



# NEWSLETTER



Friday 27th June

## Dates for next week

Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Forest School for Willow Class pm CLUBS AFTER SCHOOL
Tuesday	P.E. day for Oak and Beech Partnership meeting for parents 6-7pm
Wednesday	Transition Day: Year 6 to secondary schools In school transition afternoon and New YR Children visting Miss Spencer (new Oak Class teacher) in school to meet class for September P.E. day for Willow Class Tennis Club (paid for) 3-4pm New Parents Eveening meting 7-8pm
Thursday	P.E. day: Oak Library Service in to speak to children about 2025 Summer Reading Challenge
Friday	Prayer Space morning: see below P.E. day: Beech School Reports out today

## Reminders for next week

### Partnership Meeting

If you are unable to attend please send any questions to: [Head@singleton.school](mailto:Head@singleton.school)

The meeting will start at 6 and finish at 7pm promptly. Myself and Mr Wheeler (Parent and Chair of Governors) will attend.

### Transition Day

As our Year 6 children visit their secondary school there will be an opportunity in school for all children to visit their next classes at different points in the day. Miss Spencer who is the new teacher for Oak Class will also attend for the day. This is an important day for all children, especially Year 6, as they meet their future Year 7 friends. Have a great time Year 6, listen carefully and be the best version of yourself!

### Prayer Space Morning

Mrs Halfacree has planned the prayer space morning to enable the children, of all faiths and none, to explore life questions, spirituality and faith in a safe, creative and interactive way.

Taking a broadly Christian perspective as a starting point, prayer spaces give children an opportunity to develop skills of personal reflection and to explore prayer in an open, inclusive and safe environment.

The approach does not proselytise and purposely allows pupils to make their own meaning and to draw their own conclusions.

## **GAS Sports and a positive partnership opportunity.**

Thank you to the children who competed in this year's inter- school sports afternoon. Children from 6 local area schools competed in a series of athletic events. This included some highly competitive track and relay races at the end of the afternoon. The children's behaviour and sportsmanship was as always, outstanding. The determination on the children's faces, clearly said – we are here to win!

Thank you to the parents who made arrangements to ensure their child/ren could be collected.

This was the first event in which 'leadership' was shared across the partnership schools. Mr Roger's from Boxgrove, had ensured the structure / equipment/ communication and materials had been prepared ahead of time. Miss Cain and I then worked together on Thursday morning to 're-shape' the sporting activities, to manage the unpredictable weather.

Miss Cain then ran the event with me. This opportunity was easily organised because of the partnership. 120 children benefitted from the expertise of Miss Cain and the organisation and preparation of Mr Rogers.

Miss Kitka also attended the event and was naturally supporting children from across the schools. Several school leaders commented on how brilliant Miss Kitka is at communicating and supporting children.

In my new role, I had the privilege of watching the professional and collegiate work of both schools. I saw Miss Cain manage a new, larger scale leadership opportunity and Miss Kitka share her skills. How exciting!

## **Exciting news for current Year 3 and 4 Children**

I have booked the residential for the 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026. By then the children will be in Year 5 and 6 and ready for a fantastic stay at Cobnor, taking part in water sports, team building activities and much more! This is a local residential (Chidham) which means we keep transport costs down.

Although the final cost to families is not yet definite, it is expected to be approximately £250. I will set up payments for this far in advance, to support with budgeting and hopefully ensure we have less of a shortfall.

I thought you might appreciate this for your diaries if you are a 'planner'!

## **Golden Book**

Congratulations to Eli (Y1) for his learning behaviours during Hymn practice this week. You were spotted by a teacher demonstrating not only great singing but also leading by example – what a super Year 2 you will be! Alf (Y3) for his learning behaviours during the recent transition afternoon. He supported the Year 2 children by demonstrating expected behaviour and the routines and systems for when you are in Beech Class. Miss Cain is lucky to have such a great role model in you Alf. Charlie (Y6) has been shining in English recently. His contributions during the start of the writing process have been of a high quality – well done.

**Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine.**

*Theresa Smyth and the Singleton Team*

## Year 6 News Report

This week, Singleton school has done various activities and trips, we are going to tell you about them.

One of the most significant things this week was the year six leavers service at the cathedral in Chichester. The leavers service included some songs, including "10,000 Reasons" and many more. The fish that the year six made have been hung up on the cathedral walls with all the other fish from many different schools.

In Oak class this week we have been learning all about shapes in maths and in English we are writing reports about High Rise mystery. In science we have been studying plant and animal classes. Oak class are going up the hill to observe and classify plants to learn more about their features. In DT Oak class have been making various types of puppets.

Meanwhile, Willow class have also been studying plants and going outside to look at them.

Beech class have been studying animal wings in science and in English have been publishing their cautionary tales. In DT, they have been sewing spider webs. In maths they have been doing bar charts.

In PE, the children of Singleton school learned about Ultimate Frisbee from a visitor. The children did various activities to improve their frisbee skills.

Some children went to a gas sports event in box grove and did different activities. "We had four stations and one was javelin, one was jumping, one was racing and one was a team building game. It was a really fun afternoon!" commented Freddie, in Year 6.

Jasper and Beth