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Our accessible, inclusive & nourishing environments will foster self- assured, articulate and aspiring learners, with the resourcefulness to remain hopeful, resilient and adaptable, (even) in a changing and unpredictable world.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week I had the pleasure of joining Year 5 for their residential at Tile Barn. It was lovely to see the children enjoying all of the activities and making happy memories. A big thank you to the staff (Mrs Collier & Mrs Thorne) and volunteers (Ryan, Ben, Claire M, Caroline, Rebecca, Claire K & Lucy) who gave up their time to make the trip possible.

I'm sure the children (and staff) will benefit from the weekend; an opportunity to catch up on missed sleep.

Kind regards

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Year R—Wilf Armitage & Layla Smith

Year 1—William Kelly & Lucy Hayball

Year 2—Billy Vincent & Belle Curry

Year 3— Mabel Pass

Year 4—Nicolas Booth

Year 6 - Lacie Warner

Golden Leaf—Caleb Tomsett



New Entrants

Local councils sent out letters confirming primary school places on Monday 15th April. Letters were sent to your home address and state whether your child has been offered a place at any of the schools you applied for last year. **To confirm your acceptance of the place**, we ask that parents provide the school with evidence of the address provided on your application and your child's date of birth, by **Friday 3rd May.**

You will need your child's birth certificate or passport to evidence their date of birth. As evidence of the address used in your application you should provide two of the following:

- a recent household bill, for example a gas, electricity, water, or Council Tax bill
- a recent bank statement, credit card statement, or store card statement And if you have moved house:
- a solicitor's letter confirming that exchange of contracts has taken place, or
- a signed tenancy agreement

Parking at the Village Hall in Damerham

We respectfully ask that parents using the car park at the village hall refrain from using the grounds as a play area for their children. The hall committee pays to have the area kept in good order for hall hirers, in particular weddings, which bring in the revenue to keep the hall going. The committee is kind enough to allow us to use the facility which helps to reduce congestion outside the school and we wish to ensure this remains. As part of the close knit community we want to make sure we remain respectful to the needs and wishes of our residents. Thank you for your support.

Pupil Premium

If your income has reduced significantly you might be eligible for pupil premium. You can check your eligibility using the link below: https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/freeschoolmeals/juniorsecondary

You only need to do this once and it will last for the duration of your child's time at their current school. This will ensure that our school and the children we serve are as well funded as possible.

INSET Days (2024-2025)

Teachers in Local Authority schools have five days each year when they work in school without the children present. These 'In Service Training' days are called 'INSET days' for short. These days are vital to school and professional development. Next year our INSET days are as follows;

Monday 2nd September 2024

Thursday 24th October 2024

Friday 25th October 2024

Monday 24th February 2025

Friday 27th June 2025

The Hampshire term dates can be found on the link below:

https://documents.hants.gov.uk/education/school-year-2024-2025.pdf

School Diary	
	EASTER HOLIDAY 29/3/24—12/4/24
W/c 13th May	KS2 SATS
	SUMMER HALF TERM HOLIDAY 27/5/24—31/5/24
Monday 3rd June	INSET DAY
W/c 4th June	Multiplication Tables Check
Wednesday 5th June	Friends Meeting, 8pm The Compasses
w/c 10th June	Year 1 Phonics Check
Tuesday 11th June	Bag2school
Thursday 20th June	Whole School Sports Day
Sunday 23rd June	Damerham Dash—5km and children's colour run
Friday 28th June	Sponsored Walk
Thursday 4th July	School Production
Friday 5th July	Moving Up day
Saturday 6th July	Friends Coffee Morning @ Martin
W/c 8th July	Year 6 Wales Residential
Wednesday 10th July	Reports due home
Friday 19th July	Year 2 End of Year Awards & Little Foresters Graduation
Monday 22nd July	Leavers Lunch
Tuesday 23rd July	Leavers Service @ St Andrews Church, Rockbourne
	SUMMER HOLIDAY—24/7/23