

Compton All Saints' C of E Primary

Friday 12th January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope it's not too late to say Happy New Year to you all! The celebrations already feel like a pretty distant memory but I hope you all had a great Christmas and New Year. I think I have seen most people face-to-face to say 'thank you' for the lovely cards and gifts I received but if not, please accept these thanks instead.



For staff, it was great to have the Christmas break with the Ofsted inspection done and dusted. We were very pleased with our report, which is positive and gives the school some clear pointers as to how to keep improving. Please see below for a message from our Chair of Governors, Rick Keith.

It was with a mixture of relief and some trepidation that we learned that our Ofsted inspection was due to take place on 13th December. This was a "short inspection", lasting just 1 day and it confirmed the school continues to be considered "good". However, it would be wrong to interpret that as "no change" since our last inspection 3 years ago. The inspector shared his conclusions with governors at the end of the assessment. We were pleased that the inspector recognised that the school has addressed recommended improvements in aspects of teaching, developed the role of subject leaders and built on some of the strengths identified in the last inspection. He also shared some very constructive recommendations on how we can continue to improve. Governors will be meeting in the coming weeks to determine how we can implement these recommendations most effectively. We will share our thoughts in due course, but if you haven't already read the Ofsted report on our website I'd urge you to do so. As ever, we would welcome any thoughts you have.

Classroom news



As usual, the term has started at a brisk pace, though having only two days in school last week was a gentle introduction that I think everyone appreciated. All four classes have launched their topics for the term and you should receive your curriculum letters today if you haven't had them already.

In Ladybirds and Hedgehogs, the topic is 'To Infinity and Beyond!' which obviously links to space exploration and our solar system. In Foxes class the topic is the Vikings and already the children have started making posters about Viking life and comparing the lives and legacies of two Anglo-Saxon kings. Falcons' topic this term is the

Ancient Greeks and to date they've researched different gods and goddesses and begun a timeline showing the development of the Greek empire.

The Spring term is a short one but is always appreciated by teachers as there's less disruption than in others. It's a good 'working' term, with consistent routines that help ensure all pupils can make the most of every learning opportunity. We shall continue with weekly sessions at Forest School for individual year groups; other key events include swimming for Foxes class, preparing for Mothering Sunday and Easter church services and starting preparations for Year 6 SATs. I'd also like to take this opportunity to welcome Jake Hiscock to Compton. He is a trainee teacher with the Winchester Teaching School Alliance and will be working with Miss Carter in Hedgehogs class for the next six weeks or so.

Dates for your diary

You have already been sent a list of dates for the forthcoming term but they are attached again here just in case. Please check the school calendar on our website too as all dates (and any changes) are regularly updated there.

A punctual start..

Can I ask all parents and carers of children in Ladybirds class to ensure that you arrive in time to settle children and leave again by 9am? We are very happy for you to spend time in the classroom with your child before school begins, but we do need everyone to be ready for the formal start to the school day at 9am.

A punctual start is important for all pupils of course and can I remind those with children in other classes to drop them at the door unless you specifically need to give a message to the class teacher? Thank you.

Finally, we are in the process of recruiting a replacement for Mrs de Zoysa whilst she is on maternity leave from Falcons class. Shortlisting has taken place and interviews are due to be held on 19th January. I will of course keep you posted!

I hope you all have a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

Allison Driver

Allison Driver





Diary Dates for Spring and Summer Terms 2018

Spring Term – 1st Half

FOXES CLASS – Swimming: On Mondays - 15th Jan – 26th March

(Excluding 12th February)

Mon 15 th January	Year R at Forest School (pm)
Thus 18 th January	NSPCC visit
Fri 19 th January	Fire Service visit to KS1
Mon 22 nd January	Year R at Forest School (pm)
Thu 25 th January	NSPCC Fundraising Day
Fri 26 th January	INSET DAY
Mon 29 th January	Year 5 at Forest School (pm)
Mon 5 th February	Year 5 at Forest School (pm) Start of Olympics week

Mon 12th February – Fri 16th February – Half Term

Spring Term – 2nd Half

Mon 19 th February	First day of term
	Year 1 at Forest school (pm)
Mon 26 th February	Year 1 at Forest school (pm) No Woodwind lessons today
Thurs 1 st March	World Book Day
Mon 5 th March	Year 2 at Forest school (pm)
Thurs 8 th March	School Disco
Sun 11 th March	Mothering Sunday Service in All Saints Church
Mon 12 th March	Year 2 at Forest school (pm)
Mon 19 th March	Year 6 at Forest School (pm)
Wed 21 st March	Parent Consultations (pm)
Thurs 22 nd March	School Photographer - Groups Photos (am) Parent Consultations (pm)
Fri 23 rd March	Sports Relief 2018
Mon 26 th March	Year 6 at Forest school (pm)
Thurs 29 th March	Church Assembly – 9.15am – Parents/Carers welcome Last day of term

