



Wednesday 16th July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can hardly believe this is the final newsletter of the year! It has been a hugely successful year, with our successful Local Authority and Ofsted inspections and above national averages statutory assessments however, more importantly, we have been able to offer our pupils so many different experiences that go beyond the required National Curriculum! The children have been audiences for and/or participants in over ten performances/concerts, partaken in numerous environmental workshops, had the opportunity to attend six different sports competitions, gone on two whole school trips as well as other classroom led trips to support their topics of learning. They have taken part in poetry competitions, Guinness Book of World Record attempts, attended author workshops and raised money/supported six different local and national charities, and organised a Christmas Fair! They've also had talks from members of the village and participated in events run by the Hambleton Greening Society, Hambleton History Society and Hambleton Poetry Society and worked with the church choir to teach them how to sign along with Christmas carols, participated in the village VE day celebrations along with the Remembrance Sunday parade and ceremony.

Transition Sessions

The children enjoyed their Move-Up morning on Monday and were able to tell me what they were looking forward to for next year. We welcomed our newest members, our new Robins, on Monday morning and they will be returning on Thursday morning for their second taster session.

Breakfast Club and After School Clubs

Breakfast Club, After School Clubs and Wrap Around Club are available to **all pupils**. Booking can be done through Active Me 360.

Runways End



The children had an amazing time at Runways End taking part in all sorts of adventurous activities such as archery, rock climbing, caving, canoeing and more! The children who didn't attend had a fun week here at school learning new art techniques, illustrating stories to share with Robins, designing Sports activities and Forest School activities for KS1 and taking part in the National Trust's butterfly and moth survey on Speltham Down.

Music at Hambledon

Wow, we have a wide range of musical opportunities here at Hambledon! Please read below for all of the different ways your child can take part in musical opportunities. In addition, the school has signed up for Listen to Me, which is the Hampshire led programme where each class from years 1-6 will spend a term learning an instrument and have the opportunity to play in a concert at the end of their term.

Kingfishers Concert

Kingfishers did a brilliant job at their Samba concert yesterday afternoon and Mrs Godber is very proud of the progress they've made. They have developed their sense of rhythm and playing different parts on an ensemble as well as recognising and composing their own rhythms.



Southern Music Project



Adam and Camilla from the Southern Music Project visited the school earlier this week to demonstrate a range of instruments (brass, woodwind and piano) to the children. They will be coming in to school next year and offering peripatetic lessons on these instruments - please see the separate letter that was sent out last week for more information on how to arrange these directly with them.

Rock Steady Music

The children were also treated to an energetic concert from Hampshire Music Service's Rock Steady programme last week. They went through the different instruments of a band, including bass guitar, electric guitar, drums and voice. They will be offering music lesson for those wanting to play in a band starting in September. Again, please see the separate information that went out last week about this.

Drum With Alex

Drum With Alex will continue to offer acoustic guitar, electric guitar and drum individual and small group lessons next year. They will have spaces available as there are some children currently in Year 6 who have lesson slots with them. For more information, please contact Drum With Alex on:

☎ 07717 582055

✉ info@drumwithalex.com

🌐 www.drumwithalex.com

Drum With Alex: Offering drum and guitar lessons in schools and privately across West Berkshire & Hampshire. Contact us for a free taster session. ✨

Parent Courses - Mental Health Focus Week - 8th to 12th September 2025

Please find attached the latest courses for parents/carers being offered by CAMHS.

Uniform

Please take note of your child's PE days for next year and ensure they have the correct PE kit and come in to school wearing it on the appropriate days. Please make sure children's clothes all fit come September as we have had some children coming in rather short PE shorts recently and will therefore need new ones for after the holidays.

A reminder that we ask everyone to have **one jumper/cardigan, polo shirt and PE top with a logo** for school trips. Logo badges are available through Skoolkit which can be sewn on to plain blue tops if you would prefer that.

Sports Day

Thank you to all of the family and friend supporters for their cheering and enthusiasm on Sports Day! The children had a wonderful time and it was so lovely to see them encouraging each other on, supporting one another and having a good try at all events! In the end, Mead topped the scoreboard and claimed the Sports Day trophy!



Car Parking

A reminder that all permits expire at the end of the school year and, as numbers are limited, you will need to have a valid medical or additional need to request a place. For medical reasons for collecting adults, we will need to see evidence of this medical reason (doctor's note, prescription etc). For anyone with a blue parking badge, there are 2 spaces at the front of the school available - you will just need to ensure you arrive before 8:30am or 3pm and then wait to leave until after 8:50am or 3:20pm and make sure the gate is closed after your arrival and departure for health and safety reasons.

Poetry Competition

Each year the Year 2s and 5s take part in a poetry competition held by the Hambledon Poetry Society. This year the Year 2s wrote poems all about the Queen's knickers (!) and the Year 5s wrote poems based on 'The Jabberwocky'. The poems were all submitted to the Poetry Society and judged by their panel before presentations were announced in last week's assembly. Congratulations go to:

Ella-Rose, Elsie Rose, Jemima, Ezra and Max A in Kingfishers and Penny, Scarlet N, Edgar, Razaq, Scarlett M and Sarah in Ospreys for their winning entries!

Thank you

Thank you to the Friends for organising so many wonderful events for our children, to you at home for your support and to the staff who have worked tirelessly this year to ensure your children are provided with the best educational experience they can have!

PE Days - Autumn 1 2025

Robins - Wednesdays

Kingfishers - Wednesdays and Fridays

Owls - Thursdays and Fridays

Ospreys - Mondays and Thursdays

Best wishes for a relaxing, safe and healthy summer,

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 21st July - Whole School trip to Stubbington Study Centre

Tuesday 22nd July - Leavers Assembly at 2pm, please enter through the back playground and final day of term

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

2025/2026

Year 1-6 will return to school on Thursday September 4th, 2025

Year R will start on Monday September 8th, 2025

INSET Days for 2025/2026

Wednesday September 3rd, 2025

Monday November 3rd, 2025

Monday February 23rd, 2026

Friday June 26th, 2026

Monday June 29th, 2026