



Newsletter

17th April 2026

Message from the Headteacher

Dear all,

Welcome back! I hope you all had enjoyable Easter breaks.

During our **INSET** days at the start of term, staff had their **school's first aid training**, we had a presentation about **Emotional Based School Avoidance (EBSA)** and how we can **support children with managing their anxiety and worries**, and a presentation about **supporting children with literacy and numeracy difficulties**. I look forward to seeing staff try new ideas out in the classrooms to support the children. We will be holding a parent information workshop about EBSA- we will let you know when the date has been confirmed.

In our assemblies this week we have been talking about **Growth Mindset** and the **power of YET!** How this word can really change our mindset when added to the end of a sentence. We also looked at **the learning pit** and how things aren't always easy, but we learn best when there is appropriate challenge. We also talked about our **inner chimps**- our internal worries and fears which can sometimes hold us back. This is based on the book **My Hidden Chimp** by Prof. **Steve Peters**, which explores how if children can learn to recognise and manage their feelings, they won't be controlled by them. **Please talk to your children about these over the weekend.**

Have a good weekend!

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Mrs Beulah Letchford
Headteacher

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who received a **School Values** certificate in celebration assembly: Rose, Barney R, Zach P, Lincoln.

Congratulations to the following children who received a **Golden Rules** certificate in celebration assembly: Polly, Louis B, Nelly, Harry.

Key Notices

Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that doors open for Breakfast club at 8:00am.

Second hand uniform

If you would like any items of second hand uniform, please contact Emily on 07557780875 and she will be happy to assist - we have lots of good stock!

Sports Kit

Please could school sports kit be washed and returned to the school as soon as possible so the next team can wear it! Thank you.

PE Uniform

We are working with Skoolkit to have a navy-blue hoodie with the school logo on for children to wear for days when they have PE lessons. We will also be moving to black shorts/skort/leggings/underlayers over the 2026-27 academic year. We expect this to be easier for parents/carers to purchase as these items are more freely available, and will give consistency to our children's appearance, give a sense of belonging and pride, and encourage equality. We will let parents know when this has been put in place.

Staffing News

We are looking for a new member of the team to work in our growing **after-school club**. If you, or someone you know, is interested in this role, please contact Vanessa.

Lost Items

Please ensure all items of clothing, drinks bottles and snack boxes are named so that items found can be returned to their owners asap. We have a found an umbrella in our lobby, if this is yours please collect from the office.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 20 th April	Year 6 Height & Weight Measuring Programme
Tuesday 21 st April	Y5/6 Cricket club at lunchtime with Mr Thompson
Wednesday 22 nd April	Parent workshop - understanding and supporting attention, focus and independence 8:50am-9:20am Y5/6 Netball Finals 12:30-4:30 - selected children only
Friday 24 th April	Eco-Refill Shop open
Friday 1 st May	School council bake sale after school
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 5 th May	Y3/4 Cricket - selected children only
Thursday 7 th May	KS2 Tri-Golf - selected children only
Saturday 9 th May	Quad Kids Athletics - selected children only

Monday 11 th May	Year 6 SATS week
Wednesday 13 th May	Acorn Class trip to Marwell Zoo
Friday 15 th May	Eco-Refill Shop open
Tuesday 19 th May	Y5/6 Girls Cricket - selected children only
Friday 22 nd May	Y3/4 Shuttle run @ Thorngrove School - selected children only
Monday 25 th May - Friday 29 th May	Half term
Thursday 4 th June - Friday 5 th June	Robin Class one night stay at Ufton Court
Monday 22 nd June	Robin Class trip
Saturday 27 th June	FOBS Summer Fair
Tuesday 30 th June	Y5/6 Cricket - selected children only Girls Dodgeball - selected children only
Wednesday 1 st July	Freestyle Football Workshop! KS2 Dodgeball - selected children only
Friday 3 rd July	Sports Day 9:00am-12:00 followed by family picnic on the field
Friday 10 th July	Reserve Sports Day
Saturday 11 th July	FOBS Colour Run!
Tuesday 14 th July	KS1 Multi-skills - selected children only
Thursday 16 th July	Rocksteady performance to parents (of children who have lessons) 10:00-10:30
Wednesday 22 nd July	End of term