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Friday 6th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 4 Christmas Show



What an incredible performance year 4 put on this week. I am so proud of all of the children who put all of their nerves and worries aside to get up on the stage and act and sing so well. The lines that some children had were incredibly challenging but they all kept going and put together a fabulous show; a 10 out of 10! Thank you to all of the staff involved. It was so great to see so many children shine!

New Website

We are delighted to unveil our new school website. It is packed with information about the school, policies, wellbeing support, curriculum information, wider curriculum information, links to Instagram, latest news/newsletters and so much more. Please take a look, I am sure that you will see that it really does show off the very best of our school.

www.calmorejunior.co.uk



Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumper day

Our Christmas lunch is on Thursday and we invite the children to wear a Christmas jumper instead of their school jumper that day.



Run Rudolph, Run!

We had a superb time running round the playground today for our annual sponsored run.

The children loved wearing their antlers. Thank you to all of you who sponsored the children. Your generosity has raised. £1230. Thank you so much. These well needed funds will be well spent on enhancing the children's break and lunchtimes at school.

Sport

Basket Ball



Jump around! And jump they did, as 12 pupils took part in Wednesday's Y5/6 3v3 basketball competition at Noadswood School. Against 14 other teams, they each competed for every ball and got better as they went through the competition. By the end, they were shattered but had worked well as individuals but also as teams. By coincidence, the two teams played each other at one point and fought out a close 2-2 final score. Well played everyone.

Dance Festival

A new event yesterday as we attended the KS2 Dance festival in Brockenhurst. A selection of pupils from our dance club and from across all four year groups worked alongside 6 other schools to put together a dance to the Mission Impossible theme tune! But nothing is impossible when you work together the way our 7 did. Supporting each other and sharing great ideas and moves, the group wowed not only themselves, but everyone else there with a fantastic routine packed with sharp moves and espionage! The kindness they showed each other, especially the older pupils towards anxious younger ones, was something to behold. Wonderful, girls! Well done.



ADVICE and SUPPORT

Hampshire Healthy Steps Family Programme is now available to book for January!

What is the Hampshire Healthy Steps Family Programme?

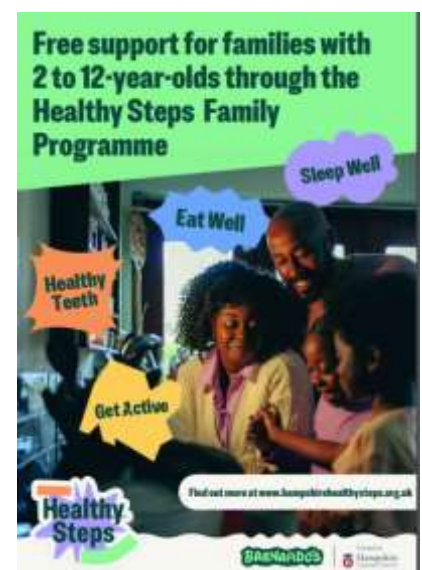
Hampshire Healthy Steps offers families with 2 to 12 year olds, support through a 6-session group programme. The programme offers families support and advice on:

- Eating Well
- Getting Active
- Sleeping Well
- Healthy Teeth
- My Community
- And more!

All groups are designed to be fun, and interactive and to encourage children to get involved.

How can I book?

- Families can book a space on the Healthy Steps Family Programme via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hampshire-healthy-steps-91941566143>
- Find a family programme near you: <https://padlet.com/HampshireHealthySteps/find-a-family-programme-near-you-4qygc0ym30ov7dvr>



Where can I find out more?

- Healthy Steps website: <https://www.hampshirehealthysteps.org.uk/support-for-families>
- For any questions and queries please email healthysteps@barnardos.org.uk



What have we been learning this week?

Each week, we share what we have been learning in class.

Year 3 In Maths, we have been using the metre ruler to establish that there are 100cm in 1 metre. Then we have divided the 100cm into halves, quarters, tenths and fifths to work out that, for instance, $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1 metre is 25cm. This learning of dividing 100 is key learning for Year 3. Children are expected to know this mentally.

In English, we have been consolidating our learning about compound sentences and writing a narrative about Hogarth seeing the Iron Man for the first time.

