



### Whole school diary:

Fri 10<sup>th</sup> October – Flu Spray day

14<sup>th</sup> October – London Science Trip Gagarin class

15<sup>th</sup> October – London Science Trip Buzz Aldrin class

27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> October – Half Term

7<sup>th</sup> November – Photo day - individual

10<sup>th</sup> November – Butser Farm Nebula class

12<sup>th</sup> November – Butser Farm Asteroid class

13<sup>th</sup> November – Year R Sublime Science

14<sup>th</sup> November – Sibling Photo's

### A message from Mr Wartnaby:

Hello and welcome to the first newsletter of the year! It has been an excellent start to the term, and there have been some moments that have made me really proud — the way our new Year R pupils have settled in, our brilliant Year 6 leaders and how they represented the school at Parliament and generally how all the children have thrown themselves into the new term.

We've been on some exciting trips, including the Year 1 bus tour, a visit to the Mayflower and the first Year 5 class to go to the Science Museum in London. They had a brilliant day and I'm really looking forward to going with the other two classes when they visit in just over a week. As a school, we are really trying to give children awe and wonder moments and I'm passionate about providing them with opportunities and experiences that might spark a passion or interest. Taking the Year 6s to Parliament is always one of my favourite things to do — whether it's the excitement of seeing Big Ben, meeting Liz Jarvis, our local MP, or hearing the children share their knowledge of history, it always makes me feel happy after a long day!

I'm sorry to mention parking again, but I've had many complaints from local residents about parking around the school. Please could we be considerate when parking and courteous to our neighbours.

We've recently had a huge influx of new pupils across various year groups, so I thought I'd let our newcomers know a little bit about me — and share a few new things for those who already know me! I've now been at the school for nine years. I have a big passion for sport and music, and I really believe in encouraging children to be aspirational. I've recently started coaching an under-7 and under-8 girls' football team — something I was initially reluctant to do (due to lack of time), but it's been incredibly rewarding, and I'm glad I took it on. I even have three players from our school on the team! I hope everyone has a lovely weekend — and that Spurs beat Leeds!

### Our star value performers! -Love

Arabella and Khloe asked for donations to Eastleigh Basics bank for their birthday rather than presents. The Basics Bank wrote our school a lovely letter saying how proud they were of the girls.



**Current Vacancies:** We have no vacancies at this time.

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### *Message from the Site Team:*

Please note that any bikes or scooters left on site during the October Half Term will be removed.

### *Year R news:*

Year R have settled into school life. We have been busy learning the school rules-Ready, Respectful, Safe and we are following the routines of the day. We started our phonics lessons twice a day and love learning the new sounds. In maths we have been subitising to 3 and learning all about Numberblocks 1,2 and 3. The children had a wonderful visit from Little City. They all engaged with the different role play scenarios and we were able to see how imaginative the children could be! We look forward to Little City visiting us again in the summer.



### *Year 1 news:*

The children have settled into Year 1 quickly and are getting used to their new daily routines. They have enjoyed looking at lots of new books in English focussing on the topic 'All about me'. They have written labels and sentences to describe what they like to eat, do and what makes them individual. In maths, the children have been investigating the place value of numbers. They have started problem solving to find out all of the different ways to make 5. The children had a fantastic time on their bus trip and finding out all about their local area. In science, the children have started to investigate different materials and what the objects around them are made from. They particularly enjoyed experimenting which objects float and which objects sink.



### *Year 2 news:*

The children have settled so well into year 2 and have shown real potential in their learning. They have all finished their first English unit based around the book, 'Shh we have a plan!', where they have written a police report from the little one's point of view. In maths they have spent time counting forwards and backwards to and from 100. They have used this knowledge to solve problems involving one more and one less, 10 more and 10 less. In geography the children have been looking at a range of maps of Eastleigh and have started to plan their walk. In history they have been learning about King Charles III and looking back at the two queen Elizabeths.

### Year 3 news:

Year 3 have had a flying start to the year! They enjoyed their Mediterranean Day, based on their geography learning, where they created their own passports and flew on a 'plane'! They enjoyed their experience at the 'airport'!



The children went on to learning about which countries surround the Mediterranean Sea. In maths, they have been learning how to partition three-digit numbers. They have been using this knowledge to add and subtract 2 three-digit numbers. Year 3 have been using unstructured number lines and dienes to show their working out. In English, the children have been reading the text Flotsam. They wrote a diary entry from the perspective of the little boy in the story. The children used adjectives, conjunctions and fronted adverbials.

### Year 4 news:

Year 4 have made a great start to term! They have enjoyed their first two English topics. We looked at the True Story of the Three Little Pigs and wrote our own persuasive speech. The aim was to convince the audience that the wolf was not guilty! After this, we started our new topic on The Iron Man. They enjoyed looking at the first part of the poem and re-enacting their favourite picture.



In maths, we have completed our first topic on place value. The children looked at different ways to partition 4-digit numbers and use their facts to make links between numbers. In Science, we have looked at food chains and different types of teeth. In history, we have learnt about why the Anglo-Saxons came to Britain. In Geography, we have researched Iceland and the children are excited about their Iceland project homework!

### Year 5 news:

Year 5 have made a great start to the new academic year. They are particularly enjoying learning about Earth and Space in Science and are very much looking forward to their upcoming trip to the Science Museum in London. They have been learning the order of the planets from the sun and have been thinking of clever mnemonics to remember them. As part of this the children enjoyed creating their own Solar System. They have also been thinking about the Earth's rotation and why we have day and night.



In English, we have started our new non-fiction book study of National Parks of the USA. We have focused on a range of parks including Yellowstone and have become travel agents to persuade people to go there. In maths, we have been using a range of contexts to practise our addition and subtraction skills; both mental and written methods.

## Year 6 news:

Year 6 have made a fantastic start to the new school year, settling in with a positive mindset and a hardworking attitude. They've particularly enjoyed their Bikeability sessions, developing important road safety skills while having fun outdoors. Meanwhile, our first group of Year 6 leaders had the exciting opportunity to visit the Houses of Parliament, where they learned more about democracy and the role of leadership—an inspiring trip that links perfectly with their growing responsibilities in school.



## Friends of The Crescent:

There will be a pre-loved uniform sale at the parent's evenings in October. We will provide the date for dropping off donations shortly.

The FOTC AGM is on Wednesday 12th November, feel free to come along and hear about how we raise money for the school to provide enrichment for the children. 7pm – 8pm in Peake class at the school.

The children have been busy designing their Christmas cards which you will have an opportunity to buy which will raise funds for the FOTC.

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## Governor spotlight- - Terri Blake

I am really excited to have been elected as a parent governor towards the end of the last academic year and have enjoyed being part of the governing body so far. With thirteen years' experience as a primary school teacher and more recently as an Assistant Headteacher at a local Junior School, I am sure that my experience will be beneficial to the work of the teaching and learning committee. I have two children at The Crescent (in Year 5 and Year R) and look forward to supporting the school in any way that I can over the coming years.



## Safeguarding spotlight- Citizens Advice

As a school, we have started to work with Citizens Advice. They can offer lots of our families support and guidance in different areas. We now have a designated lead attached to our school, who will be running a drop-in coffee afternoon soon.

If you need us to put you in contact with them sooner, please speak to Mrs Howard or I and we will put you in contact.



## Support for your family

We can help with:  
-Benefit checks and questions  
-Debt assessments  
-Family issues  
-Housing problems  
-Employment issues  
-Fuel & Food vouchers eligibility

All advice is completely free, confidential and independent.

More info: 

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Other advice - just ask!

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