



17th October 2025

### A Message from Miss Olver

As many of you will now be aware, I have made the very difficult decision to resign from my post as headteacher of East Meon Primary School. I am so proud of the journey the school has been on since I started in January 2024 and feel very blessed to have been a part of this journey. However, the time has come for me to move onto something new. I will be leaving the school at Easter. This not only gives governors time to ensure they find the right person to take over my post, but also gives me time to support the school with a smooth transition as the leadership changes.

Thank you once again for your continued support—I feel so lucky to be part of such a wonderful school and community.

### Dates for your Diary:

- Mon 20th—Individual School Photos
- Tues 21st, Wed 22nd and Thurs 23rd Oct—Parents Evenings
- Wed 22nd Oct 4-5pm—KS1 Agility Festival at Amery Hill
- Fri 24th Oct—FEMS Spooky Disco
- Mon 27th—Fri 31st Oct—Half Term
- Mon 3rd Nov—INSET Day
- Tues 11th Nov 9.30am—Remembrance Service in Church
- Thurs 13th Nov—Flu Vaccinations
- Fri 14th Nov—House Team Children in Need Afternoon

### Parents Evenings

Next week, we will be holding parents evenings on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Each class will have two evenings available for appointments.

We believe that parents evenings are a really important opportunity both for class teachers to share information about how your child is getting on at school, but also for parents to ask any questions they may have.

It is great to see that so many families have already signed up. There are still appointments available for all classes. If you have not yet signed up, please email or phone the school office and Mrs T and Mrs Sims will be able to organise an appointment for you.



### Forest School

Year 3 had their last Forest School session on Wednesday (see photos at top of page). This week they learnt about the game of conkers, using palm drills to drill them and then tying them onto string for some conker competitions! They also did some fire lighting and drunk hot chocolate whilst reflective on their Forest School experience. A huge thank you to Mrs Perkins for all of her work running the sessions and to Mrs Sims, Bex Powney and Hazel Blood for supporting with the sessions.

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## Welcome to Mrs Tebbutt

This week, we are pleased to share with you that Mrs Tebbutt has joined our staff team. You may already recognise her as a parent and governor at the school. Mrs Tebbutt will be working as a classroom assistant and higher level teaching assistant across both Discoverers Class and Adventurers Class. She will be supporting the children with their learning and also covering some lessons. She has lots of experience with teaching young children so I'm sure the children will enjoy learning with her.



## FEMS Update

A huge thank you to everyone who donated chocolate for the FEMS non-uniform day last week. There were a huge number of donations which will set the team up well for the upcoming Christmas Fair.



FEMS' Spooky Disco is taking place next Friday (24th October) from 5-6.30pm at school (see posters). We hope to see lots of you there.



## School Photos

On Monday 20th October, a photographer will be coming to school to take individual photos of the children. Information about how to purchase these will be sent home afterwards. If your child has a younger sibling, not at the school, and you would like a photo of them together, please come to school at 8:30am and come in through the fire doors at the side of the hall.



## Upcoming Key Stage 1 Infant Agility Festival

We have been invited to take part in a Key Stage 1 (Year 1/2) infant agility festival on Wednesday 22nd October from 4-5pm at Amery Hill School in Alton. Thank you to those of you who have returned slips saying your child would like to attend. There are still 5 spaces, so if your child is interested, please pop into the school office or drop us a letter and we can add your child to the list.

## Meet the Governors!

At our recent governor training, we decided that we wanted to raise awareness of who the governors are and the amazing work that our governing board do. In each newsletter from now on, we will introduce one of our governors and share with you a little bit about them and their role. Hopefully this will then mean that families become more aware of our governors and know who to speak to if they want to share anything.



This week, our governor is Simon Sharp. Resident of East Meon and Parish Councillor. Former professional Designer and teacher of Art and Design for 35 years leading innovative departments at Uppingham Leonardo Centre and Bedales Schools. Particular interest in the importance of the role of creative culture in developing intelligence in early education and the relationship between Science and Art /Design in the curriculum. Currently working as an author and exhibiting artist studying the Ancient sites and landscapes of the South Downs. Contributing to the Art activities at the school when available.