

October 2025

## West Tytherley C of E Primary School

# Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the last newsletter of the half term; we have lots to share!

Please take the time to read both this newsletter and the half-term round up that has been prepared by your child's class teacher. It is a wonderful way to talk to your child about what they have learned and achieved in this first half term of the new academic year.

We are always searching for ways to be able to communicate effectively, and by reading this information we hope that you will feel connected with the experiences that your children have at school. If you enjoy them, please recommend them to other parents. Sometimes our busy lives mean that we filter through, looking at dates and making sure that we know what is coming up. Time spent with your children reflecting on their learning has such a positive impact on them and hopefully you too.

You will also receive the information about what your children will be learning next term in the form of a topic web. Please take a look, it will help you to know what is being covered in all the curriculum areas leading up to the Christmas holidays.

### Year R Open Mornings

It has been fantastic to welcome so many new families to look around our lovely school and the feedback that we have received has been so positive. Parents have been impressed with the provision both inside and outside and above all else have commented on how impressed they are with the behaviour and attitude of our children. On a number of occasions our tour has taken us outside at playtime, and the parents have commented on the happy children who are playing so well with each other. It has also been lovely to see how any young visitors have been encouraged to join in by our children and they have looked after them beautifully.



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## What's Coming Up?

### Half Term

27th - 31st October

### Application Deadline for Year 7

31st October

### Inset Days

Monday 3rd November

Tuesday 4th November

### Children in Need Day

14th November

### Nasal Flu Vaccinations

25th November

### Harvest Festival

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church. Speaking to one parent afterwards, they reflected how Harvest Festival was always singing *We Plough the Fields*, and a clip round the ear for not standing up straight and singing properly! Now, we try to make sure that the children have the opportunity to enjoy speaking in front of an audience and become confident to do so. These skills, learned early, will be very useful in the future!

We felt that it was important this year to celebrate the efforts of the local farming community. As a small school, in the heart of the countryside, many of our families work in this area. We think that it is important to celebrate their hard work and recognise the challenges that they face. The drama the children performed was based on the answers to some questions that we posed to some of our Mums and Dads. We were also pleased to make mention of their favourite pieces of machinery too!

You will be pleased to hear that Farmer Pete's sheep, were all safely returned to their field after escaping to the tractor shed, and I know from the parental reaction that this song was enjoyed by everyone.

Thank you for the kind food donations, they have gone to the Romsey Food Bank.



### Girls Football Competition

The work that the girls have put in to their football in the afterschool club, prepared them very well for the competition and they were confident and committed participants. We were impressed by the levels of skill that were demonstrated and that they played so well as a team. It was a strong result and they just missed out on a medal position.



### *Oak Class Trip to The SeaCity Museum*

Oak Class had an amazing trip to the SeaCity Museum in Southampton. The children explored the history of the Titanic, discovering fascinating facts about the ship, its passengers and their experiences.

The interactive exhibits provided a fun and engaging way to deepen their understanding of this important part of history.



### *Roman Day: A Federation Success*

We had an incredible day here at West Tytherley for Romans Day! Willow Class teamed up with their federation friends from Foxes Class at Broughton Primary School for a jam-packed day of fun, creativity and teamwork.

Together, they baked delicious Roman honey biscuits, built their own Roman towns, engineered mighty catapults, trained like real Roman soldiers and crafted mosaics.



### PTA Spooky Disco

A fang-tastic time was had by all at our Spooky Disco! There were amazing costumes, incredible dance moves and so many smiles, all while raising money for our PTA projects!

Thank you to our teachers and PTA volunteers for making the disco such a success.

Please be aware that we do not overly encourage a lot of talk about this time of the year in school. We aim that it is a light-hearted party, keeping away from the scary and darker themes. We are aware that children are all different and have different tolerances for this subject. We would be very grateful if you can encourage your children to take this approach too.



### Clubs

Mrs Bennet worked very hard to organise a range of clubs this term, and we are really pleased with both the uptake and positive participation from the children. A notable introduction has been The Reign Theatre Company, who have been a delight to work with, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed the sessions. We hope to see them return to teach again next year!

The teachers are also brilliant at organising and running clubs, on top of their teaching day and this enables us to offer a wide and diverse selection. Please make sure that you have signed up for next half-term.

### INSET

Please remember that we have 2 additional days INSET on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November. This is important staff training and we are covering a lot of useful content on these days. We look forward to seeing you back at school on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**.

### Children in Need – Friday 14th November

We're inviting all children to come to school dressed in **spots, yellow, or Pudsey-themed clothing** in exchange for a £1 donation to this wonderful cause. To help raise even more money, we'd also love families to send in cakes or biscuits decorated in Children in Need colours – **yellow, white, red, blue, and green**. These tasty treats will be sold at the end of the school day, with all proceeds going directly to Children in Need.

Our Charities Committee will be launching a take-home activity competition for all children to enter. It's a fun way to get involved at home and support the cause – more details coming soon!

