



NEWSLETTER

Friday 7th November 2025

WEEKLY CLASS FOCUS



It's 'Lights, Camera, Action!' time, and Trumpet class are raring to go on another half term of learning and fun! The children have come back to school after last week's break with great enthusiasm and have settled back into their routines brilliantly!

In 'The World' leaning, they have been exploring light and what a light source is, They have been sorting lots of different items into 'light source' and 'not a light source' categories. Fun fact: The moon is NOT a light source. It reflects light from the sun into our eyes.

In cooking this week, they have made the first of many cinema and film snacks, perfect for the cinema or a movie session on the sofa – popcorn with a choice of toppings! The children popped the corn on the hob, learning how to use a hob safely and where popcorn comes from. They then chose their toppings from a selection of butter, salt, sugar, cinnamon, grated chocolate, melted chocolate and honey, before devouring it – there were some rather unusual topping combinations!





Using props and masks, Trumpet class have been exploring the first of four fairytales: The Gingerbread Man, joining in to recite the repeated phrase 'Run, run, as fast as you can. You can't catch me I'm the Gingerbread Man!', enjoying a sensory story of the original tale, exploring different versions of the story with extra characters, creating their own versions with new characters, and baking their own gingerbread men!

The Trumpet team has lots more exciting activities and learning planned to keep them busy over the rest of the term too!

CHILDREN IN NEED

Next Friday, 14th November, is going to be a themed dress down day, all in aid of Children in Need.



Everyone is welcome to come dressed in spots for a small donation, so we look forward to seeing a variety of spotty children and adults on the day. *Remember*, it is not compulsory and donations are welcome if your child wishes to be spotty or not.

We will also be having an iconic visitor —bet you can't guess who that is????!!!

BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

- Chloe, Victorious - 17 yrs old
- Zachary, Tambourine - 9 yrs old
- Tinashe, Glastonbury - 17 yrs old



BONFIRE ASSEMBLY

In Monday's assemblies the students were taught about the history behind Bonfire Night and why it is celebrated. They were told about the foiled attempt to blow up the Houses of Parliament on 5th November 1605 by Guy Fawkes and how King James declared a celebration because he had survived the plot. They learnt why fireworks and bonfires are lit to commemorate the event and even enjoyed watching some sparklers being lit in the school hall. The students were also informed about food that is traditionally eaten while watching fireworks to keep warm, i.e. jacket potatoes, hot dogs and toffee apples!



FE CHRISTMAS MARKET—3rd December, 3.30-6pm

Now that Halloween and Bonfire Night are over, we are not apologising for starting to mention Christmas!

In order to prepare for the FE Christmas Market we are asking for donations of soft toys as well as unused/ unwanted items (that have been lying in the back of a drawer for ages) which would be suitable for their gift stall.



SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF THE WEEK



Remembrance Day	poppy (red flower)	war	died
think	a long time ago	field	soldier

AUTUMN TERM 2025

NOVEMBER

- 14th Children in Need
- 25th Governor Training (4pm-6pm)
- 28th School photographer (individual & family photos)

DECEMBER

- 3rd FE Christmas market
- 9th Full Governors' Meeting
- 5th Hampshire Music Special Celebration, Winchester
- 11th Nativity—St Mary's Church, Andover
- 15th Hanukkah theme week
- 16th House Reward Trip—Pantomime at Basingstoke
- 18th Christmas Lunch (+ special guest)

22nd—2nd Jan CHRISTMAS BREAK (WHOLE SCHOOL)

SPRING TERM 2026

JANUARY

5th Jan WHOLE SCHOOL RETURNS



SUPERSTAR OF THE WEEK

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

Chimes	- Jack B
Drum	- Elana
Maracas	- James P
Tambourine	- Zachary C
Triangle	- Emir
Trumpet	- Elliott
Oboe	- Shristi
Banjo	- Alfie
Harp	- Panashe
Cello	- Luci



The School Superstar of the Week is JACK!!

Jack is a very chatty young man who likes to check everyone is doing as they should and are on schedule. He loves a silly noise or sneeze and has a wicked sense of humour. He is the king of dressing up and becoming different characters.

Jack works so, so hard in physio and has developed a wonderful "I can do this" attitude. He is becoming more confident chatting to students from other classes and has a fantastic laugh!

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