Fri 30th March – Fri 13th April – Easter Holidays

Summer Term – 1st Half

Mon 16 th April	First day of term
	Year 4 at Forest School (pm)
Mon 23 rd April	Year 4 at Forest school (pm)
Mon 30 th April	Year 3 at Forest school (pm)
Mon 7 th May	School Closed – Bank Holiday

Mon 14 th – Thurs 17 th May	KS2 SATS week
Mon 14 th May	Year 3 at Forest School (pm)
Mon 21 st May	Year 5 at Forest School (pm)
Fri 25 th May	Last day of term

Mon 28th May – Fri 1st June – Half Term

Summer Term – 2nd Half

Mon 4 th June	First day of term Year 5 at Forest school (pm)
Mon 11 th June	Year R at Forest school (pm)
Mon 18 th June	Year R at Forest School (pm)
Fri 22 nd June	INSET DAY
Mon 25 th June	INSET DAY
Wed 27 th June	Year 6 Induction day at Kings' School
Thurs 28 th June	Sports Day
Mon 2 nd July	Whole school at Forest school
Tue 3 rd July	Reserve Sports Day
Thurs 19 th July	Y6 Leavers service in the school hall – Yr6 Parents welcome Y6 & Leavers BBQ – 6-8pm
Fri 20 th July	End of year service in All saints church –All welcome Last Day of Term for Children
Mon 23 rd July	INSET ½ Day – <u>No School for children</u>

INSET DAYS

Fri 26 th January 2018	INSET DAY
Fri 22 nd June 2018	INSET DAY
Mon 25 th June 2018	INSET DAY
Mon 23 rd July 2018	INSET ½ DAY – <u>No school for children.</u>

Please note that as a general rule our Celebration Assemblies run every Friday apart from the first Friday of each half term. Doors open at 2.45pm for a 3pm start.

Please check our website calendar for up-to date information.

HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS

2017 – 2018

Determined programme of school term and holiday dates for county and controlled schools for the academic year 2017/18

SEPTEMBER 2017						OCTOBER 2017						NOVEMBER 2017					
M		4*	11	18	25	M	2	9	16	23	30*	M	6	13	20	27	
T		5	12	19	26	T	3	10	17	24	31	T	7	14	21	28	
W		6	13	20	27	W	4	11	18	25	W	1	8	15	22	29	
T		7	14	21	28	T	5	12	19	26	T	2	9	16	23	30	
F	1	8	15	22	29	F	6	13	20#	27	F	3	10	17	24		
S	2	9	16	23	30	S	7	14	21	28	S	4	11	18	25		
S	3	10	17	24		S	1	8	15	22	29	S	5	12	19	26	

DECEMBER 2017						JANUARY 2018						FEBRUARY 2018					
M		4	11	18	25	M	1	8	15	22	29	M	5	12	19*	26	
T		5	12	19	26	T	2	9	16	23	30	T	6	13	20	27	
W		6	13	20	27	W	3	10	17	24	31	W	7	14	21	28	
T		7	14	21#	28	T	4*	11	18	25	T	1	8	15	22		
F	1	8	15	22	29	F	5	12	19	26	F	2	9#	16	23		
S	2	9	16	23	30	S	6	13	20	27	S	3	10	17	24		
S	3	10	17	24	31	S	7	14	21	28	S	4	11	18	25		

MARCH 2018						APRIL 2018						MAY 2018						
M		5	12	19	26	M		2	9	16*	23	30	M		7	14	21	28
T		6	13	20	27	T		3	10	17	24	T	1	8	15	22	29	
W		7	14	21	28	W		4	11	18	25	W	2	9	16	23	30	
T	1	8	15	22	29#	T		5	12	19	26	T	3	10	17	24	31	
F	2	9	16	23	30	F		6	13	20	27	F	4	11	18	25#		
S	3	10	17	24	31	S		7	14	21	28	S	5	12	19	26		
S	4	11	18	25		S	1	8	15	22	29	S	6	13	20	27		

JUNE 2018						JULY 2018						AUGUST 2018					
M		4*	11	18	25	M	2	9	16	23#	30	M		6	13	20	27
T		5	12	19	26	T	3	10	17	24	31	T		7	14	21	28
W		6	13	20	27	W	4	11	18	25	W	1	8	15	22	29	
T		7	14	21	28	T	5	12	19	26	T	2	9	16	23	30	
F	1	8	15	22	29	F	6	13	20	27	F	3	10	17	24	31	
S	2	9	16	23	30	S		7	14	21	28	S	4	11	18	25	
S	3	10	17	24		S	1	8	15	22	29	S	5	12	19	26	