

Newsletter

Dear Parents

I would like to take this opportunity to first welcome you all back after, what has been for many, a prolonged absence from school. Secondly, I would like to thank you for your amazing support, understanding and patience regarding the changes we have had to make to the school day.



The children have been extraordinary this week and have brilliantly adapted to the alterations we have had to make. They are a credit to their families, and as a school, we are proud of them all. We know that there will be more teething issues over the coming weeks, but we have every confidence that together we will overcome these.

One such issue that we need your support and help with is that of traffic. The outside of school at drop off and pick up times has traditionally been busy. However, with some families needing to wait on the opposite side of the road until their staggered time arrives and then cross over, we are concerned of the potential dangers that exist with other families also trying to park as close to the school as possible. I appreciate that this may feel as 'just another inconvenience' in an already challenging time, but if those who have to drive their children to school could make every effort to park away from Upper Grosvenor Road and Somerset Road we would be grateful.

Tony Head
Principal

Dates / Activities

Date	Activity
Wednesday 16 September 2020	Year 1 Superhero Day

School Lunches

From this term the cost of a school lunch will increase to £2.40 per day, £12.00 per week.

Payments need to be made online for school dinners. If you have not already registered for the on-line payment system a letter will be issued to you shortly. Guidelines can be found on the school website.



We do ask that payment for lunches is paid in advance i.e. pay on a Monday for any lunches required during the week.

Can we remind parents of children in Years R, 1 & 2 that school lunches are free for your child.

We are currently still only able to offer a packed lunch for school dinner and will update you as soon as hot meals are available.

Diary Dates for Autumn Term 2020
School: Portswood Primary

Week Beginning	Date	Event
31 August 2020	3 September 2020 4 September 2020 4 September 2020	INSET Day Term Starts Nursery children start
7 September 2020	8 September 2020 11 September 2020	Year R children start Newsletter
14 September 2020		
21 September 2020	25 September 2020	Newsletter
28 September 2020		
5 October 2020	8 October 2020 8 October 2020	School Photos – Individual Open session appointments begin for new Nursery Parents
12 October 2020		
19 October 2020	21 October 2020 23 October 2020	School Photos – Nursery and any Absentees Newsletter
26 October 2020	26-30 October 2020	Half term
2 November 2020	2 November 2020	INSET DAY
9 November 2020	9 November 2020	Appointments begin for new Year R Parents
16 November 2020	17 & 19 November 2020	Parents' Evenings
23 November 2020	25-27 November 2020 27 November 2020	Scholastics book fair Newsletter
30 November 2020	30 November 2020	Scholastics book fair
7 December 2020	8 December 2020 11 December 2020	Nursery January intake appointments Flu immunisations Year R – Year 6
14 December 2020	18 December 2020 18 December 2020	Newsletter End of Term

Diary Dates for Spring Term 2021
School: Portswood Primary

Week Beginning	Date	Event
4 January 2021	4 January 2021	Term Starts
11 January 2021		
18 January 2021	21 January 2021	Open session appointments begin for new Nursery Parents
25 January 2021	29 January 2021	Newsletter
1 February 2021		
8 February 2021		
15 February 2021	15 – 19 February 2021	Half Term
22 February 2021	26 February 2021	Newsletter
1 March 2021	5 March 2021	INSET DAY
8 March 2021	9 & 11 March 2021	Parents' Evenings
15 March 2021	18 March 2021	Nursery April intake appointments
22 March 2021		Newsletter
29 March 2021	1 April 2021	End of Term

Diary Dates for Summer Term 2021
School: Portswood Primary

Week Beginning	Date	Event
19 April 2021	19 April 2021 20 April 2021	INSET DAY Term starts
26 April 2021	29 April 2021 30 April 2021	Year 4 Swimming starts – 10 weeks Newsletter
3 May 2021	3 May 2021	Bank Holiday – School closed
10 May 2021	10-13 May 2021	KS2 SATs
17 May 2021		
24 May 2021	27 May 2021 28 May 2021	Newsletter INSET DAY
31 May 2021	31 May – 4 June 2021	Half term
7 June 2021	7-11 June 2021	Phonics screening check week
14 June 2021	17 June 2021	Year 1 & 5 - Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service
21 June 2021	25 June 2021	Newsletter
28 June 2021	2 July 2021	Reports to go home
5 July 2021		
12 July 2021	16 July 2021	Newsletter
19 July 2021	23 July 2021	End of Term