

# NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to this week's round up of Copnor news. The children have been so resilient this week with the incredibly hot weather that we had at the beginning of the week – we are incredibly proud of them! Both Transition Days were very successful, and the children and staff had a great time getting to know each other. The children also showed further resilience this week, with their ability to settle back into their classes after the excitement of the transition fun. Crazy Hair Day on Wednesday, made us all smile with the fantastic hair dos walking around school and also helped us to collect a great amount of donations for the Summer Fayre. With the week ending with a fantastic Sports Day today, the children (and staff) are due a rest over the weekend especially having checked my step count after both events and it read 23,784!!! Two weeks, two days to go and we still have so much to fit in!



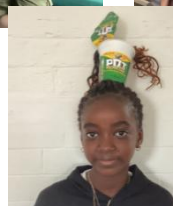
## Next Week

Date	Event
7 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Reports sent home to Parents
9 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am & 10:15am Rocksteady Summer Concerts 3:30 – 5pm Optional Parents Evening
10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Year 1 - Scooterability</b>

## Crazy Hair Day



Thank you for your support and donations on Crazy Hair Day this week. The children looked great with their fantastically crazy hair, and we collected lots of donations for the School Fayre on the 15<sup>th</sup> of July. See below for details of the fun to be had at the fayre as well as having a look at some of the crazy, crazy hair!



## Sports Day

Today's Sports Day was a truly joyful celebration of our children's sportsmanship. Our children showed determination and kindness while competing to earn points for their House Team. We were incredibly proud to stand beside them as they gave their all in each event - not only striving for personal bests but lifting one another up with genuine encouragement and support. Their enthusiasm, resilience and camaraderie turned our school playgrounds and field into a place where every achievement was cheered and every effort was valued. It was a day that reflected the very best of our school community. Next week we will be awarding the Sports Day Cup to the winning house.

I would just like to share some feedback which one of you kindly sent us flowing today:

*Copnor Primary School is an amazing school and you can see the absolute love and care the students and staff have for each other and the level of respect demonstrated and that's a credit to everyone who works at the school.*

## Reading in class continues...

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



## Attendance Cup

This week's winning house is:

	Mary Rose	Victory	Alliance	Warrior
KS1	97.45%	96.42%	92.48%	91.45%
KS2	96.91%	96.22%	94.72%	92.01%

Congratulations to **Mary Rose** in KS1 and in KS2 who have won this week's house cup.

## House Points

This week's winning house is:



	Mary Rose	Victory	Alliance	Warrior
This week	131	151	-	73
Total	1569	1560	1091	1463

Congratulations to **Victory** who collected the most house points this week. (Alliance will have a double week next week)

## Golden Child

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

Year Group	Class	Golden Child
EYFS	Rosen	Mabel
	Hart	Ivy
	Donaldson	Darcie
1	Adeola	Maximilian
	Field	Anna
	Gravett	Blu
2	Steadman	Samuel
	Simmonds	Scarlett-Marie
	Jenkins	Samuel
3	Adele	Law
	Sheeran	Dahami
	Murs	Aria-Rose
4	Thompson	Leo
	Rickman	Madison
	Elba	Ronnie
5	Peake	
	Hawking	Max
	Franklin	Xavier
6	Hussain	Maria
	Roots	Tanaka
	Berry	Phoebe

**EYFS, KS1 and KS2** have all been recognised as **someone who is resilient to change**.

## Pompey Monsters Inter School Challenge – Week 6 Results

Well done to all those children that got involved in the challenge – you have all done really well with your stomping! Every 'stomp' has counted!



Congratulations to **Adeola Class**, who have earned themselves 5 minutes extra breaktime!

**Year Group Winner:** Year 1  
**Overall Class Winner:** Adeola

**YR - Y2 Winner:** Adeola  
**Y3 - Y6 Winner:** Peake

On this achievement - participants have clocked up **536 km** over **5 days and 13 hours** on a total of **267 walks**. This equates to around **66kg in carbon emission savings** and **£155.67 in petrol** saved compared to driving the same distance.

## End of Challenge Report

**Year Group Winner:** Year 1  
**Overall Class Winner:** Adeola

**YR - Y2 Winner:** Adeola  
**Y3 - Y6 Winner:** Peake

On this achievement - participants have clocked up **3,943 km** over **47 days** and **11 hours** on a total of **2538 walks**. This equates to around **485kg** in **carbon emission savings** and **£1,143.48** in **petrol** saved compared to driving the same distance.

Huge congratulations to **Adeola Class**, who have dominated the leaderboard for the majority of the challenge!

3,943 km is an impressive amount of stomping that has been achieved by you all!

## Final League Table Results

Despite all the fantastic stomping that has taken place, this year was not our year to win one of the prizes.

Thank you so much to all those that took part this year, your efforts have been fantastic! We are all really proud of you all.

As to the prizes, there is always next year.....

