



NEWSLETTER

Friday 4th October 2024

CLASS FOCUS



Chimes have been enjoying their topic called “All About Me” where they have been exploring lots of different things all about them. They have great fun reading their topic story called “What I Like About Me” by Allia Zobel Nolan and have tried on lots of different wigs, explored giant ears, chattering teeth, eyebrows and other facial features. Everyone has worked hard looking at themselves in the mirror in the different props. Olly thinks he has rocked every hair style whereas Missy has been less convinced when she looks at herself with different features.

The students have also been exploring their senses in a sensology session based around the topic including tasting different flavoured syrups, touching different textures and looking at different objects such as shiny fabrics. Abel enjoyed tasting the strawberry and chocolate sauce and Missy loved watching the shiny fabric.

They have been going out and about, shopping for cooking ingredients and then having snack at the café where they tasted the jam flavour of the day and see what they thought about it. Delilah and Missy love tasting the jams especially when its strawberry. Phoebe enjoys choosing and buying her snack for the week.





In cooking the class is working through family favourite recipes. They started with Cerys' cookie recipe, then made Olly's waffle recipe. Next they will make Missy's apple crumble recipe. Phoebe loves exploring all the ingredients especially when she gets to taste them! A mixing bowl with a connecting switch has been used so the students can take turns activating the machine. Abel has been using both types of whisks, the switch controlled one and the hand whisk with help.

Physio is very important in Chimes and looks different for every student. Phoebe loves going horse riding each week and showing off her amazing core strength! Delilah is working hard improving her head control whilst sitting and reaching for toys. Everyone LOVES hydro time when they get to have fun whilst completing their hydrotherapy programmes.



PORTCHESTER CASTLE VISIT BANJO AND OBOE CLASS

On Friday 27th September, Banjo and Oboe classes visited Portchester Castle. They have been learning all about castles this term, so this was an excellent opportunity to see and experience a real-life castle. They were met by the education team who put on an excellent workshop for the students, telling them all about castle life. They were able to dress up and feel different props such as knights' helmets and chainmail. Jack said, "I really enjoyed dressing up as a king" and Destiny said "I was queen for the day!" Shristi asked to try on a knight's helmet and was happy to wear it. They looked at a longbow and talked about how soldiers would protect the castle. They even learnt about the types of food they may have eaten.

After the workshop, there was more exploration of the castle, feeling the castle walls and soaking up the atmosphere. They managed to sneak in a quick game of hide and seek before returning to school! "It was a good castle," said Arthur. Kieran loved exploring and climbing amongst the castle walls.





HARVEST TIME

This is just a reminder regarding the Harvest Festival being held next week on **Monday, 7th October**. The Foodbank usually collects the donations around lunchtime on the same day.



Any donations that you feel able to make will be greatly appreciated by the Foodbank who are stocking up for winter and Christmas.

The preferable items are:-

Tinned fruit

Tinned meat

Tinned tomatoes

Tinned soup

Curry sauce

Pasta sauce

Rice pudding

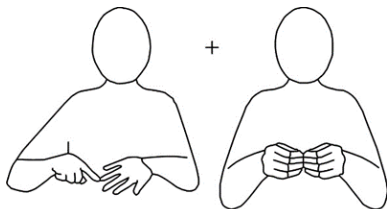
Custard

Baked beans

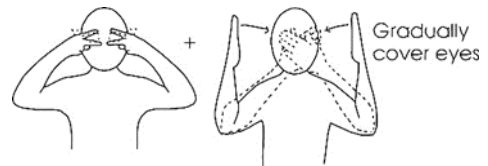
Long life milk

Treats (chocs..)

SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF THE WEEK



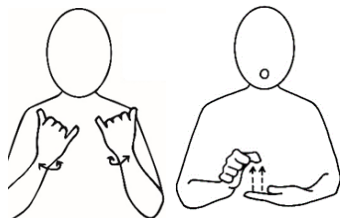
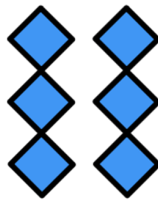
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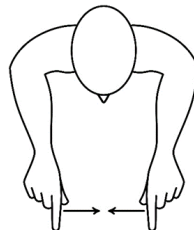
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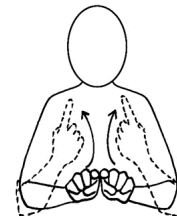
Halloween



Diwali



Same



Different

Stronger **TESCO**
Starts  Every little helps

WATCH THIS SPACE!!!!

