

FRIDAY FOCUS

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1. THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

Pride in the school

As you know, this week saw us welcome Ofsted to Calmore. Whilst we are unable to divulge the finer details - the report will be published in 30 days time - we want to share with you our absolute pride in our pupils...your children. Throughout the 2 day visit, each of our 4 visitors were overwhelming in their praise for the children and how they conducted themselves not only in lessons but also around school. We know this already but it was lovely to have this recognised by others. I also want to express my gratitude and thanks to the entire team here at school - from our site manager to teachers; office staff to learning support assistants (some less than 3 weeks into their roles here at Calmore) To each and every person who contributes to making day to day life at school such a positive experience for your children - THANK YOU. I'd also like to thank YOU for your kind words of support in the playground but also through your emails and parent surveys. We look forward to sharing the final report as soon as it is made official!



2. CROSS COUNTRY

This week has certainly been about successful teams excelling. Yesterday afternoon, 23 pupils from across Year 5 and 6 finally got the chance to compete in the cross country event that had been postponed back in February. The course and challenge they faced was much different to back then as warm sunshine served spectators well but took its toll on the runners. But you'd not have known...

Cross country is always an inspiring event to witness. For those out front it is impressive to see and we had Zach and Poppy both put in amazing performances coming in the top 12 for their races; Aria too finishing in the top 20. Amazing.

But where we're truly left in awe is at those children that, knowing the 'race is already won', continue to drain every last ounce of effort and energy in pushing themselves to their limit...and beyond. We always talk about imagining our energy like a bottle of water - be careful not to pour it away too quickly or you'll have nothing left later. Every pupil managed that bottle perfectly and for their own race, squeezed the final drops out as they sprinted to the line. Now empty. Add to that the team spirit amongst the children, loudly cheering their mates on from behind the ropes whilst also quietly willing individuals to keep going. We're always so impressed by our pupils...but this week, they've been incredible! ★

3. WATER BOTTLES & JUMPERS

With the weather becoming warmer, please can you make sure that your child brings a suitable water bottle to school every day. We have had lots of children asking to borrow cups and we only have a limited number not to mention it's taking them out of class.

Please also remember to put names in jumpers and cardigans as they are being taken off more often but then being forgotten!

CELEBRATION AND AWARDS

Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to this week's Headteacher Award winners!

Y3 - Mila and Amelia **Y4 - Yuvan and Jemima**

Y5 - Jasmine and Louis **Y6 - Zach and Mason**

ACTIVE Awards

Well done to these children who have been demonstrating one or more of our learning behaviours

Y3 - Tiana and Honey **Y4 - Elisha and Anaya**

Y5 - Max and Sofia **Y6 - Liberty and Oakley**

Golden Tokens!

The lucky 8 whose names were plucked from the hat as reward for being on the golden zone this week.

Y3 - Lara and Thea **Y4 - Lily N and Poppy R**

Y5 - Paisley and Thomas **Y6 - Noah and Leo G**

Always Tea

The following pupils enjoyed afternoon tea with Miss Ingram for always being BRILLIANT

Y3 - Ivy and Maisey **Y4 - Oscar and Jemima**

Y5 - Sienna and Asher **Y6 - Erin M and Jack B**



KEY DATES **Y3** **Y4** **Y5** **Y6** **ALL**

Mon 5th May - Bank Holiday (SCHOOL SHUT)

Mon 11th - Thurs 14th May - Year 6 SATs

Mon 18th May, 3:15pm - Tile Barn meeting

18-22 May - Walk To School Week

Weds 20th May, 8:45am - Y4 Exit Point

Thurs 21st May, 2:30pm - Year 5 Exit Point

Fri 22nd May, 1:30pm - M&M Theatre, The Secret Garden (£2.50)

23rd - 31st May - HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Mon 1st Jun - Class Photos

Weds 3rd - Fri 5th June - Y6 Tile Barn residential

Tues 9th Jun - Year 4 trip to SeaCity Museum

**Weds 10th Jun, 9:30-12 - Sports Day + picnic lunch
(parents invited)**

Thurs 18th Jun - Non-uniform day (£2)

Thurs 2nd & Fri 3rd Jul - Y6 Move Up Days

Thurs 2nd - Y3/4/5 Move up day

Weds 15th & Thurs 16th July, 5-6pm - Year 6 show

Thurs 16th July, 10am - End of Year Celebration at Testwood Baptist Church

Fri 17th Jul, 3:15-4:15pm - CJSA Colour Run

Tues 21st July - Y6 Paultons Park trip

Wednesday 22nd July 2026 - Last day of term

Please can we remind you that only those children who have permission and a recognised need are allowed to bring 'fidget toys' to school. More and more are appearing and acting as a distraction rather than an educational and emotional support.

2025/26 INSET day: 19th Jun 2026

For more information please check out the school Instagram and Facebook pages. To contact the school, please use adminoffice@calmore-jun.hants.sch.uk or please call 023 80865354





**Hampshire &
Isle of Wight**
Wildlife Trust

Testwood Lakes Open Day

4th May Bank Holiday Monday

12:30 pm – 4:00 pm

All welcome!



**Come see what Testwood Lakes Nature Reserve has to offer!
Meet the team – tell us your thoughts, ask us questions, we want to hear
from you!**

**Explore the nature reserve – guided walks and experts in the bird hides
Take part in a forest school taster session, scavenger hunt and nature craft
activities. Please note forest school sessions will require signing up on the
day to manage participant numbers. These sessions will be an hour long.**

Guided walks will run at 1:00 pm and 2:30 pm

**Address: Main car park, Testwood Lakes Nature Reserve, Brunel Road,
Totton, SO40 3YD**

