



Petersfield News

Friday 8 September 2023

Headteacher Crissy Hodgkinson



Welcome Back

Welcome back to our Year 1 and Year 2 children and families, it has been lovely to see you all again. The children have quickly settled into their new classrooms and routines this week and have had a super first week back.

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new families who have joined us this year. It is a pleasure to have you as part of our school community and we very much look forward to getting to know you and working with you. We are eager to welcome our Year R children who will become full time from Monday.

We also welcome Miss Blake as Class Teacher of Kingfishers, Year 2, together with Mrs Rimmer, Mrs Burrows and Mrs Chant, all of whom have started as Learning Support Assistants.

'Golden Nuggets' will soon be emailed to Year 1 and Year 2 to offer information about the learning your child will be doing across all curriculum areas. Year R will also receive a newsletter giving similar details very shortly.

Our 'Petersfield News' newsletter will now be shared with everyone each side of half term and will no longer be a weekly communication. We will send important news or updates via email as and when necessary.

We recognise that effective communication between home and school is critical to ensure children make the best progress possible and feel safe and happy in school. We encourage our families to speak with Mrs Hodgkinson or your Class Teacher, at any time, to raise questions, concerns or offer feedback.

Following the recent media coverage about Reinforced, Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) in some school buildings, we confirm we are not aware of RAAC at Petersfield Infant School according to our Local Authority who advise us on our buildings. There is therefore currently no plan to close the school.

Mrs Hodgkinson has been at Herne Junior School this afternoon to visit our previous Year 2 children and was very excited to see how they are all settling into their new school!

Finally, please ensure you make note of the Diary Dates at the end of the newsletter which may also be found on our school website under Term Dates. Any amendments or additional dates will be communicated via email or on future newsletters.

Reminders (and apology!)

Our regular newsletters are usually filled with plenty of news, pictures and information however, this bumper edition is filled with many, many reminders which we ask you to take time to familiarise yourself with. Moving forward, we absolutely promise that newsletters will be a little less autocratic and wordy! Do make yourselves a cup of tea, sit down and take time to read the next page and our apologies for the lengthy detail!

- Ensure medication to be kept in school, i.e. inhalers, is handed in. Medication must be brought to the **School Office** and the appropriate paperwork completed. Please do not place medication in children's back-packs
- Evidence will be requested for any medical appointments booked within school hours. Please ensure the School Office are made aware in advance
- No cycling or scooting is permitted in the playground at any time. Bicycles and scooters are to be pushed carefully
- Playground equipment such as the Adventure Play, gym equipment, tyres and car track are not to be used by children, or younger siblings, at drop off or pick up
- Dogs are not permitted in the playground. Please leave them outside the school gate
- Please ensure all children wear the correct uniform at all times, including sturdy school shoes and not trainers
- Please ensure a coat is brought into school in wet and/or cold weather
- Please ensure a water bottle is brought into school containing fresh water, **not juice**
- Please do not place water bottles inside back-packs to avoid water damage on school books
- Home packed lunches must not contain nuts or any nut products including cereal bars and some chocolate spreads
- PE Kit is to be worn on allocated PE Days to include black shorts or tracksuit bottoms, yellow PE shirt, trainers and either a Petersfield Infant School PE Hoodie or the green school jumper or cardigan. Plain clothed hoodies are not permitted. Earrings to be removed or taped over
- Communication from the school is generally via email so please ensure you are receiving these and they are not going into junk/clutter inboxes
- Drop off in the morning is between 8.40am – 8.50am via the playground gates on Hylton Road. If running late, please enter via the School Office entrance where you child will be signed in and recorded as late. Attendance is monitored every day and communication will be made with families whose attendance or lateness is of concern
- Absence and holidays will not be authorised and could result in a Penalty Notice being issued
- Birthday and Celebration cakes and sweets are not to be brought into school and shared
- Please name EVERYTHING that comes into school including shoes, water bottles, all clothing, coats etc. If your child can take it off it can be lost!
- If anyone such as grandparents or friends will be collecting your child at the end of the day, please let the School Office know, by email or telephone, at your earliest opportunity
- If your child is poorly and unable to attend school, please telephone or email the School Office, each day, giving details of the illness. If we have not received a message, we will call you, and then subsequent contacts on your list, to ensure your child is safe
- **Finally, thank you for your understanding, for reading and adhering to this long list!**

Information Meeting for Year 1 and Year 2 Parents and Carers

Following details sent last term, please be reminded of the Information Meeting for Parents and Carers of both Year 1 (Wednesday 13 September) and Year 2 (Thursday 14 September). The meeting will take place at 8.45am. Once your child has walked into school, we ask you to enter the School Hall. All Teachers will be present and the meeting will last for approximately 30 minutes.

Thank You!

A big thank you to our Year 1 and Year 2 Parents and Carers for supporting your children in walking from the playground into school every morning this week. The children have displayed great confidence and have been wonderfully independent - we are very proud of them, however, if you, or your child, wish to walk together to the Library Door at drop off, please continue to do so.