Thank you for your support and generosity – together we can make a big difference for children across the UK!

Have a wonderful half term break!

Best wishes

*Lucy Macey*



## [e-consent for Nasal Flu Vaccine](#)

**Your child's annual Nasal Flu Vaccination is now due.** The vaccine helps protect against flu, which can be a serious or life-threatening illness.

**Click the link below for the electronic form and information about the vaccine. You will need to input the School Code below to complete the form. Access to the form will close two working days prior to the session.**

School Code: **SH116323**

Session date: **Tuesday 25 November 2025**

Year Group: **Year R - Year 6**

Link to website: [Annual Nasal Flu Vaccination Programme - Hampshire - Parents: Health for Kids](#)

The nasal flu vaccine contains products derived from pigs (porcine gelatine). To opt for the porcine gelatine free inactive flu injection, select NO to the nasal flu immunisation and you will be given further options. More information for parents is available from [www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)

Alternatively, if you decide you **do not** wish your child to receive the vaccine against flu, please complete the form to record your decision. This will enable us to update your child's immunisation record.

The poster is titled "School Age Immunisation Service" with the NHS logo and the tagline "Get protected against flu". It features several icons of viruses. A central image shows a young boy in a school uniform using a nasal spray. To the right, a "COMING SOON" graphic states that the immunisation team will be coming to West Tytherley CofE Primary School on 25th Nov 2025 to administer the flu nasal spray. Below this, a QR code is provided to complete a flu consent form, with the school code SH116323. On the left, a section titled "FLU: 5 REASONS TO GET PROTECTED AGAINST FLU" lists five points: 1. Protect your child, 2. Protect you and family, 3. No injection needed, 4. Better than having flu, and 5. Avoid costs. At the bottom, it provides the website [www.healthforkids.co.uk/hampshire/annual-nasal-flu-vaccination-programme/](http://www.healthforkids.co.uk/hampshire/annual-nasal-flu-vaccination-programme/) for more information.

**NHS**

**School Age Immunisation Service**  
Get protected against flu

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West Tytherley CofE Primary School  
to administer the flu nasal spray to the students on:  
25th Nov 2025

**FLU: 5 REASONS TO GET PROTECTED AGAINST FLU**

1. Protect your child - The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia.
2. Protect you, your family and friends - Having the vaccine will help protect more vulnerable friends and family.
3. No injection needed - The nasal spray is painless and easy to have.
4. It's better than having flu - The nasal spray helps protect against flu and has been given to millions worldwide.
5. Avoid costs - If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare.

Scan the QR code to complete a flu consent form (even if you wish to opt out)

**School Code**  
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For more information, visit our website:  
[www.healthforkids.co.uk/hampshire/annual-nasal-flu-vaccination-programme/](http://www.healthforkids.co.uk/hampshire/annual-nasal-flu-vaccination-programme/)

## P.E Champions!

*This year, staff are becoming PE Champions to show that everyone can enjoy being active – in their own way!*

*We're each choosing a different sport or activity that we love, and sharing why it keeps us moving, feeling good, and having fun. From running to dancing, swimming to skipping – there are so many ways to stay active, and we want to help you find the one that makes you feel like a champion.*

*Being active doesn't have to mean being the fastest or strongest – it's about finding something you enjoy and making it part of your day.*

*So get ready to be inspired, try something new, and maybe even become a PE Champion yourself!*

*Be the champion of your favourite way to move!*

Running is one of my favourite ways to stay active. I love it because it keeps me fit and healthy, and it always lifts my mood. No matter what's going on, a run helps clear my mind, distract me from stress, and gets me feeling positive and ready to take on the day.

You can run solo when you need some headspace, or go with friends to make it more fun and motivating. It's flexible, and that's what makes it great.

One of the best things about running is that *anyone* can get into it. You don't need fancy equipment or a special place – just a pair of trainers and some motivation. Whether you're running fast, slow, long distance or just around the block, every step counts.

Personally, running has taken me on some amazing journeys – I've completed a half-marathon and taken on three triathlons (two sprint distance and one full distance). These challenges pushed me physically and mentally, and reminded me that with consistency and determination, we can achieve more than we think.

**Running is fun whatever the weather!**

***Miss Hayter***



## Weekly Awards

We are proud to celebrate the achievements of the following children:

### Friday 3rd October

<b>Beech</b>	Henry	For his fabulous focus and careful creation of snowflakes during an art lesson focused on "We're Going on a Bear Hunt".
<b>Chestnut</b>	Eddie	For showing amazing concentrating during art and for listening carefully and following instructions.
<b>Willow</b>	Skye	For demonstrating creativity when making circle shapes with her body in dance.
<b>Oak</b>	Olivia	For her excellent poetry during Poetry Morning, tackling haikus, cinquains, and using kennings creatively.

