

# Autumn 1 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the beginning of another very busy school year. It is a real pleasure to also welcome our new parents and children to Caterpillar and Ladybird classes. We are a very 'open' school and ask that if you have any questions or successes you would like to share with us, please do pop in and talk to myself or the teachers.

## THE DISCOVERY CENTRE



We are delighted with the new building work which has provided three new cloakrooms and created larger working areas in the existing library. We now move on to phase two which is to design and create the Discovery Centre in the existing library area. So watch this space and we will let you know when the Discovery Centre will be launched!



### CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the Circus themed Summer Reading Challenge run by the Hampshire School Library Service. A good number of our children read six books and received the certificate and medal. Well done!



### DATE LISTS

Attached to this newsletter are the school dates for the year and a Hampshire school date list. Details of any events will be sent nearer the time.

### WELCOME

We welcome new members of staff. Mrs Caroline Stapleton, Deputy Headteacher who will be teaching Frog class, Mrs Amy Roberts who joins the Year 2 team and teaching Dragonfly class and Mrs Christina Collett who is additional teaching support and working across the two Year 1 classes.

### CARS

Please can we remind you that you are not allowed to drive on to the school site at the beginning of the day (8.30-9.00am) and at the end of the day (3.00-3.30pm) to bring or collect your children. This is for the safety of children and families walking down the drive. Thank you for your cooperation.





## **ONLINE PAYMENT**

We are delighted so many of you are using our online payment facility. If you've not used it yet, or need help or instructions to access it, please call in at the office and speak to Mrs Tanya Whitby.

## **ATTENDANCE**

If your child is unwell, please call the school before 9.00am to let us know that your child will be absent. If we do not hear from you a text will be sent after the registers close at 9.00am.

If you are planning a holiday, please ensure it is during school holiday time. If a request for holiday absence during term time is received it will be considered alongside your child's attendance record (95%+) and their learning progress in school.

Jan Sampson  
**Headteacher**