A message from Mr Applegate
Voting day is this Friday! See the poster in this newsletter to find out more.
Last week, some of our Year 5 pupils took part in a Basingstoke table tennis tournament at Aldworth. One of the boys teams reached the semi-finals and came 4th overall. The girls team reached the finals and won silver medals. All of the children worked incredibly well as a team, showed great resilience and great teamwork. Well done everyone 😊

I wanted to highlight the work of FOSM. We have an amazing group of volunteers, including a fantastic committee, who work so hard to raise much-needed funds and strengthen our community. **However, we desperately need more support or events just won’t happen.** If you could help on our committee, or just volunteer to help at some events, please do let us know. Email or phone the office. We would be really grateful. So far this year, we’ve spent the money FOSM raised on improving Year R play equipment, more and better books for our libraries, software to help us support children more, coaches for Y6 Residential Trip (FOSM always pay for this!), water bottles for Year R pupils (again, FOSM always buy these), IT equipment, art easels, and more. Our next spend is to improve playground activities. It really does pay for items that we need but can’t afford.

Thank you for all that you give, in so many ways.

Class Attendance
Well done to class 1H with 99.33% attendance and classes 3BE, 3SB & 6C who all achieved 100% 😊

**Star learners!**

**Well Done to:**
- Year R - Darcie, Reuben, Harriett
- Year 1 - Joshua, Evie, Annabelle
- Year 2 - Jack (2R), Rebecca, George H
- Year 3 - Ava, Trinity, Isabella
- Year 4 - Stanley, Scarlett, Milly
- Year 5 - Ava S, Daniel C, Mira
- Year 6 - Stanly, Leah, Luca L

School Cleaner Required
We are looking for a friendly, reliable and enthusiastic person to join our cleaning team.

Hours of work are 3.30pm – 5.30pm Monday to Friday. Please contact the school office for an application form or email adminoffice@st-markscofe.hants.sch.uk for more information.

Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant Required
We are looking for a friendly, reliable and enthusiastic person to join our lunchtime team.

Hours of work are 11.45am – 1.30pm Monday to Friday. You will be required to administer first aid, but training will be given. Please contact the school office for an application form or email adminoffice@st-markscofe.hants.sch.uk for more information.

Year 6 SATs Information Evening
An important meeting for all Year 6 parents and carers. Come along on **November 20th at 6:30-7:15pm** to find out more about the Year 6 SATs, what they entail, and how you can help your child in the coming months.

**Medicine in School**
Please note the School Office can only administer medicine if it has been prescribed by a GP and has your child’s name on the dispensing label. There is a form you will need to complete to enable the medicine to be administered during the school day, which can be obtained from the school office. We are unable to administer generic ibuprofen and paracetamol without a prescription, but you are welcome to come into the school to administer this medicine yourself should your child need it.
Autumn Term

**OCTOBER**
- 14th - Parents’ Eve Bookings Close
- 16th & 17th - Flu Immun. Yrs R-6
- 17th - Parent’s Evening 4-6pm
- 18th - FOSM Disco
- 21st - Parent’s Evening 4-6:30pm
- 22nd - Year 6 Height & Weight Measurement Programme
- 22nd - Year 6 Rumble in the Jungle project outcome 2pm

Parents invited
- 23rd - Parent’s Evening 5-7pm
- 25th - INSET day
- 28th - 1st Nov Half Term

**NOVEMBER**
- 4th – 8th Y6 PGL Residential
- 6th – Year R Autumn Born
- Children Height & Weight Programme
- 15th – FOSM Non-Uniform Day
- 20th – Year 6 SATS information evening 6.30-7.15pm
- 30th – Sat – FOSM Christmas Fair

**DECEMBER**
- 19th - Christmas Lunch
- 20th - School finishes, 3:20pm

CHRISTMAS!

**BOOKING TICKETS**
- Nov 5th - Ticket Bookings Close for Year R
- Nov 8th - Ticket Bookings Close for Years 1&2
- Nov 12th - Ticket Bookings Close for Years 3-6
- Nov 14th – Yr R, 1, 2 Tickets returned
- Nov 20th – Yrs 3-6 Tickets returned

**PERFORMANCES - DECEMBER**
- Year R Nativity
  - Tues 3rd - 10am
  - Weds 4th - 10am
- Year 1&2 Performance
  - Mon 9th – 10am
  - Tues 10th - 10am
  - Weds 11th - 2pm
- Years 3&4 Carol Service & Choir
  - Thurs 12th – 2pm
  - Mon 16th – 6:30pm
  - Tues 17th – 2pm
- Years 5&6 Carol Service & Choir
  - Fri 13th – 2pm
  - Mon 16th – 2pm
  - Tues 17th – 6:30pm

Spring and Summer Term

**INSET DAYS**
- Friday 25th Oct 2019
- Monday 6th Jan 2020
- Friday 3rd Apr 2020
- Monday 1st Jun 2020

**February Parents’ Evenings**
- Feb 11th – 4-6pm
- Feb 13th – 4-6:30pm
- Feb 26th – 5-7pm

**Year 6 Bikeability**
- Week of 2nd March

- Year 3/4 Easter Performance
  - Mar 26th – 2pm
  - Mar 30th – 2pm
  - Mar 31st - 6:30pm

