

Friday Flyer

12th December 2025



Things to look forward to!

Monday 15th December at 2pm: Whole School Nativity performance at St Mary's Church

Thursday 18th December: Christmas Party for the children after school
Please pay at the office

Friday 19th December: School finishes at 3.15pm for the Christmas break

Monday 5th January: School opens for the Spring term



INSET dates for this year- we like to give you plenty of warning so you can prepare!

Friday 13th February: Gosport and Fareham Common Day Closure

Friday 26th June: Transition and next steps



To Our Lovely Grange Families,

Welcome to this week's flyer ; it's hard to believe we are nearly half way through December already!

The festive vibe is definitely here and classrooms are starting to sparkle and shine. The 28th November saw our annual Christmas decoration afternoon and we all agreed what an exciting and fun afternoon it was, with trails of glitter, sequins, snippets of wool and sparkles brightening every classroom! Thank you for your support. The hall looks amazing and a huge thank you must go to the staff who gave their time after school last Thursday to put up the tree, hang many baubles, string up lights and set up the Nativity. The children were so excited when they came into assembly the next morning and saw that Christmas had definitely arrived.

Yesterday, the whole school took part in our dress rehearsal of 'A Little Bird Told Me', singing their hearts out and waiting so patiently whilst we got the actors in the right places trying to ensure they didn't trip over microphones, a Christmas tree and each other! I was so proud of all of the children and church staff who came to watch commented on how well behaved all of the children were. Thankfully they didn't seem to mind the trail of tinsel and white fluff we left behind!

We have a busy week ahead of us with our whole school performance on Monday at St Mary's church. We can't wait to share our Nativity with you and know you will love every moment! Space at the church is a premium, so we are asking for all families to be mindful of numbers attending and are asking you to keep this to 2 per family.

Once again, we are running our Christmas raffle which we know our families love. So many of you generously donated some fantastic prizes and of course, chocolate and we are happy to take any other treats and donations on Monday and Tuesday next week. Every little counts!

Wishing you all a peaceful and restful weekend. As always, my door is open so please let me or the amazing office team know if there is anything we can do to help. We are always here for you!

Miss Myers



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PE Days for the Autumn 2 Term 2025



Here are the PE Days for this first half term:

Year R

Sparrows: MONDAY

Starlings: TUESDAY

Year 1

Chaffinches/Robins

WEDNESDAY

(full PE kit)

Year 2

Owls/Blackbirds

MONDAY - PE (full PE kit)

Please can you make sure all jewellery is removed as part of our health and safety guidance.

It is always good practice to name all items of clothing too!

We would ask that PE kits consist of black shorts or trackies when it is colder and a plain white t-shirt.

School jumpers or cardigans can be worn so please avoid hoodies or other sweatshirts.

We encourage the children to wear black plimsolls or plain black trainers.

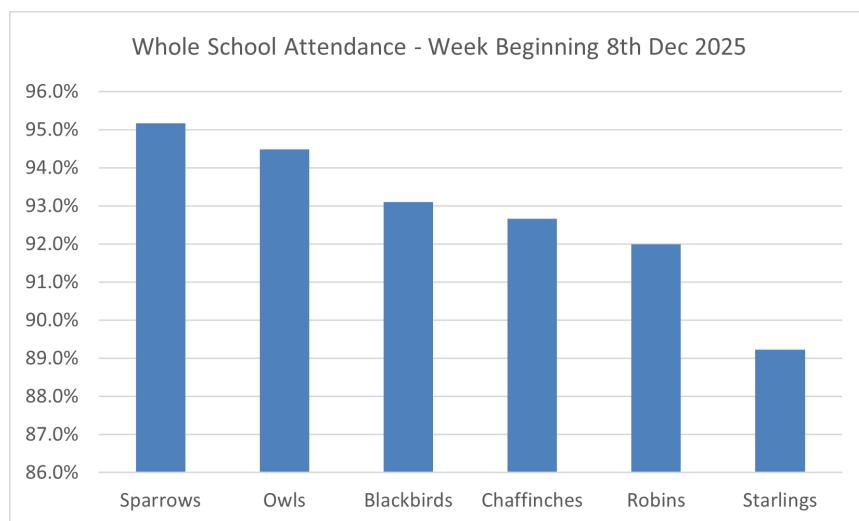


Each week, attendance is tracked across the school and on a Friday the class with highest attendance for that week, gets a certificate.

At the end of each term, we look at who has had the best attendance overall and that class gets to choose an item for their class such as a new game.

**This week the winners are:
Sparrows with 95.2%**

Congratulations and well done for your great attendance this week.



Don't forget, the more you're in school, the more learning you can do!

As a school, we have a responsibility and a duty of care to ensure that children attend school regularly and that attendance is good.

