



25th October 2024

### A Message from Miss Olver

We have finally reached the end of this half term! What a long, busy and positive half term it has been.

There has been so much going on in school: so many fantastic opportunities, experiences, great learning and things to celebrate that I feel very proud of our pupils, staff and school community. Thank you to everyone who has supported us over the past 8 weeks.

A huge thank you to anyone who has donated items to us via the Amazon wishlist, I believe we have received well over £600 worth of resources which will make a huge difference to our school.

I hope you all have a lovely half term and look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 5th November.

### Dates for your Diary:

**Mon 28th Oct—Fri 1st Nov Half Term**

Mon 4th Nov—INSET Day

Wed 6th Nov 3-3.30pm Y4 Times Tables Check Information Meeting for Parents

Fri 8th Nov—FEMS MUFTI Day (Chocolate)

Mon 11th Nov 5.30-7pm Pathways to Resilience Information Meeting for Parents

Fri 15th Nov—House Team Children in Need Day

Tues 19th Nov—FEMS MUFTI Day (Bottles)

Fri 29th Nov—School Photos

Sun 8th Dec—FEMS Christmas Fair

### Voyagers Trip to the Al Mahdi Centre Mosque

On Tuesday 22nd October, Voyagers Class visited the Al Mahdi Centre Mosque in Titchfield. They had been learning about Islam in RE, exploring the five pillars of Islam, mosques as special places of worship and how Muslims show they belong to their faith. They found the trip really interesting, giving them first-hand experience of what it is like inside a mosque. Thank you to Mrs Sole for taking them and to Ms Bloor, Mrs Sims, Mrs Silver, Mrs Hext-Harvey and Mrs Elliott for helping with the trip. Thank you as well to the Al Mahdi Centre for letting us visit for free.



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### Year 3/4 Dodgeball

On Tuesday 22nd October, five children from Years 1 and 2 went to Langrish Primary School to take part in a Year 3/4 Dodgeball Competition. The children had a great time playing friendly matches against teams from Langrish and worked well in their team. Thank you to Miss Riley for taking them and to all the parents who helped with transport.



### Key Stage 1 Infant Agility Festival

On Wednesday 23rd October, four children from Years 1 and 2 went to Eggars School to take part in a Key Stage 1 Infant Agility Festival. They completed a carousel of activities to develop skills in throwing, catching and travelling. They had a great time and joined in really well. Thank you to Miss Lambton for taking them and to all the parents who helped with transport.



### Pathways to Resilience Parent Meeting

In January, a company called Pathways to Resilience will be coming to work with our Year 6 cohort each Monday to support them to develop tools to help with balance, self-belief, optimism and perseverance ready for secondary school. The team will be holding a parent/carer workshop which is open to **all** parents at the school on Monday 11th November from 5.30-7pm (flyer attached) to give advice to parents about supporting children in these areas.

### Remembrance

We are quickly approaching Remembrance Day. We will be marking this event in school with a service at the church with Father Tony just for the children on Friday 8th November and then we will mark the silence at 11am at school on Monday 11th November.

We will be selling merchandise to raise money for the Royal British Legion when we return from half term. Normal poppies are 20p, plastic poppies and stickers are 50p and bracelets are £1. Year 6 children will be selling these on the playground each day at breaktime.



### FEMS Mufti Days

Although it feels far too early to mention the word Christmas, FEMS are already busily preparing for the Christmas Fair which will take place on Sunday 8th December. To help them get the resources they need, they have organised two non-school uniform days:

Friday 7th November—Please bring a donation of chocolate.

Tuesday 19th November (to mark our school's 60th anniversary!) - Please bring a bottle donation. Many thanks for your support with FEMS activities as always.