



NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope that you are all feeling well rested after the half term break and ready for the busy weeks in the run up to Christmas. We've started once more with a week full of exciting learning for all the children as they begin their new topics for the half term. More information about your child's topic can be found in their year group's curriculum page on our website. Year 1 had an especially exciting start on Monday, with a visit from some very special guests! Spirit of the Wild came into school with a selection of amazing animals for the children to meet and get up close to! It was a fantastic experience for them coming face to face with snakes, owls, meerkats and even toads and a brilliant way to help them learn about animal classification. Next week, we have a number of wonderful and thought-provoking events for the children including Copnor Primary School's own Remembrance Service and at exactly 11 o'clock on the eleventh day of the eleventh month, we will listen to The Exhortation from 'The Fallen' and the Last Post bugle call before observing a two minute silence. And our participation in the national events in Anti-bullying Week 2024. Then we finish our week with an incredibly exciting visit from the Olympian gymnast, Kelly Simm. Please can you ensure that your child comes into school on Friday ready to take part in the activities with their PE kit. We hope that it will be a very memorable experience for your child.

Next Week

Date	Event
11 th – 15 th	Anti-bullying Week 2024
11 th	Remembrance Day
	KS1 Author Visit – Tracey Corderoy **CHANGE OF DATE
12 th	Odd Socks Day (No Charge)
15 th	Olympian Visit – Kelly Simm
	EYFS Open Afternoon 1.30 – 3pm

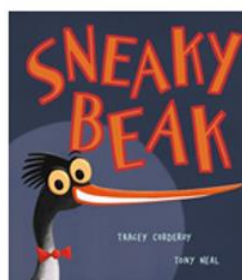
Reading in class continues...

Welcome back, don't forget that Reading in Class continues every **Wednesday** between **8.35 am and 8.55 am**. It is lovely to see so many parents and children reading together. We look forward to welcoming you back in again next week.



KS1 Author Visit Reminder

Don't forget the exciting visitor in KS1 on **Monday 11th November!** The author Tracey Corderoy will be in school to share her books. The children will also be given the opportunity to purchase a signed copy of one of her books during the afternoon. If you would like your child to purchase a book, please send them into school with £7 in an envelope with their name on. I am sure that the children will have a fantastic afternoon.



GB Gymnast Kelly Simm visit on Friday 15th November (See poster at end of Newsletter)



With a week to go before our Great Athlete's visit, have you set up your sponsorship page yet? If you've already got yours set up, don't forget to share it with your friends and family!

If you need help with setting up your sponsorship page, watch this short video on how to set one up:

<https://vimeo.com/1000802304>

Anti-bullying Week 2024



As part of this year's anti-bullying week, children and staff are invited to take part in Odd Socks Day on **Tuesday 12th November**. This event is to encourage us to all think about what makes us unique.

The theme of 'Choose Respect' was identified as a way to help empower young people to do

something positive that counters the harm that bullying causes. Your child will learn more about this and take part in activities this week that help to promote the theme. There is further information and guidance for parents about the week attached to this newsletter.

A huge thank you for your support for the Portsmouth food bank



House Points

This week's winning house is:

	Mary Rose	Victory	Alliance	Warrior
This Week	265	61	112	188
Total	2829	1413	2033	1607

Congratulations to Mary Rose who collect the most this week.

Attendance Cup

This week's winning house is:

KS1 - Victory 95.83%

KS2 - Victory 96.57%

Congratulations to...

Logan

During the half term, Logan participated in his first ever dance festival, representing his dance school Kelly Sheen School of Dance.

After a fantastic performance, he came second in his category for Musical Theatre. What a fantastic achievement Logan for your first ever dance festival, thank you so much for sharing it with us.

We look forward to hearing about what you get up to next! Well done!



Golden Child

I am delighted to share the names of this week's Golden Children they are:

Year Group	Class	Golden Child
EYFS	Rosen	Tyler
	Hart	Ivy
	Donaldson	Rebekah
1	Adeola	Penelope
	Field	Olivia
	Gravett	Finley
2	Steadman	Abdulkareem
	Simmonds	Talia
	Jenkins	Brodie
3	Adele	George
	Sheeran	Isabella
	Murs	Aria
4	Thompson	Eduard
	Rickman	Madison
	Elba	Penelope
5	Peake	Jude
	Hawking	Tobias
	Franklin	Olivia

6	Hussain	Christine
	Roots	Jakub
	Berry	Darcie

The children in all year groups were recognised as someone who keeps safe in school.

