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Autumn Term 2026 Newsletter 2

Dear Parents and Carers

The children have settled back incredibly well and have adapted to school routines and protocols beautifully. It has been a joy to see everyone's smiley faces and to see how happy they are to be back.

Class Meetings

Just a reminder that today, the class teachers of **Emeralds** Class will be holding a meeting for the parents of children to explain about the class routines, expectations and information about any statutory tests or assessments that your child will be taking during the year. The meeting for parents in **Sapphires** will be on **Monday 28th September** and **Diamonds** Class will be on **Wednesday 30th September**.

PE Lessons

I'm very pleased to inform you that from this week, the number of PE sessions for every class will resume to 2 sessions a week, as was the case last term. Government funding changes at the end of last term have meant that PE is now taught by teaching staff. This combined with timetabling implications, has meant that we have only now managed to resolve this issue.

Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kits on these days.

Emeralds – Wednesdays & Fridays

Pearls – Mondays & Wednesdays

Sapphires – Wednesdays and Fridays

Diamonds – Mondays and an additional PE day will be confirmed after half term

Year 6 Bikeability

Our Year 6 children will be taking part in Bikeability on 9th and 12th October during which they will be taught to ride their bikes safely on the roads.

Pirate Ship

No doubt, your children have shared the exciting news that our long-awaited Pirate Ship has been built at the end of our meadow! This was an idea that the children voted for back in 2024 and have been involved in fund raising for it ever since. This structure will add to our existing timber trail and enable playtimes to be more active, creative and enjoyable.

Harvest Festival on Tuesday 6th October at 9.30am at St. Mary's Church, Buriton

All children will be involved in our Harvest Festival celebration to which you are warmly invited at 9.30am at St. Mary's Church on Tuesday 6th October. As part of our Harvest celebrations your child will be asked to bring in either fruit, vegetables, tinned or packets of food. Perishable foods will be raffled in our Harvest Hamper Raffle on Tuesday 6th October. Raffle tickets for Harvest Hampers will be available for children to buy in their classes on this day for 50p. The money raised will be donated to the local food bank along with tinned and non-perishable food.

Jewellery

Jewellery should not be worn to school apart from stud earrings in pierced ears. For safety reasons these should be removed for P.E. lessons or please provide your child with suitable micro-pore tape for them to use over their studs. Sensible watches may be worn. The wearing of nail varnish is not permitted in school.

Medicines in school

If your child requires medicine of any nature (including cough sweets), parents must complete a medicine form at the front office and all medicines must be given to staff.

Parents' Evenings on October 20th and 22nd

Later this half term you will have the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher during Parents' Evenings which will take place on either 20th or 22nd October after school. A letter containing further details will be sent out nearer the time.

Important Dates – all on the website and on the calendar

All important dates can be found under the 'News and Events' tab on our website in the 'Calendar' section.

Individual and sibling photographs – 3rd November

After half term, the school photographer will be taking individual and sibling photographs.

Half term takes place on **26th Oct – 30th October** and the end of term will be on **Friday 18th December at 1.00pm**. The Spring term starts for the children on Monday 4th January 2026. There are no plans for INSET Days this term. When dates are confirmed in the Spring and Summer terms, we will let you know as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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