

# Cupernham Infant School

## Newsletter 17 – 23rd May 2025



*Together we care, we learn and we achieve!*

We have had a fantastic couple of weeks celebrating achievements and making memorable experiences. Year 2 have visited Bournemouth Synagogue and Romsey Abbey and were brilliant in their Fabulous Finish Assemblies. Year 1 enjoyed their Titanic Day and Year R enjoying their visit from two traditional tractors and their Farm day. On top of all that, the children have collected hundreds of house points for their amazing work and being Ready, Respectful and Safe.

It was so good to see so many families walking to school this week and joining in the Living Streets Charity "Walking to school week". Thank you for your support.

Please note that Hampshire County Council Education Catering will also be providing a picnic option after the holidays, full details and links are below.

I hope you have restful half term holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone back in school on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025** for another busy but brilliant half term.

Kind regards *Mr Wells*



### Dates for Your Diary



Event	Date
<b>Half Term (inc. Bank Holiday)</b>	<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May</b>
Back to School	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Year 1 Jonathans's Jungle (children only)	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 1 Phonics Screening week	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June
FOCUS Father's Day Crafts	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June to Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June
Class Photographs	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 2 Marwell Zoo Trip	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 1 Southampton Mosque trip (AM only)	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June
Owls Fabulous Finish Assembly	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June @ 2.50pm
Parents Evening (whole school)	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June
Robins Fabulous Finish Assembly	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June @ 2.50pm
Hummingbirds Fabulous Finish Assembly	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June @ 2.50pm
Energise Me Day (Children only)	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June
Sports Day (more details to follow)	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June 9.15 – 11.15am
Jolf Day (Children only)	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June
Wrens Fabulous Finish Assembly	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July @ 2.50pm
Penguins Fabulous Finish Assembly	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July @ 2.50pm
Sparrows Fabulous Finish Assembly	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July @ 2.50pm
Rocksteady Concert (Rocksteady Parents Only)	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July @ 10.00am
Year 2 Leavers Performance (Details to follow)	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July @ 2.30pm
Year 2 Leavers Disco (Children only)	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>Last day of Term (Finish at 1.20pm)</b>	<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>
<b>INSET Days</b>	<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July &amp; Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>

## Our Learning This Week



### Year R

Year R have had a lovely time this half term with our topic 'Down on the Farm'. The children have learnt lots about how to care for animals and how farming has changed over the years. This week we had old tractors visit us which was fun to see the difference – we realised the old tractors didn't have roofs or windows. We then had an incredible art day on Thursday where we created artwork using natural resources. To end our half term, we had a 'Farm Day' where we got to learn barn dancing as well as taking part in a year group cat walk with our awesome outfits.

Well done for a fabulous half term, we can't wait to welcome you back for our exciting topic 'Glorious Gardens'. 😊



### KS1

#### Year 1

What a term we have had! The children have thoroughly enjoyed our Titanic topic this term. This week we have written a fact file about the Titanic where they have been able to write all about the interesting facts that they have learnt. We have also started our art topic of printing. The children have explored different objects they can print with and have practised making a printing block. This week we have made a boat-printing block and have then printed this into our art books. We hope you have a fab half term and feel ready for the final term in Year 1.

#### Year 2

Year 2 have had a brilliant half term. We have learnt so much about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole and enjoyed showing our knowledge with our fabulous finish assemblies. We have written excellent diary entries and fact files about these two brilliant women as well. We really enjoyed our school trip to Bournemouth Synagogue and Romsey Abbey and the children behaved so well throughout. It was such an interesting day and the children asked so many fabulous questions. We hope you have an amazing holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back in June for our final half term of infant school.





## HOT TOPIC



PAPAYA in partnership with the schools of Romsey invite you to:

## LET'S TALK ABOUT OUR KIDS AND THEIR TECH



**Dr Helen Thomas** is a GP in Hampshire, a member of Health Professionals for Safer Screens as well as a parent member of Smartphone Free Childhood. Dr Thomas has delivered health harms talks in schools and healthcare professional training across Hampshire.

**Hannah Verney Lloyd** is a qualified teacher with over ten years of experience and, most recently, served as an Assistant Head Pastoral at a London prep school. She is passionate about mental health and wellbeing and cares deeply about empowering parents, children, and teenagers as they navigate managing their online lives to achieve the best possible mental health and happiness.



**ROMSEY RUGBY CLUB, GRANGER FARM SPORTS PAVILLION, SO51 0EE**

**June 10<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**6.15-7.45 PM**

**SECURE YOUR FREE TICKET HERE OR VIA QR CODE**

## HELPING FAMILIES TO THRIVE IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Parenting in the **digital age** has never been more complex, with issues surrounding screen time, social media use, and gaming. Many parents are concerned about their children's mental health, especially the impact of screens on it.

In this interactive talk, Dr Helen Thomas and Hannah Verney Lloyd will unpack some of the **complex issues** surrounding smartphone use and, in a **non-judgmental** manner, aims to help you find solutions that work for your family.

