



## Parents' Evening

Now that the children have all settled into their new classes, we would like to invite you to one of our three parents' evenings. We use an on-line booking system which can be accessed at <http://www.parents-booking.co.uk/covejunior>

A letter will be sent home with your child with further details. Please use this opportunity to come and meet with your child's teacher and see the work which they have completed so far this term.

## Bug Club

A reminder that all children have access to our on-line reading platform 'Bug Club'. This site can be reached at:

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk>

If your child is experiencing problems, please do let us know so that we can help.

## Golden Ticket Winners

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Congratulations to the first winners of the academic year. Nathan, Leia, Lillia, Sofia and Kian were selected for their helpfulness, friendliness and excellent manners during lunchtimes. They were lovely company during our lunch together!



## DIARY DATES

Thur 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 5 & 6 Writer's Day at Fernhill Primary (selected children)
Thur 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	British Food Day Special school lunch menu
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Junior Road Safety Officer training day (selected pupils)
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parents' Evening 3:45-5:30pm
Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Festival
Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parents' Evening 5:00-7:00pm
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Open Afternoon for Year 2 parents (admissions for Sept 2018)
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parents' Evening 3:45-5:30pm
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	"Your Time to Shine" Day - road safety non-uniform day
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	PTA Disco (details to follow in a separate letter)
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct 3:25pm	Finish for half term holiday
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	INSET day
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Autumn 2 half term starts
Tues 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Open Evening for Year 2 parents (admissions for Sept 2018)
Tues 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Closing date for Year 7 applications
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Applications for Year 3 (Sept 2018) places open through Hampshire Admissions
Thur 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 6 National Young Mathematicians Award (selected pupils)
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	PTA Movie Night (details to follow)
Week beginning Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Anti-bullying Week National Parliament Week Book Fair
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov 7:00pm	School Shakespeare Festival Performance at Camberley Theatre
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Individual and sibling school photographs taken

## PTA News

It was unfortunate that very few parents were able to attend our PTA AGM. Please do get in touch with us if you are able to help out. Support for even one-off events is always welcomed.



## Harvest Festival

We will be holding our Annual Harvest Festival on Thursday 12th October. As before, we are asking the children to bring in food contributions which will be displayed in the hall during the assembly. After our celebration, the food will be taken by our local Vicar Esther. It will then be distributed between the St John's Food Cupboard and the St Christopher's Food Bank. The children can bring in tinned or packet foods from Monday onwards. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



## Words of the Fortnight!

To encourage our children to use a wider range of vocabulary, we set a challenge for the children which we hope you will join in with at home too. Every two weeks, a new word is introduced in each class and the children get rewards for using them in their writing or in conversation. Our new words are:

Lower School

**'Estimate'**

Verb - to roughly calculate or judge the value, number, quantity or extent of something

Year 5

**'Potential'**

Noun - your potential is your ability to achieve a particular level of success

Year 6

**'Brandished'**

Verb - wave something (especially a weapon) as a threat or in anger or excitement.

How often can you use these words at home?

## Election Results

Congratulations to the following children who were selected following our elections:

### School Council Representatives:

Comet - Sophie and Charlie

Merlin - Megan and Lucas

Raptor - Beau and Haydyn

Tornado - Harry and Isla

Vulcan - Lily-Mae and Harry

Concorde - Harley and Isobel

Eagle - Alexis and Sinai

Hawk - Jacob and Hana

Lancaster - Lillian and Richard

Hurricane - Koby and Bradan

Spitfire - Sam and Megan

### House Captains:

Thebes - Katie and Jacob

Corinth - Nosang and Izzy

Athens - Mitchell and Harriet

Sparta - Joe and Lillia

### Vice House Captains:

Thebes - Lillian

Corinth - Finley

Athens - Evie

Sparta - Frankie

## Year 5 Instrumental Lessons

This academic year, Year Five are fortunate enough to be having music lessons delivered externally from the Hampshire Music Service. Each class will spend a term learning how to play an instrument.

Hawk Class have begun the rotation and are learning to play the ukulele.

Much fun has been had learning the names of the different parts of the instrument as well as how to create a variety of sounds by plucking and strumming.



## Swimming Lessons

Based on observations over the last few years, we have decided to change when our children participate in swimming lessons. We are required to participate in lessons during Key Stage 2 and our Year 3 children have taken part during the Autumn term in previous years with additional lessons in Year 4 for those children who have not met the required standard. The stamina required to achieve this standard has meant that increasingly fewer of our younger children are meeting this level of swimming proficiency so we have decided to move lessons into Year 5 in the future.

As our current Year 5 children have already participated in lessons, we will not be running this activity during this academic year.

## Our 140<sup>th</sup> Birthday Year

As we start our 140<sup>th</sup> year of teaching at Cove Junior School, we were wondering if any of the adults in your family (or friends of the family) have any memories or photographs that they would be happy to share with us. Please contact the school office if you have memorabilia to share.

