

## PARENT BULLETIN

## From the Headmaster

I spoke to the school on Monday morning about character and the importance of effort. It is clear to me from seeing the children in lessons and from looking at their work that they are all trying hard, doing their best and learning from their mistakes. I have been delighted to award many 'HM Oscar stamps' for excellent work this week. I do hope you will be able to attend our Open House on Monday morning, please see your invitation below. We are so lucky at Lyndhurst to have fabulous Music, Drama, Art and Sports provision. This week we spotlight the Music Department. Weekly lessons for all; choirs; bands; handbells; recorder; ukulele and one to one music lessons all on offer. Sparking interest and setting the foundation for future talent. I was very proud to hear from a former pupil recently who has been offfered a place at The Royal Academy of Music. We look ahead to another busy week and I hope some of you can join me for a drink in The Cabin next week.



You are cordially invited to our

#### Open House

Monday 22nd January between 8am and 8.50am

This is an opportunity for you to accompany your children into their classrooms. They will show you their classroom; their wonderful work and any artwork they have completed.

This is also an opportunity for you to see our fantastic new playground equipment.

Don't worry if you are unable to attend - the children will be in their classrooms with their Form Teacher.

Be the best we can be.



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Mon 22nd Jan Open House Book Look 8-9am
- Tue 23rd Jan Firefighter visit (Reception Class)
- Fri 26th Jan Drop in Drinks
   @TheCabin from 7.30pm



#### **PICK UP TIMES**

Please can you confirm what times you will be collecting your children each day using <u>this form</u>.

Thank you to those who have already submitted your times. This helps our staff on the gate to ensure children are dismissed safely and in a timely manner

The main gate is open at the following times, if you arrive in between these stated times without prior notice there may not be a member of staff available to collect your child from their club or after school activity. Where possible, please do arrive at these times.

Open at 4pm – Close at 4.05pm Open at 5pm – Close at 5.05pm

Between 5.30pm and 6pm please come to the front door

### SPORTS FIXTURES

Wed 24th Jan 2.30pm
Yr5 & Yr6
Hockey Match
Away at Barfield
\*Gumshields and shinpads
required

Fri 2nd Feb 9am
ISA Cross Country
at Sherfield

Wed 7th Feb 2.30pm Yr5 & Yr6 Tag Rugby Match Away at Waverley

#### **EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS**

As a school we are very proud of our offering of activities that children can join in and learn a new skill or develop existing specialties including Dance, Drama, Music, Languages, Media and Sports.

Clubs run throughout the week, before school, after school and some during the school day (These times are scheduled to avoid core lessons)

There are still spaces available for the current term, the link below will give you a detailed description of each class and allow you to book. Please be aware that at least half a term's notice is required should you withdraw.

**Extra Curricular Club Information** 



#### **DOODLE BACK TO SCHOOL**

The aim is all children in each class to be in the 'Green Zone' on different accounts

The Back-to-School Competition in DoodleMaths, DoodleTables, DoodleEnglish and DoodleSpell gives your children the chance to win a bundle of educational goodies worth £75!

This year, for the first time, we're including DoodleTables in the Challenge as well By taking part, your childrem will be incentivised to complete their 10 minutes of daily Doodling. It's a great way to get our pupils back into the habit of Doodling regularly and to be in with a chance of winning a some exciting prizes!

Encourage your children to be working in the green zone (by achieving their target number of stars) for 14 consecutive days from Friday the 19th January to Friday the 2nd February.

The class with the highest % of children in the green zone for each programme will win!

In the event of multiple classes achieving 100% of pupils on target, we'll select one class at random to be the winner for that subject.

**REMEMBER - DOODLE EVERY DAY, KEEPS THE SKILLS IN PLAY!** 

## Subject Spotlight...

# MUSIC

## Did you know?

Research indicates that music plays an important role in the brain development of a child.

Furthermore, researchers believe that children who have more exposure to music and music training benefit from enhanced brain activity which has been shown to increase students' abilities to perform certain academic tasks.



We are lucky to have our 3 amazingly talented and experienced Music teachers.

Together they bring wonderfully creative lessons across all our year groups

Beyond the classroom they offer 1-1 lessons during the school day. The lessons are scheduled carefully to avoid core subjects (where possible) and the lesson times rotated each week so that the same school lesson is not missed each week.

Many of our students have achieved brilliant results in their music exams

#### Did you know?

Music grade exams count towards UCAS points for university and higher education entry





## To find out more about 1-1 lessons and book click here

- Flute
- Clarinet
- Saxaphone
- Recorder
- Guitar
- Piano
- Singing



