YEAR R WRENS

Class Teacher: Mrs Woods and Mrs Smith
Learning Support Assistant: Mrs Dinning, Mrs Strudwick

Important diary dates and reminders

19th Oct – 30th Oct – *Half term*
Monday 2nd November – *Back to school*
Tuesday 3rd November – *Flu Vaccinations*

Notices

KIRFs – This half term our KIRF has been to name numbers in order to 10 and compare 2 numbers by saying which is more or less. The children have bought home a slip of paper letting you know how they got on, please continue to practise if there's a bit they found tricky. Next half term our KIRF is to recognise quantities up to 5 without counting (subitise).

PE – From next half term our PE day will be moving to a Monday. Please send your child in wearing PE kits on this day.

Uniform - Please can you add a reminder to parents on your Friday notes, that children should return to school in full winter uniform after half-term.

MP Christmas Card Competition! We have been invited by Gregory Stafford, MP for Farnham and Bordon, to take part in his annual *Christmas Card Competition.* Pupils are encouraged to create a festive design to be featured on his official Christmas card; recipients of this card include Headteachers in the constituency, senior national political leaders, prominent members of our local community and His Majesty King Charles III. The winning design will feature on the front cover of the card, with those in second, third and forth place featuring elsewhere on the card.

If your child is interested in entering the competition, please hand their design into the school office by **Monday 2nd November.** On the reverse of the design please include: child's name, age and school.

If one of our pupils wins the competition, Gregory Stafford will visit our school in early December to congratulate the winner and present them with a special Christmas gift from the House of Commons.

Class Update

And just like that we have completed our first half term in Wrens! Time really does fly when you're having fun! Thank you for all your support in this first half term, making it a successful and happy one. We are so

impressed with how the children have settled and they really are a joy to teach. It was really lovely to catch up with everyone at parents evening.

This week our activities have continued to centre around people who help us in our community. It's been lovely to see their enthusiasm for this, especially through roleplay and dressing up!

In phonics, we've learnt the new phonemes, h,b,f and l. Words you can make using flashcards are: big, log, hug, fun, fit. We have also learnt the tricky word 'the'. Please keep practising the flashcards/ blending over the half term break 😊

h h	helicopter	Open your mouth and breathe out sharply **h h h**	Down, up and over the helicopter.
b b	bear	Put your lips together and say **b** as you open them **b b b**	Down the bear's back, up and round its tummy.
f f	flamingo	Open your lips a little; put your teeth on your bottom lip and push the air out to make the sound **fffff** fffff	Down the flamingo to its foot and across its wings.
l l	lollipop	Open your mouth a little; put your tongue up to the top of your mouth, behind your teeth, and press **llllll** llllll	Down the lollipop stick.

In maths, the class were introduced to the number 1 using BBC Numberblocks. We have looked at lots of different ways of representing 1 and finding 1 in our environment e.g. 1 on the telephone, 1p coin, 1 on a number line. We've listened to the song '5 current buns' and the class loved re-enacting the nursery rhyme with 1p coins and pretend current buns.

Have a super half term!

Mrs Woods and Mrs Smith

Diocese of Guildford

Love one another as I have loved you
John 15:12

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