LUNCHTIME THEME DAY

Many of you will know that yesterday we had a theme day at lunchtime which was provided by Dolce, the new catering company we are now using.



The students enjoyed their Sponge Bob Krabby Patties, Lilo & Stitch Hawaiian Pizzas and Sonic's Golden Coins. The food went down a treat and the children enjoyed trying a few new dishes.



SHOEBOX APPEAL

We offer no apologies for mentioning Christmas during the first week of October. This is because it is for the Shoebox Appeal in aid of children in poorer Eastern Europe countries.



Over 18,000 boxes were collected last year by the Rotary Wessex Annual Shoebox Appeal, with over £35,000 for transport and packaging costs. [Andover Rotary collected 265 boxes and £530 towards transport costs.](#)

If you feel you are able to help this year, please contact the school and we will provide you with a shoebox with more information about the ideal gifts to put in the shoebox. They mainly consist of items for hygiene, warmth, education and games to help with development, i.e. items that many children take for granted. There is also a further £2 requested to cover costs for transportation.

[The Rotary Club is hoping to collect them from us during the week commencing 4th November.](#)

BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK WERE ...

Abel, Chimes	10 yrs old
Jorge, Glasto	17 yrs old
Nev, Trumpet	11 yrs old
Kieran, Oboe	16 yrs old
Órlaith, Drum	5 yrs old



BIRTHDAYS BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEKEND ARE...

Jack, Glasto	19 yrs old
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Happy Birthday everyone!

DIARY DATES—AUTUMN TERM (1) 2024

OCTOBER

7th	Harvest Festival
8th	Mottisfont visit (FE 1)
9th	Mottisfont visit (FE 2)
9th	Portchester Castle visit (Trumpet and Cello classes)
15th	Full Governors' Meeting (4pm)
24th	Parents' Evening

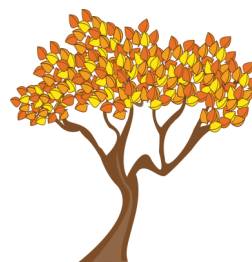
25th **INSET DAY (FE ONLY)**

28th October—1st November—HALF TERM

DIARY DATES—AUTUMN TERM (2) 2024

NOVEMBER

6th	INSET DAY (WHOLE SCHOOL)
13th	School photographer
15th	Children in Need
25th	Theme Day (1) - Kings & Queens



DECEMBER

4th	FE Christmas Market
6th	Hants Music Service Special Event, Winchester Cathedral
10th	Full Governors' Meeting (4pm)
12th	School Nativity, St Mary's Church (details to follow)
17th	House Reward Trip
19th	Christmas Lunch & special guest visit
20th	Last day of Autumn Term

DIARY DATES — SPRING TERM (1) 2025

JANUARY

6th **RETURN TO SCHOOL (School & FE)**

SUPERSTAR OF THE WEEK

The following students have been awarded the Class Star of the Week Award:

- Chimes - Olly
- Drum - Órlaith
- Maracas - James
- Tambourine - Shelby
- Triangle - Jakey
- Trumpet - Nev
- Oboe - Shristi
- Banjo - Fergus
- Cello - Ruby



The School Superstar of the Week is **SHRISTI!!!**

Shristi is a calm and happy young lady who sometimes lets us see her cheeky side. She enjoys eating out at the café and shows impeccable behaviour when there. Shristi is fond of singing and dancing and also enjoys bucket lessons as well as art and cooking. She is the master washer-upper in class and is great at completing any of the class jobs she has been assigned.

FE PPICC CHAMPIONS

(Personal, Physical, Independence, Cognitive, Communication)



Kiera

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Haoran



CHAMPIONS