PE Days

Please ensure children come into school wearing their PE Kit on the following days;

Class	PE Day
Dolphins	Friday
Penguins	Wednesday
Seals	Monday
Whales	Tuesday
Hedgehogs	Tuesday & Thursday
Rabbits	Monday & Thursday
Squirrels	Monday & Wednesday
Kingfishers	Thursday & Friday
Owls	Thursday & Friday
Puffins	Tuesday & Thursday
Woodpeckers	Wednesday & Friday



PETERSFIELD TOY SWAP

PeCAN
HOME START Butser

DROP OFF TOYS 4-15 SEPTEMBER
RETURN TO 'SWAP TIL YOU DROP'
SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER!

PECAN IS TEAMING UP WITH WINTON HOUSE & HOME-START BUTSER TO ORGANISE A TOY SWAP!

BRING YOUR UNWANTED TOYS TO WINTON HOUSE ANY WEEKDAY 9.30-15.30 FROM MONDAY 4TH – FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER & GET A TOKEN IN EXCHANGE

RETURN ON SATURDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER BETWEEN 9.30 - 12 NOON TO SELECT AN EXCHANGE TOY

WE CANNOT ACCEPT 'OUTSIZED' TOYS SUCH AS TRAMPOLINES, PLAY GYMS OR PLAY HOUSES DUE TO LIMITED STORAGE SPACE & WE ASK THAT TOYS ARE CLEAN, COMPLETE, IN GOOD CONDITION & WITH ANY LOOSE ELEMENTS CONTAINED.

WINTON HOUSE IS LOCATED AT 18 HIGH STREET, PETERSFIELD O1730 266046
WINTON HOUSE CENTRE IS A REGISTERED CHARITY.
ORGANISERS MAY REJECT UNSUITABLE ITEMS.

Diary Dates

highlighted row denotes new addition or amendment

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday 13 September	8.45am	Information Meeting for Year 1 Parents & Carers
Thursday 14 September	8.45am	Information Meeting for Year 2 Parents & Carers
Thursday 21 – Friday 22 September	Various	Scooter & Skateboard Coaching – Year's 1 & 2 Details to Follow
Wednesday 27 September	3.30 – 4.15pm	Open Play Session for Children Starting School in September 2024. Booking essential, please contact the School Office
Friday 29 September	9 – 12pm	Individual School Photographs
Tuesday 10 October	TBC	Parents' Evening – Details to Follow
Thursday 12 October	3.30 – 4.15pm	Open Play Session for Children Starting School in September 2024. Booking essential, please contact the School Office
Thursday 19 October	TBC	Parents' Evening – Details to Follow
Friday 20 October	All Day	INSET Day
Monday 23 – Friday 27 October	All Week	Half Term
Tuesday 7 November	3.30 – 4.15pm	Open Play Session for Children Starting School in September 2024. Booking essential, please contact the School Office
Thursday 16 November	All Day	Flu Vaccinations – Details to Follow
Monday 4 December	3.30 – 4.15pm	Open Play Session for Children Starting School in September 2024. Booking essential, please contact the School Office
Friday 15 December	3.10pm	Last Day of Term
Monday 18 – Friday 29 December	All Week	Christmas Holiday
Monday 1 January 2024	All Day	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 January 2024	All Day	INSET Day
Friday 9 February 2024	All Day	INSET Day
Monday 12 – Friday 16 February 2024	All Day	Half Term
Thursday 28 March 2024	3.10pm	Last Day of Term
Friday 29 March 2024	All Day	Bank Holiday
Monday 1 – Friday 12 April 2024	All Day	Easter Holiday
Monday 6 May 2024	All Day	Bank Holiday
Monday 27 – Friday 31 May 2024	All Week	Half Term
Monday 3 June 2024	All Day	INSET Day
Tuesday 23 July 2024	3.10pm	Last Day of Term



Welcome back to school! We hope you have had an amazing summer break, we can't wait to hear all about it! We have enjoyed seeing some of you at our Summer Holiday Clubs, bookings for October half term will open soon.. Please keep an eye on our social media pages and emails. Spaces for the clubs are now open and available to book online. Contact our friendly customer service team if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you all again throughout the Autumn term.

This term

This term the children can enjoy lots of sports, games and various arts & crafts activities in our wrap around care! The children will enjoy making amazing masterpieces in arts & crafts! They will also be able to enjoy various sports and games such as target games, athletics and ball games. We look forward to meeting the new year R children throughout the term.



Club Information:

Days & Times & Cost:

Monday-Friday AM
07:30- Start of school day- £5.00
£2.00 Cash drop off after 8:15am

Monday-Friday PM
4:30pm- £5.50
6:00pm- £10.50

Drop Off/Collection:

Please drop/collect children at the Happy Hut.
Parents must be present for sign in procedure.

What to bring:

Refillable water bottle and a healthy snack



Ofsted Registered