

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 11th September 2026



## What a Fantastic First Week!

*This week on the blog: First days, Imagination, Vocabulary & Geography!*

It has been a fantastic start to the new school year across the school! Our **Year R children** have begun their exciting journey with us, getting to know their new surroundings, teachers and friends and settling beautifully into school life. **Team 1/2** have been exploring *On Sudden Hill*, thinking about friendship, kindness and imagination. They transformed simple cardboard boxes into extraordinary creations, becoming designers, builders and storytellers along the way. **Team 3/4** have been developing their vocabulary through *A Tale of Two Beasts*, exploring character perspectives and learning ambitious words to strengthen their writing. Meanwhile, **Team 5/6** have started their Geography map work, investigating different types of maps and becoming geographical detectives as they explored their purposes and uses. What a brilliant beginning to the year! For pictures and more [click here](#) to view our blog webpage.

## Our Bible Verse this week:

**"But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me."**

Philippians 3:13-14

# IMPORTANT DATES 2026-2027

[\(click here for Hampshire Term dates\)](#)

| Event                                                        | Date/Time                                                                                                                | Who for             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Autumn Term</b>                                           | <b>Tuesday 1st September - Friday 18th December 2026</b>                                                                 | <b>Whole School</b> |
| Year 6 Open Morning at The Mountbatten School                | Wednesday 30th September 2026                                                                                            | Year 6              |
| Individual & Sibling School Photos                           | Tuesday 13th October 2026                                                                                                | Whole School        |
| 'Responsibility' Day                                         | Friday 16th October 2026                                                                                                 | Whole School        |
| Harvest Church Service                                       | Tuesday 20th October 2026                                                                                                | Whole School        |
| Paultons Park<br><b>More details to follow</b>               | Wednesday 21st October 2026                                                                                              | Year 5/6            |
| <b>INSET DAYS</b>                                            | <b>Thursday 22nd - Friday 23rd October</b>                                                                               | <b>Whole School</b> |
| <b>Autumn Half-Term</b>                                      | <b>Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October 2026</b>                                                                    | <b>Whole School</b> |
| Book Fair in School<br><b>More details to follow</b>         | Wednesday 4th - Monday 9th November 2026                                                                                 | Whole School        |
| Parent Consultations<br><b>More details to follow</b>        | Monday 9th November 2026<br>Thursday 12th November 2026                                                                  | Whole School        |
| Flu Immunisations<br><b>More details to follow</b>           | Thursday 12th November 2026                                                                                              | Whole School        |
| YR Open Morning<br><b>For pupils starting September 2027</b> | Friday 13th November 10 am<br>Tuesday 24th November 10am<br>Wednesday 25th November 10 am<br>Thursday 3rd December 10 am | New Starters        |
| Iron Age Museum<br><b>More details to follow</b>             | Thursday 18th November 2026                                                                                              | Year 3/4            |
| Christingle Church Service                                   | Tuesday 8th December 2026                                                                                                | Whole School        |
| Nativity<br><b>More details to follow</b>                    | Wednesday 9th December 2026 2-3 pm                                                                                       | Year 2              |
| Nativity<br><b>More details to follow</b>                    | Thursday 10th December 2026 9.15-10.15                                                                                   | Year 2              |
| Nativity Songs                                               | Thursday 10th December 2026 3.15 pm                                                                                      | Year 1/2            |
| Carols Around the Tree                                       | Tuesday 15th December 2026 3.15 pm                                                                                       | Whole School        |
| <b>Last Day of Term - 1.15pm finish</b>                      | <b>Friday 18th December 2026</b>                                                                                         | <b>Whole School</b> |

