



Wednesday 21st May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are nearly at the end of another busy half term! This one has been full of workshops, music lessons and has seen the start of our transition processes for next school year. I would also like to extend a warm Hambleton welcome to Fox in Kingfishers and Michael in Robins who joined recently! Their families have recently moved in to the area and I know that the school community will offer their warmest wishes and help in getting them settled. We will also be welcoming in some new children next half term.

Attendance

I am pleased to see that our overall, whole school attendance has increased over this half term and we are now in line with national averages and only a bit behind the Local Authority averages. Thank you to all of you who have supported the school in increasing our attendance. We still have an above average number of pupils who are defined as persistently absent (attendance rates of 90% or lower) and this remains an area of focus for the school. If you would like any support with helping improve your child's attendance, please do let the school know. Well done to Owls Class who have the highest overall attendance figures for this term so far!

Attendance percentage

School	94.7%
National	94.8%
Local Authority	95.3%

Curriculum Leaflets

A reminder that your child's Summer Term Curriculum Leaflet is under their class page on our website. This shares what your child will be learning about this term. Should you have any questions, please ask your child's teacher.

Multiplication Check and Phonics Check

Next half term will start with our Y4 Multiplication Times Table Check and the Y1 Phonics Screening Check. These checks are required and set by the DfE and are mandatory for schools to administer. They help class teachers see which tables and phonic sounds, respectively, need reviewing before the pupils move on to their next year group. They are administered by their class teacher on an individual basis in a calm and relaxed environment. All of the children undergoing these checks will have had practice beforehand so it is part of their usual classroom practice. I have included parent guidance but should you have any questions, please do contact Mrs Turner or Miss Marshall via the School Office or on the playground. Any Year 2s who did not meet the threshold of the Phonics Check last year will undergo the check again in the assessment window.

Village Hall Play Park

I have been made aware of some barbed wire that makes up part of a fence within/behind the hedges at the play park at the village hall. Please be aware of these and make sure your child is aware of this when playing there.

PeCAN Visits and Small Worlds Art Project

Owls and Ospreys had their final PeCAN (Petersfield Climate Action Network) workshop yesterday on Biodiversity. The presenter was very complimentary of the children saying that they were a fabulous audience, asked great questions, showed a real passion for the environment and engaged with the activities. This workshop ties in nicely with our Art Week, where the whole school has been busy creating group sculptures using globes as part of the Small Worlds Art Exhibition. Small Worlds, a collaborative exhibition that uses creativity to explore climate and our connections to planet, nature, our local green space and people. Small Worlds is part of Hampshire County Council's Climate Unity project. The Winchester Gallery is working in partnership to invite artists, craft makers, schools and communities to collaborate on a large-scale installation in the gallery. The 3D sculptural installation will be based at The Winchester Gallery, Winchester School of Art, Park Avenue, SO223 8DL on show from 11th July - 16th August 2025. All of our pupils are working together to create a 3D globe sculpture for this collaborative work, thinking about their personal connection to nature, to planet, their local green space. Every contribution will form part of a bigger installation that will be suspended from the gallery ceiling, to bring all voices together, and create a visual spectacle that local communities can also contribute to during the exhibition.

Online Safety

Please see the attached resource on 'What Parents Need to Know about Screen Addiction in Children'. This guide provides information on whether or not your child may be spending too much time in front of a screen and also offers some top-tips to help manage this.

Message from The Hambleton Hilly Team

Dear Hilly Friends,

Registration is open for all races - 20km, 10km, 5km and the mini-Hilly races, 2km and 1km. Please remember to register early to enjoy the reduced entry fee.

Register here: https://www.sientries.co.uk/event.php?event_id=15476

Please follow us for updates and news on ...

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/hambletonhilly/?hl=en>

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/hambletonhilly/?locale=en_GB

Best wishes,

The Hambleton Hilly Team

Lost Property

Blue/black adult reading glasses have been found and are in reception area, please collect if they belong to you.

Uniform required

Our spares are running low! If you have any size 8 to 12 shoes/trainers in good condition or boys' pants for age 4-5/5-6 please contact the school office, thank you.

PE Days - Summer 2

Robins - Wednesdays and Fridays

Kingfishers - Wednesdays and Fridays

Owls - Mondays and Thursdays

Ospreys - Mondays and Thursdays

In addition, each KS1 class will receive two tennis taster sessions from our tennis coach, Paul Evans, next half term. Children will need to come in wearing their PE kits on these days too.

They will be: **Robins and Kingfishers: Thursday June 12th, Thursday July 10th**

Wishing you all a lovely, restful, safe half term and looking forward to seeing everyone back on Monday 2nd June, 2025 for our final half term!

Best wishes,

A. Corr

Ms Adrienne Corr, Headteacher

Key Dates Summer Term 2024-2025

These will be added to so please check the bottom of the newsletter regularly!

Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May - Half Term

Monday 2nd June - Whole School/Group Photos - please come in wearing school uniform. Osprey and Owls, bring PE shoes to change into for PE.

Wednesday 4th June - Science With Me at drop-off

2nd June - 13th June: Year 4 Multiplication Check

9th June - 13th June: Year 1 Phonics Check and Year 2 resit Phonics Check

Monday 9th June - Maths With Me at drop-off

Wednesday 18th June - Year 3/4 trip to Marwell Zoo

Friday 20th June - Write With Me at drop-off

Monday 23rd June - Whole School Parents Evening

Tuesday 24th June - Robins and Kingfisher Parents Evening

Wednesday 25th June - Owls and Ospreys Parents Evening

Monday 30th June - Inset Day

Wednesday July 2nd - PSHE With Me at drop-off

Friday 4th July - Sports Day - more information to follow but we are considering the afternoon rather than our traditional morning.

Monday 7th July - Friday 11th July - Year 5/6 Residential Trip to Runways End

Monday 14th July - Whole School Move Up morning

Monday 21st July - Whole School trip to Stubbington Study Centre - more information to follow

Tuesday 22nd July - Leavers Assembly and final day of term

School Holidays dates can be found here: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schoolholidays>

INSET Days for 2025/2026

Wednesday September 3rd, 2025

Monday November 3rd, 2025

Monday February 23rd, 2025

Friday June 26th, 2025

Monday June 29th, 2025