



# NEWSLETTER

17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021

## A New Term

Welcome back to the start of a new school year. It has been wonderful to see the children so happy, enjoying being with their friends and focusing on their learning. Our new Year R children have settled incredibly well into life at Wickham Primary School and we have also welcomed a number of children who have joined us in other year groups.

As you are aware we have moved away from many of the restrictions we had in place last year and the children have enjoyed returning to more normal routines such as eating in the lunch hall, mixing with their friends at break and lunch time and gathering for worship in the hall. The children have impressed us with their ability to adapt to these new routines. To be together as one again has been fantastic.

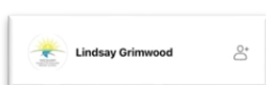
## Harvest Festival

St Peter and St Paul's Church in Fareham are hosting a Harvest Festival on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September at Knowle Community Centre. It will start at 3pm with children's activities and a Harvest Thanksgiving at 4pm, followed by tea and cake at 4.30pm. Any non-perishable goods will be donated locally. If you would like more information please contact: [stpandpchurchwarden@gmail.com](mailto:stpandpchurchwarden@gmail.com).



## Facebook

As many of you are aware, we have an official Facebook profile and Facebook parents' group. We continue to use the school newsletter and email as our main source of sharing information, as not everyone uses social media, but we know that some of you find the profile and parents' group a useful source of information.



Please be aware that although the schools' profile is registered in the name of 'Lindsay Grimwood', it does not necessarily mean that Mrs Grimwood, our senior admin officer, has written the responses or comment. Any member of the admin or senior leadership team may be using the account.



If you would like to join the parents' group please enter the following address into any web browser: [www.facebook.com/groups/wickhamceprimary](https://www.facebook.com/groups/wickhamceprimary)

## Starting School September 2022



We are delighted to be able to offer family tours in October for those families who have children starting next year. If you have a child who is four years-old or will turn four before 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 they will start school in September 2022. Applications open on the 1<sup>st</sup> November and the closing date is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

## Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisory assistant to join our friendly team in supervising our children during lunchtime play. If you are interested please contact the school office for details.

## COVID 19

Please be reminded that:

- If your child develops Covid-19 symptoms at home, they should stay at home and you should book a PCR test for them. **Lateral flow tests should not to be used for an individual who is showing symptoms.**
- If your child develops Covid-19 symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test as soon as possible.

## Key Information and Reminders

- Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle to school each day. The children can be very active at break and lunch times and, with the warm weather, they can become dehydrated. Water bottles can be purchased from school at the cost of £1.
- We are looking for donations of toys such as cars and action figures. If you have any that your child/ren no longer play with, please bring them into the school office.
- Otters and Kingfishers Class - payments for the Butser Farm trip are due today. Please make your payment online through Scopay.

- Please be aware that Key Stage 2 children are not provided with a snack through the government's fruit and vegetable scheme and therefore those children in Year 3 and above will need to bring their own healthy snack in each day.

## Dates for your Diary

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – INSET day