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| <b>Christmas Holidays</b>                             | <b>Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January 2027</b>   | <b>Whole School</b> |
| <b>Spring Term</b>                                    | <b>Monday 4th January - Thursday 25th March 2027</b>    | <b>Whole School</b> |
| Year 6 Height & Weight                                | Wednesday 20th January 2027                             | Year 6              |
| First Day of Spring Term                              | Monday 4th January 2027                                 | Whole School        |
| Year R Height & Weight                                | Wednesday 27th January 2027                             | Year R              |
| 'Love' Day                                            | Friday 12th February 2027                               | Whole School        |
| Year R Height & Weight                                | Wednesday 24th February 2027                            | Year R              |
| <b>Spring Half-Term</b>                               | <b>Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February 2027</b> | <b>Whole School</b> |
| <b>INSET DAY</b>                                      | <b>Monday 22nd February 2027</b>                        | <b>Whole School</b> |
| Prime VR Day                                          | Wednesday 10th March 2027                               | Y3-Y6               |
| Musical Theatre Performances                          | Saturday 13th March 2027                                | Whole School        |
| Parent Consultations<br><b>More details to follow</b> | Monday 15th March 2027<br>Thursday 18th March 2027      | Whole School        |
| <b>Easter Holiday</b>                                 | <b>Friday 26th March - Friday 9th April 2027</b>        | <b>Whole School</b> |
| <b>Summer Term</b>                                    | <b>Monday 12th April - Wednesday 21st July 2027</b>     | <b>Whole School</b> |
| Year R Height & Weight                                | Wednesday 21st April 2027                               | Year R              |
| 'Joy' Day                                             | Thursday 27th May 2027                                  | Whole School        |
| <b>INSET DAY</b>                                      | <b>Friday 28th May 2027</b>                             | <b>Whole School</b> |
| <b>Summer Half-Term</b>                               | <b>Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2027</b>           | <b>Whole School</b> |
| 'Growing & Changing' Week                             | Monday 7th June - Friday 11th June 2027                 | Whole School        |
| Class & Leavers Photos                                | Tuesday 8th June 2027                                   | Whole School        |
| Swimming Lessons                                      | Monday 14th - Friday 18th June 2027                     | Year 4              |

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|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Year R Height & Weight                  | Wednesday 16th June 2027                             | Year R              |
| Minstead Residential Trip               | Monday 21st - Friday 25th June 2027                  | Year 4              |
| Transition Day                          | Wednesday 7th July 2027                              | Whole School        |
| PGL Residential Trip                    | Monday 12th - Wednesday 14th July                    | Year 6              |
| Year 6 Leavers Service                  | Tuesday 20th July                                    | Year 6              |
| <b>Last Day of Term - 1.15pm finish</b> | <b>Wednesday 21st July 2027</b>                      | <b>Whole School</b> |
| <b>Summer Holiday</b>                   | <b>Thursday 22nd July - Tuesday 31st August 2027</b> | <b>Whole School</b> |

### Sports Event for the Autumn Term

| Date & Time                                                         | Event                               | Year           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Friday 25 September 1:30-4pm @ MB                                   | Orienteering Festival               | Year 3/4       |
| Monday 28 Sept, 5 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct, 4-5pm @MB | Cross Country Races 1, 2 & 3        | Years 1 – 6    |
| Weds 30 September Time – AM or PM                                   | KS1 Gymnastics Festival @ Starlight | Year 1/2       |
| Wednesday 7 October 9:30-2:30pm @ MB                                | Bronze Ambassador Training Day      | Year 6         |
| Friday 16 October 1:30-4pm @MB                                      | Multi Sports Leadership Festival    | Year 5/6       |
| Friday 6 November 1:30-4pm @MB                                      | Tag Rugby Festival                  | Year 3/4 & 5/6 |
| Friday 13 November 1:30-4pm @MB                                     | Girls Football Competition          | Year 5/6       |
| Friday 20 November 1:30-4pm @MB                                     | Multi Skills Festival               | Year 1/2       |
| Friday 27 Nov 1:30-4pm @ Romsey Sec. School                         | Hockey Festival                     | Year 5/6       |
| Friday 4 Dec, 1:30-4pm @ Romsey Sec. School                         | Basketball Competition              | Year 5/6       |

## Local events and information:

### This Week at Re:Minds



7th – 11th September

Book ahead

5pm · Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September

#### CAMHS Evening Advice Clinic

A private 10-minute virtual appointment with a CAMHS clinician about any issue covered by the service. Open to all Re:Minds members seeking general advice.

Book your slot: [info@reminds.org.uk](mailto:info@reminds.org.uk)

Book ahead

10.30am · Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September

#### CAMHS Autism Advice Clinic

A private 10-minute virtual appointment to speak with a clinician about support for your child's mental health including where autism may be contributing to their needs.

