



## Happy New Year!

Welcome back to a new year, new term and wintery weather! The children have settled back into school life very well after the excitement of the Christmas holiday. We have received many positive comments about the new arrangements for the beginning of the day and will continue to monitor this; the start of the day is now much calmer and more settled.

The children are enjoying their new topics and have lots of exciting events to look forward to. Lower School are learning all about the Romans in their topic 'Towns, Tribes and Togas' while Year 6 are learning about the 'Survival of the Fittest'.

## Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for your contributions on the last day of term. We raised £121.87 for Save the Children.

## DIARY DATES

Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Young Voices Choir performing at the O2 arena in London – Good Luck!
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan 4:00-6:00	Year 5 & 6 Futsal Festival at Samuel Cody – children will be notified if they have been selected
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan 9:00 – 5:00	Year 6 trip to the Natural History Museum
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Lower School Roman Workshop (Merlin, Raptor, Tornado)
Thur 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Lower School Roman Workshop (Comet & Vulcan)
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Fire Service visiting Year 5
Thur 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb 3:00-6:00	Year 5 & 6 Athletics tournament at Samuel Cody – children will be notified if they have been selected
Thur 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Individual school photos taken
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Finish for half term holiday
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	INSET DAY
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Children return to school
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Science trip – 'The Big Bang Fair'. Details to follow for selected children
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Parents' Evening – details to follow
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Parents' Evening – details to follow

## Winchester Science Museum Visit

Our Year 5 children really enjoyed their visit to Winchester this week which is linked to their topic 'Infinity and Beyond'. Touring space in the planetarium was a highlight. Thank you very much to our volunteers who accompanied us.



## Dogs in School

Just a polite reminder that pet dogs shouldn't be brought onto the school grounds. This is in line with Hampshire County Council guidelines.

# Shakespeare Festival

We have now received the professional photos which school purchased from this wonderful event. We hope they will inspire our Year 5 children to consider taking part in next year's production - watch out for the letter about this which will be sent home soon.



# Junk

Lower school will be making 3D sculptures in the Spring term. Could you please keep and send in, any chocolate tins or boxes (e.g. Heroes, Quality Street); other boxes or containers and any other interesting materials. The plastic insides of a chocolate orange box make excellent eyes!!