



17th January 2025

A Message from Miss Olver

This week we had our annual visit from our Learning and Leadership Partner, Chris Brooks-Martin, from Hampshire County Council. He spent the day at school watching lessons, looking at children's books, exploring key school documents and finding out about how we safeguard children. He was full of positive comments, praising the excellent learning behaviour and polite manners of the children and the great teaching and support in place from our staff. We also had a visit from the English Hub Phonics Advisor who commented on our 'really good teaching' of Phonics across Discoverers and Adventurers. Needless to say, I am feeling very proud of our amazing school this week!

Dates for your Diary:

Week Beginning Mon 20th Jan—Mock SATs Week for Year 6

Wed 29th Jan 3.45-4.30—Y3-6 Cross Country at Perins School

Tues 11th Feb—Explorers Egyptian Day

Fri 14th Feb 3.30pm—FEMS Valentines Day Cake Sale

Mon 17th—Fri 21st Feb—Half Term

Thurs 6th March—World Book Day

Music at East Meon

This week, Voyagers Class started their Listen 2 Me lessons for the term with Mrs Whitehouse from Hampshire Music Service. This term they are learning how to play the violin. In their first lesson, they learnt a bit about the instrument and how to hold it in the correct position. They are excited to start playing some notes over the coming few weeks.

Alongside class music lessons, guitar, cornet and clarinet peripatetic lessons have begun again. If you are interested in these lessons for your child, please speak to Mrs T in the office.



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PE Days

There seems to have been a bit of confusion around PE kit and days this week.

To confirm:

Wednesdays—PE for Adventurers, Explorers and Voyagers

Thursdays—PE for Discoverers and Explorers



Forest School

Year 1 had their first Forest School session with Mrs Perkins on Monday.



They had a go at sawing and creating their own pet logs. They also tried out the obstacle course, climbing through the trees.

Explorers Class—Upcoming Egyptian Day

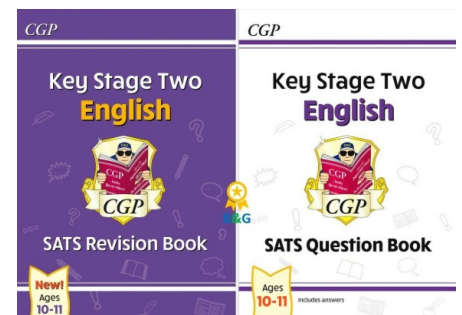
Explorers Class have just started their new topic based on the Ancient Egyptians. Ms Stephens is planning a really fun Egyptian Day for the class on Tuesday 11th February where the children will be exploring Egyptian life and death, building and decorating tombs and learning about mummification.

Ms Stephens would like the children to dress up either as an Egyptologist or as an Ancient Egyptian. More information about this has been sent home with the children today so you can help them start preparing their costumes! Thank you in advance for your support with this.



Year 6 SATs Information

Thank you to all Year 6 parents and carers who attended the Year 6 SATs information meeting which took place on Tuesday. A follow-up letter with information about how we are supporting Year 6 pupils to prepare for the SATs tests was sent home on Wednesday so hopefully all Year 6 parents and carers have now received this. If you have any questions, please ask either class teachers or Miss Olver.



Request for Materials

Discoverers Class are always busy doing modelling and different art and craft activities. Over the next couple of weeks, they are planning some collaging work. If you have any materials which you think would be useful for the children to use for collaging (different materials, wrapping paper, tin foil, cards...), please could you pass them over to Mrs Perkins.

