

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE
Friday 2 May 2025



Dear Parents,

Since our return to school last Tuesday Production rehearsals have started and it is great to see the children so excited at the prospect of performing Peter Pan Jr in July. Thank you for your patience regarding the early closing of gates on Monday and Thursday nights.

As ever the summer term is a very busy one, and we have many exciting trips and activities coming up. This Update contains information about many of the things we have planned and provides you with dates for your diaries.

VE Day Celebrations – On **Thursday 8 May 2025** we will be encouraging children to come to school wearing **RED, WHITE and BLUE** in exchange for a **£1 donation** to remember the anniversary of VE Day. All proceeds will go to the Royal British Legion (RBLI) who assist veterans, their families, and individuals in need.

Year 6 SATs Week – Children in Year 6 will be sitting their SATs papers during the week beginning **Monday 12 May 2025**. We wish the children lots of luck with this.

Dig Day: We are organising another 'Dig Day' on **Sunday 18 May from 10am – 1pm** and would like to ask for volunteers to help on this day to clear up and tidy areas around the environmental area and the school grounds. During the day we will be busy tidying up and undertaking general maintenance of the entire outside environmental area. The PTFA have kindly offered to provide light refreshments, any donations of cake would be much appreciated! As always children and grandparents are welcome along to help out and join in the fun! Please bring along any of your own tools e.g. garden tools such as loppers or rakes, wheelbarrows, spades etc. The children really enjoy using the outdoor environmental classroom and the school grounds and the exciting learning opportunities that these areas provide. We look forward to seeing you.

Class Photos – **Tuesday 20 May** a photographer from "Yellow School Photography" will be visiting the school to take the annual Class group photos. You will be able to order copies on-line once the proofs have been sent home with the children. Unfortunately, if your child is away from school on this day, it is not possible to digitally add them in later.

E-Safety Parent Workshops – We are hosting an e-safety awareness workshop for parents on **20 May 2025 at 5:30pm**. In this workshop, parents will be provided with up to date information regarding online safety. It will cover a range of information with the focus being on parents and children's interaction with technology; how that affects emotional and mental wellbeing; the use of AI; and simple tips around parental control apps.

In a world of constantly changing technology we would highly recommend that parents attend. Please complete the on-line form below to let us know that you are planning to attend.

<https://forms.office.com/e/XMF7ULXPdK>

Nut Free School – Please can we remind parents that we are a Nut Free School. Please can we ask that you do not send any items that may contain nut in your child's lunchbox e.g. Bakewell tarts and some chocolate filled crepes.

Sun Cream – Now that we are having some sunnier weather, could we please ask that you apply sun cream/lotion to your child in the morning - before they come to school. Please also send in their own (named) sun screen which can be self-administered if they need a top up at lunchtime.

End of day supervision – please can I remind you that once the children have been released to you from class at the end of the day, they become your responsibility. We are aware of some children playing on the field and various pieces of climbing equipment with very little adult supervision. In the past, this has resulted in accidents.

On a similar note I would like to make it clear that the Dragon on the junior playground is **NOT** designed to be climbed and at no time should children be scaling it. Please can you remind your children of this. In addition, we are aware that some children are going to the top of the field and climbing trees, again something that should not be happening. We thank you for your support with these matters.

Sex Education - Later on in the Summer term years 4, 5 and 6 will be undertaking their Sex Education units of work. In advance of these sessions, we will be holding information meetings for parents where the teachers will explain how this is approached in each year group, what will be covered and they will share some of the resources with you. These meetings will take place **at 3.40pm** on:

Year 4 & 5 – Wednesday 11 June in class 5H

Year 6 – Tuesday 03 June in class 6R

Sports Days – Sports days are scheduled to take place on:

Infants – Thursday 12 June 9.15am

Juniors – Monday 23 June 9:15am

Leavers Service – Save the date if your child is leaving at the end of the school year. We will be holding our annual leavers service during the morning of **Tuesday 22 July at 9:30am in St Mary's Church**. Further details will follow.

SCOPAY Email - Please be aware that the email hookwarsash@scopay.com is **NOT** received by the school unless you are replying to an email sent to you from that address. If you initiate an email to this address it will just disappear into the ether! Please use admin@warsash.hants.sch.uk for all emails to ensure they are received.