Book your slot: [info@reminds.org.uk](mailto:info@reminds.org.uk)

Drop in

6pm · Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September

#### Virtual Support Group

For parents and carers of children who are neurodivergent and/or have mental health needs. Meet others who understand, from the comfort of home.

Zoom link shared in our Facebook group

Drop in

10am–12pm · Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September

#### Shirley Support Group

A safe, welcoming space to connect with other parents and carers who share similar experiences. Held at St James Road Methodist Church, St James Road, Shirley.

No booking needed – just drop in

Please check our Facebook events page for any changes, or visit our website to find out more information about our advice clinics and support groups.

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### Next Week at Re:Minds

14th – 18th September

Book ahead

10am · Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September

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Book ahead

10am · Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September

#### CAMHS ADHD Advice Clinic

A private 10-minute virtual appointment to speak with a clinician about support for your child's mental health including where ADHD may be contributing to their needs.

Book your slot: [info@reminds.org.uk](mailto:info@reminds.org.uk)

Book ahead

From 12.30pm · Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September

#### SEND Legal Advice Clinic

A private 30-minute virtual appointment to discuss advice on EHCPs, school issues, appeals and tribunals, provision and placement concerns, and your legal rights.

Book your slot: [info@reminds.org.uk](mailto:info@reminds.org.uk)

Drop in

10am–12pm · Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September

#### Northam Support Group

A safe, welcoming space to connect with other parents and carers who share similar experiences. Held at Northam Community Centre, Kent Street, Northam, Southampton

No booking needed – just drop in

Drop in

**Millbrook Support Group** 10am–12pm · Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September

A safe, welcoming space to connect with other parents and carers who share similar experiences. Held at All Saints Church, Sedbergh Road, Redbridge

No booking needed – just drop in

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# Next Week at Re:Minds



**21st - 25th September**

## Drop in

**10am-12pm · Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September · Children welcome**

## Sholing Support Group

An opportunity to chat with other families in similar situations over a cuppa! It is a good place to ask for advice about anything that is worrying you, with the group or on a 1:1 basis. There is never any pressure to talk, it's fine to just sit and listen. All support groups are open to parents/carers living in any area.

Held at Salvation Army, 93 North East Road, Sholing, Southampton, SO19 8AF

**No booking needed - just drop in**

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**YEAR 5 & 6**

# OPEN EVENING

**WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER | 4PM - 6:30PM**

Join us for **guided tours** and a presentation by the **Academy Principal**.

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**Oasis Academy Lord's Hill**





# TESTLANDS HOLIDAY CLUBS

**OCTOBER HALF TERM**  
MONDAY 26 OCTOBER - FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER

**OASIS ACADEMY LORDS HILL  
BANISTER PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**LONG & SHORT DAYS  
OFSTED REGISTERED**

**ACTIVITIES INCLUDE**

FOOTBALL - NETBALL - BASKETBALL CAPTURE THE FLAG - DODGEBALL  
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# ROMSEY SEA CADETS

We are holding an  
*Open Evening!*



**MONDAY  
14TH SEPTEMBER 2026**



**7:00-8:00PM**



Come along and find out what Sea Cadets get up to and talk to our cadets.

## FUN, FRIENDS AND ADVENTURES



Romsey Sea Cadets is a welcoming unit for 10-17 year olds, meeting near Romsey Rapids on Mondays, with boating nights in Southampton during summer, weekend courses and national qualifications.



Location: Romsey Sea Cadets,  
Southampton Road, SO51 8AF  
(behind Romsey Rapids)



**Cadets (12-17):**  
Mondays 7-9pm



**Junior Cadets (10-12):**  
Mondays 7-8:30pm



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## Hampshire County Youth Choirs Open Rehearsal

Friday 11th September 2026

The United Church, Jewry St, Winchester

• 5-7pm - Show Choir (Y7 to Y13)

• 5:15-6:30pm - Junior Choir (Y2 to Y6)

Concert to parents at 6:30pm

• 7:30-8:45pm – Crescendo Choir (Y7 to Y10)

• 7:30-9pm - Youth Choir (Y10 to Y13)

Concert to parents at 8:45pm



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