Where attendance drops, we will make contact with parents and carers and work with you to get attendance back on track. Please also note that we will request evidence such as text/email/letter confirmation from the medical practice for ALL appointments taken during school hours.

PERSISTENT LATES

Sometimes, things don't go right, and we appreciate that and always endeavour to be sensitive and understanding. However **the amount of children who are being persistently late is not acceptable**. Please make every effort to be organised and get your children to school, on time, between 8.45-8.55am.

Reporting School Absence

If your child is going to be absent for any reason, please can you make sure you phone this through into the school office. A message can also be left on the absence line (option 2) if there is no one to answer the phone, or you are calling out of hours.

Whilst we love Class Dojo and all that it offers, please can we ask that parents do **not** use the messaging service to report absence. Thank you!

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Christmas Decoration Afternoon

A big thank you to those of you who attended our annual Christmas decoration afternoon.

The children absolutely loved having family members in the classroom, being creative and chatting across the tables.

I love moments like these, seeing so many happy faces and listening to the children interact with all the adults.

It was lovely to see so many younger siblings too!



Autumn Respect Award

We had a great morning meeting the Mayor of Gosport this week for the Autumn Respect Award. Congratulations to the 6 children who have been recognised for their commitment to our School Values and for proving to be model citizens.

We are so proud of you all!





Christmas time at Grange Infants

The big day is fast approaching, and we are so excited to share the run up to Christmas with all of our families. We are delighted to be able to invite the children to purchase a **Festive Party Pass** for the parties 18th December which includes:

- * School disco
- * A homemade Christmas biscuit and a drink
- * Christmas art & crafts

Key Christmas Dates for your Calendars

Friday 28th November—Christmas Decoration Making Workshop

Parents are very welcome to come along and join in with the crafty fun at 2pm!

Friday 12th December—Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

Wear a Christmas jumper to school in exchange for a chocolate donation for our Christmas Raffle. Christmas dinner for all children!

Monday 15th December—Christmas Performance

Whole School at 2pm in St Marys Church

Thursday 18th December—Christmas Parties 3.15pm—4.45pm

Please complete the returns forms with the £6.00 and return to the school

Please complete the returns slip and make your payment at the school office.

Additional raffle tickets can be purchased at £1 per strip of 5 tickets.

Please ask for a replacement letter if you have misplaced your copy.

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New for the New Year!

Change in Caterers - Chartwells

Yesterday afternoon we emailed all families to inform of the change in our Catering suppliers.

Our new caterers from January will be Chartwells.

The kitchen ladies will remain the same, so the children will see the same familiar friendly faces.

Please take some time to sit with your child over the Christmas break to familiarise them with the new menus. As before, there will be 3 menus which will rotate. We will be beginning with Week 1.

If your child follows a special diet menu, you will have been provided with a copy of this yesterday. Kindly indicate what options are suitable for your child and return as promptly as possible to allow our kitchen team sufficient time to organise the admin and ensure we are catering safely and accordingly.



Arbor

Arbor Parent Portal

Emails are coming home today with instructions on how to set up your Arbor account.

We already use Arbor as our secure MIS system and for sending emails. Inviting parents to use the parent portal will really help with streamlining the amount of platforms we use.

We know that the juniors already use this method of communication and we have made the decision that we will also be moving to Arbor's In-App messaging platform as our main means of communication.

This will be to REPLACE text messages. Class Dojo will continue to be used.

We will notify all families when we are 'switching off' text messages.

We strongly advise ALL parents to create their Arbor account to avoid missing out on important information. You will be able to access your account via the Arbor App or sign in online via web browser (App is recommended so you receive push notifications).

Any questions, please ask at the office.



Wow and Proud

Congratulations

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Sparrows

Wow Writer is **Lily** for making so much progress with her pencil control!

Proud Pot is **Albie** for being a superstar in phonics!



Starlings

Wow Writer is **Rayshawn** for persevering with writing his name!

Proud Pot is **Ava-Louise** for reading CVC words!



Chaffinches

Wow Writer is **Harriet** for using her sounds in her letter to Santa!

Proud Pot is **Curtis** for completing rainbow jobs during rainbow time!



Robins

Wow Writer is **Adam** for independent writing showing great resilience!

Proud Pot is **Caitlyn** for working so hard to follow our Grange values this week! Well done Caitlyn!



Blackbirds

Wow Writer is **Eliza** for a super effort with her finger spaces!

Proud Pot is **Theo** for a great effort in Maths with blank number lines!



Owls

Wow Writer is **Hunter** for working so hard and writing an amazing diary as Florence Nightingale!

Proud Pot is **Ella** for how amazing she has been playing Robin in our nativity!