NSPCC - Here is a useful link to the NSPCC website and their advice on the importance of positive interactions with babies and young children. It has some interesting information on child brain development.

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-health-development/childhood-trauma-brain-development#serve-and-return>

Inset Days 2025/26 – We are awaiting confirmation of the availability of trainers from Hampshire County Council for a number of our training days for the next academic year. We have been chasing these and will inform you of these dates as soon as possible.

PTFA UPDATE

Bags to School - TUESDAY 13 MAY Second hand clothes & shoes can be brought into school from Friday 9th May and left outside the PTFA Container which is on the field next to the infant playground. See this link for what can be donated <https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>. Bags need to be left by 9am on 13 May latest. We are paid by weight so the more the better! Thank you for your support.

Summer Fair – Friday 27 June - SAVE THE DATE

Our Summer Fair will be back again this year with all your usual favourites and much more! Once again we need plenty of volunteer helpers in order to run this, if you can help for even as little as 1 hour on the day during the fair (3:30-6:30) please join our WhatsApp group here: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DiUzqLcOdb2I4B690uubG8>

Yours sincerely

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Attachments/Flyers: NHS Parent Portal Info / Half Term Tennis Camp Flyer / Online Safety Newsletter

Next Week

Mon	05 May	Bank Holiday	
Tue	06 May	HMS Guitar	Y5/6 Cricket 8:00-8:45am Spanish Lunchtime Y1-2 Dodgeball starts 3:30/4:30pm
Wed	07 May	HMS Music – Brass / Keyboard 09/2025 New Entrants Meeting 2:10pm & 7:00pm	French Lunchtime Y4 Football Lunchtime KS2 Art Club 3:30/5:00pm Judo 3:30pm & 5:30pm
Thurs	08 May	VE DAY – Wear Red/White/Blue £1 Donation Production Choir 3:30/4:30pm	Y5/6 Cricket Lunchtime Y1/2 Art Club 3:30/4:30pm
Fri	09 May	Y3 Swimming	Y3-6 Dodgeball 3:30/4:30pm

Mon	12 May	SATs Week HMS Woodwind Tuition restarts
Tue	13 May	Bags2School Collection
Thurs	15 May	Census Day – Theme Menu
Fri	16 May	PTFA Styling Event
Sun	18 May	Dig Day
Tue	20 May	Whole School - Class Photos Parent E-Safety Workshop 5:30-6:30pm
Wed	21 May	Y3 Fishbourne Trip 09/2025 New Entrants Group 1 Stay & Play
Thurs	22 May	09/2025 New Entrants Group 2 Stay & Play
Fri	23 May	Y6 Paultons Park Trip
26 May – 30 May		Half Term
Mon	02 Jun	Inset Day

Tue	03 Jun	Y2 Arundel Castle Trip Y6 Sex Ed Parents Meeting 3:40pm in 6R
Wed	04 Jun	09/2025 New Entrants Meeting 13:50 - 14:45
Thurs	05 Jun	Production Photos
Mon	09 Jun	Y6 Father's Day Sale Y3 Heartstart
Tue	10 Jun	Y6 Brookfield Bridging Day Y4 Heartstart
Wed	11 Jun	Y6 French Residential Y5 Heartstart Y4 & 5 Sex Ed Parents Meeting 3:40pm in 5H
Thurs	12 Jun	Y6 French Residential Infant Sports Day (AM) Y4/Y5 Heartstart Session 2
Fri	13 Jun	Y0-5 Father's Day Sale Y6 French Residential
Mon	16 Jun	Y4 Heartstart 09/2025 New Entrants Parents Meeting 2 1:50 - 2:45pm
Tue	24 Jun	Y4 Mary Rose Trip
Wed	23 Jun	Junior Sports Day (AM)
Fri	27 Jun	PTFA Summer Fair
Wed	02 Jul	09/2025 Penguins Class Visit 13:30 - 14:00
Thurs	03 Jul	09/2025 Turtles Class Visit 13:30 - 14:00
Fri	04 Jul	Y6 Brookfield Induction Day
Tue	08 Jul	Peter Pan daytime rehearsal and Production Waypoint Church Y6 Brookfield Parent Information Evening
Wed	09 Jul	Peter Pan Production Waypoint Church
Thurs	10 Jul	Peter Pan Production Waypoint Church
Fri	11 Jul	Inset Day