TOTAL SCORES TO DATE			21,762 miles	
League Position	Participant	Score	Per Pupil	
			Average Walks	CO2 Savings
1	Langstone Primary School	334	14	3.8kg
2	Westover Primary School	314	12	2.2kg
3	Milton Park Primary School	181	7	2.2kg
4	Copnor Primary School	136	4	0.7kg
Grand Totals:			4317kg	

## Year 1 and 2 Dance Club in September

**WWW.FUNKDDANCE.CO.UK**  
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**FUNKIDZ**  
CONFIDENCE THROUGH PERFORMANCE  
PRESENTED BY FUNK'D DANCE LIMITED

**TUESDAYS**  
**8-8.45AM**  
**OPEN TO YR1 AND YR2**

**CONTACT NOW TO RESERVE A SPACE!**

£9 PER SESSION (PLEASE NOTE PAYMENTS ARE MADE IN HALF TERMLY BLOCKS TO RESERVE YOUR CHILD'S SPACE)

★★★★★

AT FUNKIDZ DANCE WE PROVIDE INCLUSIVE AND AFFORDABLE AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FOR CHILDREN WHO SIMPLY LOVE TO DANCE AND PERFORM  
WE PRIDE OURSELVES IN IMPROVING CHILDREN'S CONFIDENCE THROUGH DANCE  
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE - BOOK NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

Please find information about an exciting new before school dance club starting in September for Year 1 and 2 children.

You can book online at the website below:

<https://www.funkddance.co.uk/>

## Basketball Updates



First of all, a huge congratulations to Portsmouth Force for their recognition at the Basketball England National Awards as Community Club of the Year.

They would like to thank our school and parents for being part of it:

*'This achievement belongs not only to us as a club, but to each school, parent, student, and community member who has supported our journey.'*

*'Your collaboration with us has played a huge part in this recognition. By welcoming us into your schools, you have given your students opportunities to stay active, improve their well-being, and engage in sport – and together, we have been able to influence and inspire our community.'*

They'd love to invite everyone to join their **After-school basketball club** from September. For now, parents can simply email with their child's name and year level to express interest – no payment is needed at this stage. They will then contact you in September with all the details to get started. Please use the email below:

[moustafa.portsmouthforce@gmail.com](mailto:moustafa.portsmouthforce@gmail.com)

Also, if any children would like to join the **Basketball Tournament** on the **12th of July**, parents can use the registration link below:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdIV0xLoVohuFWJA8juueISoNkJbat2PrtKs3aj9czZS8W32Q/viewform?usp=dialog>

**Get Active Portsmouth!**



This summer, ditch the car, grab your bike and join us for a series of **FREE** family fun days in parks across Portsmouth!

Whether you're looking to get fitter, explore more of the city, or just enjoy a great day out with the family, there's something for everyone — and it's all completely free!

Discover the benefits of swapping car journeys for greener, cleaner ways to travel like walking and cycling. One lucky person will also win a bike, lock and helmet in our prize draw.

Join us between 11am and 2pm at one of our local park events for a jam-packed day of fun, fitness, and freebies. Sign up on Eventbrite using the links below, or just turn up:

- Tuesday 5 August – Canoe Lake, Southsea
- Wednesday 6 August – Baffins Park
- Wednesday 13 August – Alexandra Park, Hilsea
- Thursday 14 August – Paulsgrove Park



There's plenty of activities to get involved with, including a cycle obstacle course, inflatables, face painting for the kids, bike safety checks and security marking. We are also offering up to 50% off used bikes in partnership with Portsmouth Cycle Exchange (£50 maximum discount).

Find out more at [www.travel.portsmouth.gov.uk/getactive](http://www.travel.portsmouth.gov.uk/getactive).

## Stomp for Stamps

Looking for a fun, free way to keep the kids active and entertained over the summer holidays? Stomp for Stamps is back and it's the perfect family activity to enjoy together!

This exciting treasure hunt-style challenge encourages children to explore Portsmouth's parks and green spaces while walking, cycling, scooting or wheeling. It's a great way to stay active, enjoy the outdoors, and discover new parts of the city, all without needing the car!

Here's how it works:

- Pick up a free map book and pencils from any Portsmouth library.
- Head out to explore five fun routes across the city, each featuring a friendly Pompey Monster and a hidden plaque with an animal or insect design.
- Children can take colourful rubbings of the plaques and collect a sticker from the library for each one they complete.
- Complete at least three routes to earn a special prize - a reusable Pompey Monsters metal water bottle, to be given out by your school when term starts again.
- Plus, new for this year children can try the decoder challenge. Find symbols on each route to decode a hidden phrase for the chance to win a brand-new telescope!

Most routes are designed to be wheelchair and pushchair-friendly, so everyone can join in. Along the way, children will build confidence in map-reading, enjoy creative activities, and learn about healthy, active travel all while having fun as a family.

It's a brilliant way to stay active and healthy, learn new skills and enjoy quality time outdoors.

To get started, just visit your local library to collect your free map and crayon.

Find out more at: <https://travel.portsmouth.gov.uk/cleaner-air/stomp-for-stamps/>

If you have any questions or need more information about these events, please contact us at [travel@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:travel@portsmouthcc.gov.uk).

