing challenge. His story has great flow and cohesion which makes it great to read - well done!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend  
Theresa Smyth and the Singleton Team