We have been reflecting on and remembering the key facts we learned in our science forces topic and then in PSHE we created posters to show what an active listener looks like.

Year 4 -This week in English, we have been publishing our narrative of Beowulf and his battle against Grendel. In maths, we have been learning how to count in tenths and hundredths and how they link to decimals.

Next week in maths, we will be adding fractions with the same denominators. In English, we will be starting our new unit of work writing a non-chronological report. In history, we will be starting our learning about the Vikings and Anglo Saxons.

Our Viking Launch Day on Monday 9th December. Do not forget, we are inviting children to come into school dressed as Vikings!

Year 5 -This week in year five we have been learning about how to structure and write a non-chronological report about our dragons. In guided reading, we have been focusing on the skill of summarising with the books from the Hampshire Illustrated Book Award. Our maths lessons have been exciting this week as we have been weighing objects and learning how to read scales. In PE, we have had our last training session for the Reindeer Run, and during our RE sessions we have enjoyed learning about faith and trust.

Year 6 -In English this week, we have written and edited our non-chronological reports about moths. We have focused on including technical vocabulary and parenthesis to add extra information to our sentences. In maths, we have learnt how to calculate the diameter and the radius of a circle. We have also learnt about the properties of other 2D shapes. In science, we have learnt how to plan a fair test to investigate whether different shaped beaks enable birds to eat different types of food. Next week, we will be starting our DT topic, where we will be making our moving cars. Fingers crossed, they will be completed and ready to share with you at our Exit Point on Friday 13th December. Please note, that if your child would like to take their car home at the end of term, we ask that £3 is paid via Scopay, in order to cover the cost of the materials. Many thanks.

Celebration and awards

Congratulations

Each Friday, we have a celebration assembly where we highlight some of the children who have been working really hard and displaying our learning behaviours. The following children were awarded....



Head Teacher's Awards

Yr 3: Robyn and Orla

Yr 4: 4AV and Chris

Yr 5: Roman and Naya

Yr 6: Olivia and James



ACTIVE Awards

Yr 3: Oscar and Lukas

Yr 4: Louis and 4LD

Yr 5: Ryan and Shay

Yr 6: Leighton and Rhea

Vending machine winners.

Congratulations....

.... to these children whose names were pulled out of the 'hat' and who chose a prize from the vending machine this week. All of the children in the draw made it onto the gold section of the behaviour chart during the week. Well done.

3ED - Metehan 3CB -Jemima

4AV - Alexa 4LD - Caitlin

5SJ - Nate 5LP - Logan

6HS - Phoebe 6JH - Isaac

Reading Certificates

BRONZE reading certificates awarded to: Brandon, Ciaran, Alexa, Alex, Ella Rose, Mia, Aria, Amy, Thomas, Jake, Nelly, Hollie, Chloe, Oscar, Darcy and Dylan

Congratulations! Research proves that regular reading has a huge impact on a child's academic future. Those that read more, do better at school and in life.



RED year 3,

YELLOW year 4

GREEN year 5,

BLUE year 6

PURPLE- all year groups



Event	Date	Time
Marcus Dilly in for year 4	Monday 9 th December	am
Christmas dinner and jumper day	Thursday 12 th December	12pm
Year 6 exit point	Friday 13 th December	9am
Year 4 Exit point	Monday 16 th December	9am
Year 5 Explorer Dome - Space	Tuesday 17 th December	9am & 10am
NEW DATE Year 5 Exit point	Friday 20 th December	2:30 pm
Testwood Baptist Church service	Thursday 19 th December	10am
Last day of term	Friday 20 th December	-
First day of spring term	Monday 6 th January	8:30am
INSET days 2024/2025	Fri 14 th February 2025 Mon 21 st and Tues 22 nd July 2025	

*Have a wonderful weekend.
Miss Cathy Ingram, Headteacher*

REMINDERS

PE days for autumn 2

Please can the children come into school in their PE kit on these days.

- Year 3 Tuesday and Friday
- Year 4 Thursday and Friday
- Year 5 Monday and Wednesday
- Year 6 Monday and Wednesday



Communication



We will communicate most of our information through Parentmail. Unfortunately, we are not able to receive messages back through this or through Arbor or Parentmail so please email us on adminoffice@calmore-jun.hants.sch.uk