Warm Clothes

As the weather is growing colder, we will still endeavour to take your child outside for PE lessons and at breaktimes so please can you ensure that they are suitably dressed for the cold with tracksuit bottoms and winter coats. Thank you!



Christmas Dinner



Our school Christmas Dinner will be held on **Wednesday 18th December**. A letter was emailed to parents/carers on Thursday with details on how to order a meal for your child as this is not through the normal dinner option in ScoPay. Children who are not having a Christmas Dinner will need to bring in a home packed lunch as there is no option to order a meal on the day. We would like everyone to complete this form so every child has a meal option recorded. A reminder that the deadline for ordering a Christmas Dinner is midday **Monday 2nd December via the Trips/Events form in ScoPay**.

Portsmouth Resident's Discount at the Historic Dockyard

Take on a local adventure, take off 30% at Portsmouth Historic Dockyard



Get 30% off an Ultimate Explorer Pass for unlimited visits to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard's 9 iconic attractions, including HMS Warrior, Mary Rose, and HMS Victory. Discover the Royal Navy Submarine Museum, the Explosion Museum of Naval Firepower, and more for a year of maritime history adventures. Offer starts on 4th November

Start your journey with this limited time offer and save up to £45!

Link: <https://historicdockyard.co.uk/discounts-and-offers/local-residents-offer/>

Invitation to the Open Auditions for Tinkerbell

Is your child an aspiring actor? Do they love to perform?

Would they like to be involved in a professional production of Tinkerbell – Peter Pan & the Golden Treasure to be performed at the New Theatre Royal on March 8th, 2025.

If so, then please take them to the open auditions on the dates and times displayed on the flyer.

Please note that all auditionees must be 8 years old at the time of the show in March.

We wish any of our children that wish to audition the very best of luck!

WEDNESDAY 13th NOV
NEW THEATRE ROYAL
PORTSMOUTH, PO1 2DD
5.00-6.00pm 7-12yrs old
6.00-7.00pm 13-21yrs old

SATURDAY 16th NOV
NEW THEATRE ROYAL
PORTSMOUTH, PO1 2DD
2.00-3.30pm 7-12yrs old
3.30-5.00pm 13-21yrs old

All auditionees must be 8 years old by the time of the show

To be Performed at NEW THEATRE ROYAL, Portsmouth, 8th March 2025

NOTHING TO PREPARE
Just arrive, book in and audition

You only need attend one audition / A show fee is payable by all successful applicants

Keeping our children safe online

Continuing our sharing of the informative posters from #WakeUpWednesday, National Online Safety. Please take the time to read through all the tips that will help to ensure that your children are safe online.



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about DATA BACKUPS AND STORAGE

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and teacher adults with the information to help an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many topics which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, tips and tips for adults.

Making backup copies of files and other content is very useful for avoiding issues (such as hardware failure, software problems or accidental deletion) that could cause the loss of important information or treasured images and videos, while backing up files is considered good practice. It's also essential for adults and children alike to stay aware of the risks which can potentially result from saving these extra copies of your info – particularly if your additional backup versions use cloud storage services.

BACKUP BASICS

Consider how valuable different types of files are – and what the impact would be if they were lost. Family photos and videos might be irreplaceable. For example, whereas emails to friends tend to be less important, this thought process can help you decide what to back up.

For your most indispensable files, follow the 3-2-1 rule! Keep 3 backups of your data (your original plus two copies) saved to different media (such as USB flash, cloud storage or a hard disk drive) with 1 copy held in a physically separate location. This reduces the chance of a single event meaning that your files aren't recoverable from any of these backups.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

DISAGREEABLE DUPLICATES

Because we tend to back files up in groups rather than individually, it's very easy for some content to get inadvertently reset up in the saving process – creating a duplicate that we aren't aware exists. In this case to include the unintended backup of sensitive files, it would mean when we recover our data from the backup, we're also restoring the harmful malware to our computer, phone or tablet.

