



'Together for Excellence'

January 2024

Dear parents and carers,

The holidays always fly by but we hope that you've had a rejuvenating and exciting break. We are ready and raring to go — a new year and a new term!

This term, we will be continuing to develop our teaching and learning across the Federation, ensuring your child is able to access a wide and fulfilling curriculum. During the INSET day on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan, teachers took part in maths training and also worked with Hampshire Inspection and Advisory Service to develop subject leadership capacity.



Mrs Webb



**NO  
PHONE  
ZONE**

### Mobile phones

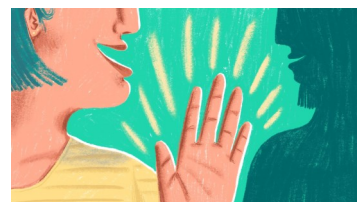
Please remember that we do not allow phones in school.

Please contact the school if you have any concerns. Thank you for your support.

### Rhymes and songs

Children who can recall at least five nursery rhymes are more likely to be proficient readers. Try learning a new song or rhyme together, in your first language if you speak another.

We would love to hear any that your children learn so please do encourage them to share them with us!



### A good start to the day

Drinking water is absolutely crucial for all of us to help us feel awake and ready to take on the day. Lots of children can forget to drink. We will be encouraging them to have some water when they come into school, before their lessons begin.

You can help them out at breakfast with fresh cool water—try putting some lemon or orange slices in if they don't particularly like drinking water.

Children will always be allowed to drink at school so please contact us if you are concerned your child hasn't had enough.



## School uniform

Being 'Wellington Smart' is important in helping your child understand their role and responsibility at our school. Here is a guide to our uniform. If you need support with your child's uniform, we are here to help.

Purple school jumper or cardigan (purchased from school)  
White polo shirt  
Black/grey skirt, shorts or trousers. Leggings are not school uniform.



Indoor PE: white t-shirt and black/grey/navy shorts

Outdoor: as above, with school jumper. Leggings or tracksuit bottoms can be worn. Socks and trainers.

## Frimley Health and Care



This page can help you to identify the correct service if you have a medical need. Thank you for helping to alleviate the pressure from the NHS at this time.

<https://www.frimleyhealthandcare.org.uk/your-health/choose-the-right-service/Aldershot-urgent-care-centre/>



The British Red Cross can offer help to you if you are a refugee or an asylum seeker. Please see the link below:

<https://www.redcross.org.uk/get-help/get-help-as-a-refugee>

Please let us know if you need any support to use any of the services or the website.

Hampshire libraries offer so many wonderful and free activities.

Remember: they are all safe spaces and Warm Hubs.

### Community Connections at Aldershot Library

Second Wednesday of the month  
Midday to 1pm

A free drop-in for all seekers of sanctuary for a chat, helpful information and signposting.

Colouring and Lego® bricks available for children.

Wednesday → Aldershot Library →

Sanctuary events →

Warm and welcome →

## Attendance update

# 100%


For the Autumn term, our whole school attendance was

## 95.97%

Please remember that we are here to support you and will work with you to help your child get to school on time. Thank you.

## Key dates for spring term

**Christmas Holidays: Monday 18th December — Tuesday 2nd January**



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| Tuesday 2nd January   | - INSET Day  |
| Wednesday 3rd January | - Children begin back at school                              |
| Friday 5th January    | - 'Coffee, Cake & Calculations' in Community Room (9am-11am) |
| Thursday 11th January | - Year 5 Swimming commences                                  |
| Friday 12th January   | - 'Coffee, Cake & Calculations' in Community Room (9am-11am) |
| Friday 19th January   | - 'Coffee, Cake & Calculations' in Community Room (9am-11am) |
| Tuesday 23rd January  | - Year 3 trip to British Museum                              |
| Friday 26th January   | - 'Coffee, Cake & Calculations' in Community Room (9am-11am) |
| Monday 29th January   | - Targeted pupil's parent's evenings (all week)              |
| Tuesday 30th January  | - Year 5 'Victorian Day' at school                           |
| Tuesday 6th February  | - Internet Safety Day  |
| Tuesday 6th February  | - Year R 'Stay & Play' (Superhero dress-up)                  |
| Friday 9th February   | - Year 6 'World War 2 Day' at school                         |

**Half Term: Monday 12th February — Friday 16th February**

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| Monday 19th February | - INSET Day                            |
| Tuesday 7th March    | - World Book Day                       |
| Tuesday 12th March   | - Class photos                         |
| Tuesday 19th March   | - Year R 'Stay & Play' (Spring crafts) |
| Monday 25th March    | - Year R trip to Gordon Brown Centre   |
| Friday 29th March    | - Good Friday (School Closed)          |

**Easter Holidays: Monday 1st April — Friday 12th April**

*Please note that more information regarding these dates will be communicated in further correspondence. Some dates may be subject to change and new dates may be added throughout the term. In these instances, we will endeavour to give as much notice as possible.*

## Online Safety

We are in a world which is heavily reliant on the internet. It is crucial to keep our children safe online and to educate them about online safety as the internet can be a dangerous place for our children if it is not used and monitored appropriately.



Supporting Young People Online (available in different languages)

<https://www.childnet.com/resources/supporting-young-people-online/>

Online guides and resources for a variety of ages and topics including: screen time, gaming, cyberbullying, social media...

[https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/esafety-leaflets-resources/#age\\_guide](https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/esafety-leaflets-resources/#age_guide)

## Family Support Service

Hart and Rushmoor are offering spaces for the following Parent Support Programmes: Talking Teens, NVR (Non-violent Resistance), and the Nurture Programme.

If you would like support via any of these programmes, please get in touch with us and we will be able to provide more details.