## Family First – Summer Edition

Please find the link below to the latest edition of Family First:

<https://familyfirst.co.uk/issue3-25>

A free copy of the UK's largest Parenting title – enjoy!

**FamilyFirst**  
**netmums**



## ESOL for Communication Skills Check



This skills check is aimed at learners where English is not their first language (ESOL) and will enable learners to be signposted to the relevant (non-accredited)

English for Communication course to help them develop English communication skills for everyday life.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

**Available times:**

**10:00am - 12:00pm or 11:00am - 12:00pm**

**13:00pm - 14:00pm or 14:00pm - 15:00pm**

**Free\***

Subject to eligibility checks.

Please provide proof of Photographic ID: residency card and or passport on the day.

This course will take place at **The Learning Place**.

You can book your space now by calling (023)92 621860 or

emailing [thelearningplace@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:thelearningplace@portsmouthcc.gov.uk)

\*skills check is free; the course is £25 for the full 10 weeks.

[Learn.portsmouth.gov.uk](http://Learn.portsmouth.gov.uk)

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## Community Learning Service

Please see the flyers for the latest Community Learning Service workshops.

These are **free** workshops so please call or email to book your places.

## Family Learning

**Free!**

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## Summer Workshops

COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR FAMILY WORKSHOPS.

WE ARE RUNNING 2 MORNING SESSIONS FROM **10.00AM - 12.00PM**

BASED ON THE FOLLOWING THEMES:



**Places are limited so please book early!**

Maximum of 2 children per family - suitable for children in yR to y6

**These workshops will take place at**

**The Learning Place, 6 Derby Road, North End, PO2 8HH.**

**To book your space call (023)92 621860 or**

**email: [thelearningplace@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:thelearningplace@portsmouthcc.gov.uk)**

**Looking forward to seeing you there!**

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## 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.



At National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and educators with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. Please visit [nationalonlinesafety.com](http://nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

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# What you need to know about... GAMES CONSOLES

## What are they?

‘Games Consoles’

Much like a television allows you to watch movies or a radio allows you to listen to music, a games console allows you to play video games. The most modern ones are names you might be familiar with – Sony PlayStation, Microsoft Xbox, and Nintendo Switch – and almost all of them can now connect to the internet and be enjoyed online with friends.

## Know the Risks

### Online Content

While modern consoles don't strictly need to be connected to the internet, many of them also double up as an internet browser or provide the ability to stream TV shows and movies, so it's important that the appropriate filters and parental controls are in place to restrict children viewing any unsuitable content.

### Addictive nature

Games consoles require video games, and both can ultimately contribute towards an addictive habit. Playing too much and too often can force children to become reliant on the good feelings released when playing games, making them more likely to want to play them more frequently, and for longer periods of time.

### Hacking risk

It's almost impossible to avoid signing up to different services when using modern consoles. Keeping track of all these accounts can be confusing and in a worst-case scenario, fraudsters could gain access to personal information, addresses and bank details by hacking online profiles.

### Online Chat

Once connected to the internet, players can talk to each other either over headsets or using text chat functions on the consoles. Without the proper protections in place, children could speak to anybody of any age and find themselves building relationships with strangers they know nothing about.

## Safety Tips

### Check contacts

Online predators and hackers often use sly tactics to build relationships with children get them to illicit personal details through gaming platforms or gaming communities. Be on the lookout for suspect communications such as intrusive personal messages or people you suspect might not be who they say they are.

### Look for behaviour changes

Becoming withdrawn, irritable and anxious when not playing on a games console are trademark symptoms of gaming addiction. If children turn angry when asked to stop playing, that could also be a sign that an intervention is needed.

### Keep details private

Games consoles will almost exclusively ask you to enter your details securely on the console itself, or through a trusted website tied to the console maker. If somebody claiming to be working for Sony, Microsoft or Nintendo asks you to share your passwords or account details, do not give it to them.

### Use parental controls

Most gaming consoles will have parental controls which can be used to set up things like family management accounts. From here, parents can often set age limits on games and content, spending restrictions, limit play time and set up passwords and authentications to help keep children safe.

## Further Support

### Block and report

If someone has made your child feel uncomfortable, make note of suspect players' usernames. Often, you'll be able to ban or block these players in a game's settings. If you have proof of their intentions, don't hesitate to contact your local police force or authority with as much information and evidence as you can gather.

### Seek Support

If you're concerned about your child playing too much on their console and think they may have developed a gaming addiction, try and offer them support. The World Health Organisation has classified gaming disorder as a mental health condition and there may be external providers locally who can offer you more targeted help.

### Keep IDs safe

Be sure to talk to your child about the importance of keeping their identity safe. If they ever receive messages claiming to be from companies but something doesn't feel right, tell them not to respond and inform you. Things like odd spelling and grammar, strange email addresses, or asking for personal information are tell-tale signs.

## Our Expert

**Mark Foster**

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Enjoy your weekends and we look forward to welcoming your child back into school on Monday.

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