HIDDEN IN THE CLOUD

It's not unknown for children and young people to make use of cloud backup services to effectively "hide" content that they know their parents and carers wouldn't approve of (such as something age inappropriate, for example). They can then delete the content from their device, safe in the knowledge that they can easily retrieve it from the cloud at a more convenient moment.

THE WEAKEST LINK

If any of our backups are insecure, then – in the event of a breach – the entirety of our data might become accessible to cyber criminals or other malicious individuals. Cyber criminals are aware that, by default, backups tend to contain important or valuable files that people want to keep safe – which makes them a popular (and potentially lucrative) target for cyber-attacks.

RANDOM RECOVERIES

When restoring data from one of our backups, we may find that some data is recovered which we hadn't even realised had been backed up. This doesn't necessarily sound like a huge drawback – but it could potentially cause a problem if the files were sensitive or personal in nature and then (without us realising) suddenly become available on our devices, where others might see them.

Advice for Parents & Carers

BE ORGANISED

Try to keep on top of what backups you and your children have in place – including where your files are saved (in the cloud or an external storage device, for instance) and how they can be accessed. It can also be helpful to stay aware of what data isn't being backed up, which could save you the time and the stress of looking for something in your backup that was never actually there.

KEEP THINGS TIDY

Where possible, curate your backups by learning how to add or remove content selectively. The former will save you from having to carry out a complete backup on every occasion (which can be time consuming), while being able to prune individual files can be extremely useful if a small number of unwanted – or possibly sensitive – items have been copied over and saved accidentally.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

Find out how to recover files and information from backups until you're fully confident with the process. You could help your child practice with their own (or less essential) files, so they're able to restore items to their device if they need to. It's intensely frustrating knowing that your (or your child's) important files or cherished photo albums are there somewhere, but you can't get to them.

SCRUTINISE YOUR SECURITY

It sounds like obvious advice, but it's absolutely vital ensure that your backups are secure. This includes appropriate technical measures – like encryption, strong passwords and multifactor authentication – and, where possible, physical security to prevent the media being stolen. If you're backing up to a hard drive or an external storage device, you should ideally use password protection.

Meet Our Expert

Very Honorable the Director of IT or Change Learning considers the best ways to manage digital content and digital content security. Visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for more information on digital content and digital content security. The National Online Safety Centre offers a range of resources to help you and your children stay safe online. Visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for more information.

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Wishing you all a restful weekend. Please enjoy any fireworks safely with your children and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday.

Matt Johnson
Headteacher

GB GYMNAST

KELLY

SIMM

is visiting this school

X @Kelly_Simm

What's your motto?

Strength comes from overcoming the things you once thought you couldn't do.

Greatest high?

Winning the Commonwealth Games team Gold medal.

Most important role model?

Beth Tweddle - British Olympic Gymnast.

What are you most grateful for?

Having such supportive family, friends and coaches and getting to do what I love everyday!

Top tip for life?

Never give up! You never know how close you are to achieving your dreams.

Kelly Simm

From a six-year-old at her local gym to a world-class gymnast, Kelly's journey is one of dedication and determination, thanks to her "never give up" mentality. A member of the GB team for over 10 years, Kelly has mastered the skills that most only dream of. Early in her career, Kelly was the first gymnast to be crowned World University Champion and helped guide Great Britain to a historic Bronze medal at the World Championships, which remains the only time in history Great Britain have won a World Team medal. Competing in three Commonwealth Games for Team England, she was Gold in 2014, and Silver and Bronze in 2018. Kelly's story is one of perseverance, passion, and podium finishes.

Some of Kelly's achievements include:

- ★ 2022 Commonwealth Games - Gold
- ★ 2019 British Championships, all around - Silver
- ★ 2018 World Championships, all around - Finalist
- ★ 2018 European Championships, bars - Finalist
- ★ 2018 Commonwealth Games, beam - Bronze and team Silver
- ★ 2018 British Championships, all around and bars - Gold
- ★ 2015 World Championships - team Bronze
- ★ 2015 World University Games - Gold, Silver and Bronze
- ★ 2015 European Games, all around and vault - Finalist
- ★ 2014 World Championships - team 5th
- ★ 2014 Commonwealth Games - team Gold



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15th November
2024