- **Year 6 SATS Week**
  - W/B 11th May – No absences!
  - Sun 10am
  - Sun 2pm

- Summer Term
  - Monday 6th Jan 2020
  - Friday 12th June
  - Y6 Photos – 17th June
  - Y6 Production- 14th July 7pm
  - 15th July 2pm and 7pm
  - 17th July – Y6 Leavers Disco
  - 22nd July Y6 Leavers Service

**Upcoming FoSM Events**

**Autumn Term:**
- 18th Oct – Disco
- 15th Nov – FoSM Non-Uniform day
  (Donations for Christmas Fayre and Christmas Jumper Swap)
- 27th Nov- Bags to School

**Spring Term:**
- 20th Jan – World Book Day costumes
drop off (details to follow)
- 31st Jan – World Book Day Costume Swap (details to follow)
- 7th Feb – School Disco
- 13th Mar- Cake Sale
- 28th Mar- Easter Egg Hunt

**Summer Term:**
- 15th May – School Disco
- 19th Jun- Non-Uniform Day (Donations for Summer Fun Day)
- 27th Jun- FoSM Summer Fun Day

**Our new FOSM logo, designed by Jacob’s mum in Y2. We love it! Thank you 😊**
We are excited to confirm that we are taking part in the Aldi’s Kit for Schools promotion for a chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for our school. If you or your friends or relatives shop at Aldi and would like to pass on your stickers to us we would be delighted to receive them.

Thank you for your support.

**Applying for a school place in Reception**

If your child was born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 and you are looking for a Reception school place for September 2020, you are welcome to come along to one of our school tours. The tour will last approximately one hour.

Please telephone the school on 01256 346111 to book your place.

Please note that some dates may be full.

1. Weds 16th Oct 10:30am
2. Mon 11th Nov 7pm
3. Tues 12th Nov 2pm
4. Fri 22nd Nov 10:30am

**After School Care Club – Until 6pm**

*Available now!*

[www.stmarksprimary.net/scl](http://www.stmarksprimary.net/scl)

SCL do a variety of fun activities including the following:

- Bug Hunts, Arts & Crafts, Lego Building, Pizza Bagel Night, Slime Making, Reading, Board Games/Focus Games, Healthy Snack, Outdoor Play, Structured and Free Play, Trains/Cars, Card Games

To book your child’s place, please visit [www.wearescl.co.uk](http://www.wearescl.co.uk)

**Christmas Jumper Swap**

FoSM have asked if your child has any Christmas Jumpers they no longer require or have outgrown, please donate them to FoSM on 15th November. They will then have a stall at the Christmas Fayre where you can buy children’s Christmas Jumpers.

Thank you 😊

**After-School Clubs**

Due to Parents’ Evenings, the following clubs will be cancelled:

- **Thursday 17th October:**
  - Young Futurist Technology Club

- **Monday 21st October:**
  - KS1 Choir
  - Homework Club
  - Netball

Please note all other clubs will continue as usual

**Christmas Performance Tickets**

Please use the following links to book your tickets:

- **Year R** – [www.stmarksprimary.net/yearRchristmas](http://www.stmarksprimary.net/yearRchristmas)
- **Years 1 & 2** – [www.stmarksprimary.net/1and2christmas](http://www.stmarksprimary.net/1and2christmas)
- **Years 3 & 4** – [www.stmarksprimary.net/3and4christmas](http://www.stmarksprimary.net/3and4christmas)
- **Years 5 & 6** – [www.stmarksprimary.net/5and6christmas](http://www.stmarksprimary.net/5and6christmas)

**Hire Our Facilities!**

Great Spaces, Excellent Rates

[www.stmarksprimary.net/hire](http://www.stmarksprimary.net/hire)
To raise awareness of diabetes, we’re celebrating World Diabetes Day on 14th Nov. Soon, we’ll be sending home a blue circle, for you to be creative with. More information to come!

Governor Profile – Nicola Ledington

I have lived in Hatch Warren all my life and am very well acquainted with the area. I joined as a foundation governor in 2019, having been asked by Immanuel church where I attend with my children.

I felt that the opportunity to be part of a local governing body would be a good way to help the pupils and the teachers at the school. I am very keen to make the curriculum rich and inviting for everyone and for children to make good progress towards their next stages.

I work at a local preschool during school hours and occasionally work at weekends at a local theatre. My preschool job provides me with an insight in the early years framework which forms the basis of Year R’s assessment. I understand that the first few years at school are incredibly important and as a governor this is something I am truly passionate about.

Outside of work I have a young family and love spending my time with them both at home as well as going on day trips. I enjoy quizzes and have a strong knowledge of Disney films. I have recently completed the couch to 5k and try to get out running in local areas as well as a parkrun over the weekends.