### Friday 17th October

<b>Beech</b>	Freddie	For settling into class routines and showing fabulous focus and achievement during phonics lessons.
<b>Chestnut</b>	Sara-Jane	For working hard to improved her writing, showing increased independence and initiative.
<b>Willow</b>	Freya	For super determination when using a formal method for subtraction with exchanging.
<b>Oak</b>	Eden	For her imaginative obituary in English, written for the English book: "Beowulf".

### Friday 24th October

	<b>Thorngate Award</b> <i>for continuing achievement</i>	<b>Bentley Award</b> <i>for displaying kindness and compassion</i>
<b>Beech</b>	Jesse	Primrose
<b>Chestnut</b>	Memphis	Noah
<b>Willow</b>	Fraser	Holly
<b>Oak</b>	Elijah	Edward

## House Points

### Individual House Point Winners

**W/C 29/09/2025**

Henry, India, Bailey, Lacie

**W/C 06/10/2025**

Freddie, Memphis, Holly, Eden

**W/C 13/10/2025**

Roman, Alfie, Thomas, Barney

**W/C 20/10/2025**

Jesse, Sara-Jane, Skye, Robyn

### October House Point Totals

**Singer** 556

**Budden** 466

**Pragnell** 478

## Thought for the Week

Next week is the Autumn Half Term and I hope that it will be a time for rest, recreation, restoration, and fun! This week we have been thinking about names. My name is James. This was the name of two of Jesus' friends. It is the name of several Kings of England and Scotland. It is a popular name and famous bearers of the name include the spy, James Bond, created by author Ian Fleming in 1953. Why not find out other people who have your name?

We can say thank you to God in prayer: *Thank you God that you make us all different, and that we all have different names. Thank you God that you know me and love me. Amen*

*Vicar James*



## In the Community



### Autumn at The Salisbury Museum

**Half Term Takeover**  
Our creative space is yours! Enjoy dressing up, building, crafts, and a cosy book corner — all with *Halloween* and *Landscape* themes. Open to all ages for stay-and-play fun!

**Discovery Day  
Imaging Landscapes  
Tuesday 28 October, 10-4**  
Inspired by the *Landscape Open* exhibition, design your own dream world collage and add your touch to our collaborative artwork!

**Under Fives Fridays**  
*Dinosaurs!*  
**Friday 14 November, 10-11.30**  
A roaring morning of prehistoric fun! Come and create your own dinosaur art inspired by the museum's fossil collection in our Natural History Gallery.

*Christmas Music Special!*  
**Friday 12 December, 10-11.30**  
Join musician Emily Askew for a joyful musical session for under-fives — with singing, dancing, and sleigh bells to celebrate Christmas at the museum!

No need to book.  
Included with standard museum admission.  
See website for further details:  
[salisburymuseum.org.uk](http://salisburymuseum.org.uk)



Café the SALISBURY  
museum



Ms Levoir's Art Academy

Presents

## Halloween

Art classes for 7 to 11 year olds this half term. All classes will be Halloween or seasonally themed. Expert Art tuition by qualified Primary school teacher and all materials provided.

Thursday 23rd October

Friday 24th October...**SOLD OUT**

Monday 27th October

Tuesday 27th October

Wednesday 28th October

Thursday 29th October

Friday 30th October

1 day £35, 2 days £65, 3 days £95, 4 days £125, 5 days £145.

10% sibling discount

WhatsApp 07801 800 640 or messenger to book. Follow us on fb for regular updates.

All at Old Sarum Community Centre, Pheasant Drive, SP4 6GH. 9 to 3pm.



Come and join our Forest School Stay and Play, every Wednesday during term time. Suitable for children aged 0-5. Only £2 per family.

[www.ecomontessori.co.uk](http://www.ecomontessori.co.uk)

## In the Community

# HOLIDAY CLUB



## WE

have a fantastic programme planned for the holidays at Norman Court, West Tytherley.

Please book early to avoid disappointment.

**We accept all CHILDCARE VOUCHERS**

Please bring a lunch box and snacks

Full Week £265

Full Day £56

Half Day £32

5% Sibling Discount

Please visit our website to book online via ClassForKids or contact us on:

[enquire@ecomontessori.co.uk](mailto:enquire@ecomontessori.co.uk)

Payment is required in advance of sessions.

## HOLIDAY CLUB DATES - 2025

(excluding Bank Holiday)

21st July - 29th August 2025

27th - 31st October 2025

16th - 20th February 2026

30th March - 20th April 2026

## TYPICAL STRUCTURE OF THE DAY

(For children aged 3-11)



8.00-9.30am Arrival, Breakfast and free play

9.30-10.30am Activity One

10.30-11.00am Snack Time

11.00-12.30pm Activity Two

12.30-2.00pm Lunch time and Adventure play

2.00-4.00pm Activity Three

4.00-5.00pm Free Play and snack

5.00-6.00pm Free play and Home time

For a full programme of activities, please see overleaf

**ALL STAFF HOLD ENHANCED DBS CHECKS**



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