## TOPICS

- The link between mental health and wellbeing and spending too much time online
- Strategies for delaying the smartphone
- Strategies for families to achieve a healthy balance with technology
- Question and discussion time

## Hampshire County Council (HCC) Education Catering School Picnic Menus



HCC Education Catering School Picnic Menu will be available from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June until the End of Term

Our School Picnic Lunch option has been designed by HCC Education Catering to provide a balanced selection of carbohydrates, protein, fresh fruits and vegetables. The children can select these in class as an alternative option to the usual meat and vegetarian menu options. Special diets will be catered for.

- **Monday:** Cheese Sandwiches or Roll
- **Tuesday:** Ham Sandwiches or Roll
- **Wednesday:** Cheese Sandwiches or Roll
- **Thursday:** Ham Sandwiches or Roll
- **Friday:** Cheese Sandwiches or Roll

Full details are on the website at: <https://www.cupernhaminfant.com/school-meals/>

## ADMIN NEWS! – New FORMS Communications

We have now moved across to using **FORMS** to request consent and information for trips, parents evening etc. Hard copies will always be available in the office to complete if required. Thank you to Mrs Borg for her amazing help.

After half term we will also be using our new **Arbor Communication Systems** to send out emails and text messages to you.

We are hoping that the use of both of these new systems will be a seamless transition; but please bear with us and if you experience any problems let us know as soon as you can. Many thanks.





We have a fantastic opportunity for somebody to join our amazing school and friendly community. We are looking for a

- Part-Time Teacher Job Share (0.2) KS1

Full Details can be found on our website at: [School Vacancies](#)

Join our Instagram Community!



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### INSET DAYS September 2025 – July 2026

Our INSET days for September 2025 through to July 2026 have now been approved. They are:

- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

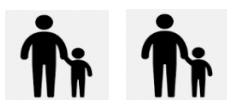
### School Photographs



**Make Photography** will be in school taking **class photos** on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June.

Please make sure that children are wearing a jumper or cardigan for the photograph. Thank you.

### Supervision

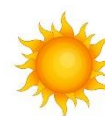


Please can we ensure that all adults closely supervise children on the playground before and after school.

Also, could we remind parents children are not allowed on the Trim Trail or the slide before and after school.

Thank you for your continued support.

### Sun Safe Policy



Please remember to apply sun-cream before school and supply a named hat for your child to wear outside on sunny days.

Our Sun Safe Policy can be found on our website at:

<https://www.cupernhaminfant.com/policies/>

### Parent Forum



Thank you to all those who attended the last Parent Forum on Wraparound Care and Extra Curricular Activities. The next parent forum will be on 18<sup>th</sup> June @ 9.15am, we will be discussing what support is needed within the parent community and the best way to deliver this via Parental Workshops.



# Fabulous Finish Assemblies

Each assembly will start at 2.50pm so please arrive at 2.45pm at the main office. Each assembly will be 20 minutes long so that will give you enough time go back out and wait on the playground for collection.

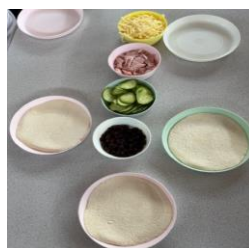
Date	Year	Class	Time
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	1	Owls	2.50pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	1	Robins	2.50pm
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	1	Hummingbirds	2.50pm
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	R	Wrens	2.50pm
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	R	Penguins	2.50pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	R	Sparrows	2.50pm



## Wraparound Care Corner

At breakfast club, children have been enjoying the independence of buttering their own toast and spreading butter or jam just the way they like it. They also have a choice of cereals to start their day with a healthy and tasty breakfast.

Meanwhile, in Cuckoo's, the children have been getting creative by making their own wraps, it's been wonderful to see them building confidence and life skills while having fun with food.



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## Our VE-Day School Banners



Well done to all our children for creating our wonderful VE-Day Banners, which were proudly displayed in Romsey Abby for all to see.



## 'Energise Me' day



**Monday 23rd June - Energise Me Day** will be a fantastic whole school event aimed at, boosting energy, confidence and working together in teams. This is a school only event as parents will be invited to our sports day. The Mountbatten PEd team and Cupernham staff will assist the children with their activities and introduce them to new sports such as: - Spooner Boards, Archery, Airtrack, Golf, New Age Kurling, Dance, Football Smash, Parachute Games, Adventure Games!

Please make sure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit and trainers, with suntan lotion previously applied and a named hat as they will be outside for some of the day. Water bottles will be refilled regularly and lunches will be as normal. Please do not bring book bags on this day.



Is your child starting school in  
September 2026? Come and visit us.

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## Open Days

Headteacher led tours

**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 6.15-7.30pm**

**Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Oct 9.30-10.30am**

**Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Nov 9.30-10.30am**

**Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 9.30-10.30am**

Book your tour by  
scanning the QR code

