



Wednesday 15th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Ospreys Class

Ospreys have continued to have a very busy couple of weeks. They have started a new English unit based on the book *The Secrets of the Sun King* by Emma Carroll, and they are using all of their knowledge from their history unit to really immerse themselves in the story. Ospreys completed an RE unit about sacred places by looking at items that could be found in a mosque. They asked such insightful questions and showed great respect to the religious items, showing great maturity. They also had a visit from the SCARF Team to find out more about how to keep themselves safe online. Again, the feedback from the visitor was so positive about the children's engagement and intelligent questions. Well done Ospreys!



### Owls Class

Owls have had a great start to the school year! They have been learning about the Stone Age through to the Iron Age in History and loved getting their hands on the artefact box. They were very excited to see some replica items from this huge period of history and were able to offer some very interesting and engaging insights as to which of the three periods they thought the items might be from and what purpose they could have served. Throughout the unit so far, we have compared life in Stone Age Britain to life now, and found out all about the settlement of Skara Brae.

On Monday this week, we also had our SCARF workshop and the children were really engaged with finding out about strategies that they can use to support themselves with their feelings. They were even able to offer Harold the Giraffe some excellent advice when he was upset about his friend not being at school!

Currently, they are busily preparing to share some of their beautiful poetry at the Harvest Service next week.



### Robins Class

The children have settled really well into Robins Class. They have got to grips with the morning routines, coming in with smiles and beginning to say good morning to the adults in the room. They are becoming independent with getting themselves ready and to the carpet. Choosing lunches can take time, but some children come in with a clear idea about what they would like.

We have started our phonics programme, learning the first few sounds and their actions. These will have come home with them for them to share and practise with you. Reading books are being shared in school and we are lucky to

have one of our Governors, Mrs Butler, who comes in and reads with them on a Monday afternoon. We have also started our visits to our school library where we can look at and choose books to bring home.

We have also started our 'Mastering Number' programme, during which the children are developing a deep understanding of small numbers.

We have been enjoying developing our learning in our outside environment whilst the weather has been so good, enjoying sand and water play, jigsaws and painting, creating obstacle courses and using our observation skills and imaginations.

Robins really enjoyed their SCARF workshop, during which, we focused on being resilient and we met Harold Giraffe. We also had a great time with the Olympic Athlete that visited us.

We are looking forward to performing our song for you at the Harvest Service at the end of the term!



There will be news from Kingfishers class in next newsletter!

#### House Captains and Vice Captains

The Houses have voted and our 2025-2026 House Captains and Vice Captains are....

Mead – Razzaq & Frankie

Southerton – Penny & Cooper

Kennedy – Paddy & Sjors (tie for Captain) & Theo

Shackleton – Annabelle & Bernie

#### School Council

Elsie Rose L, Sophie, Annabelle, Trixie, Sienna, Lily B

The House Captains and Vice Captains will work with myself and Miss Marshall to plan different House competition events, tally up House Points, and support children at Sports Day and other whole school events. The School Council will work with Mrs Angio to organise fundraising events, conduct pupil voice learning walks, lead tours of the school and liaise between their classmates and school staff on ways to make our school an even better place! They have already sent out information about Harvest Festival and are busy organising Children in Need! Well done to all of those who wrote speeches and I look forward to watching these children take on

#### Great Athletes

Yesterday we had Luke Delahunty, from Great Athletes, visit our school. Luke is an Invictus Games competitor and led the children through rounds of circuits before sharing an assembly with them describing the nature of his injury, how it happened and all of the sports he has competed in or taken part in since. The children were very excited to meet him, put their all into the circuits and raised the roof with their cheers and words of encouragement for other classes! He was also impressed with how much we have raised so far (over £700) towards new sports equipment – a reminder that you have until next Tuesday to send any sponsorship money in or donate online at <https://portal.greatathletes.org/events/landing>. Alternatively, you can scan the QR code on the sponsorship form from last week.

### Secondary School

If your child is in Year 6, secondary school applications open on 8<sup>th</sup> September and close on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025. More information can be found on the Hampshire Admissions page.

### Community First

Please find attached flyers re. Local Children's Partnerships News and Information.

Best wishes,

A. Corr

Ms Adrienne Corr, Headteacher

### **Key Dates Autumn 2025-2026**

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

Monday October 20<sup>th</sup> – Whole School Diwali Workshop – PE kit required.

Monday October 20<sup>th</sup> – Parents Evening for all year groups

Tuesday October 21<sup>st</sup> – Parents Evening for Ospreys

Wednesday October 22<sup>nd</sup> – Parents Evening for Owls

Thursday October 23<sup>rd</sup> – Parents Evening for Robins and Kingfishers

Friday October 24<sup>th</sup> – Harvest Service at the Church at 9:15am. All families can join. Foodbank donations to come in to school.

More information will come about Christmas events, but I know calendars get busy so wanted to let you know about key dates

Thursday November 13<sup>th</sup> – Maths With Me, 8:50 – 9:20am – parents and carers invited to come in and join in with some maths activities

Friday November 14<sup>th</sup> – Children in Need. More info to follow

Thursday November 20<sup>th</sup> – School Photographs (portrait)

Friday November 21<sup>st</sup> – Maths Parent Workshop, 9:00-9:30am

Monday December 8<sup>th</sup> – Rock Steady concert @2:30pm for parents of pupils enrolled.

Monday December 15<sup>th</sup> – Robins and Kingfishers Nativity in the Church @2pm

Tuesday December 16<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday December 16<sup>th</sup> – Violin Concert for Ospreys Parents @ 1:20pm

Wednesday December 17<sup>th</sup> – Robins and Kingfishers Nativity in the Church @ 9:30am

Thursday December 18<sup>th</sup> – Owls and Ospreys Carol Concert in the Church @ 9:15am

Friday December 19<sup>th</sup> – Whole School Trip to the pantomime

### INSET Days for 2025/2026

Monday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

Monday February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026

Friday June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### P.E. Days

Robins (Years R) – Wednesdays

Kingfishers (Years 1 & 2) – Wednesdays and Fridays

Owls (Years 3 & 4) – Thursdays and Fridays

Ospreys (Years 5 & 6) – Mondays and Thursdays