



LANGSTONE INFANT SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Message from our Headteacher

I am writing today to let you know that I will be leaving Langstone Infants after 11 years of happy Headship. I am sad to be leaving but excited to begin a new role in West Sussex. My last day with the children will be Friday 18th February.

After half term, Mrs Bush, Headteacher of Langstone Junior Academy will work with Mrs Marshman our current Deputy Headteacher to lead the school for the remainder of the Academic year.

I have enjoyed my time at Langstone very much and will miss parents, pupils, staff and the wider community that have supported me over the years.

Best wishes to you all for the future, I will keep an eye on the news section on the website to see all the exciting things the children will continue to do.

Kind regards

Miss Page

COVID – Face Coverings

With the continuing very high levels of Covid infections we are now strongly advising parents to wear a face covering whilst in the playground, especially if you want to speak to a member of staff who will always be wearing a face covering.

Reminder - Keep Zigzag Markings Clear

If you use a car for the school run, please park considerately and safely outside our school, avoiding areas with zigzag markings. Measures like these help to make roads around our school safer for everyone, particularly children whose awareness and level of road sense is still developing. The current increase in parents stopping on the zig zags is not only illegal but more importantly is upsetting other parents who want the walk to school to be a safe one.

The council paints zigzag 'no stopping' lines outside school entrances to provide a clear space for children to cross where they can see traffic and traffic can see them, without parked vehicles blocking their view. Parking on zigzag lines forces children to cross between parked cars. Crossing from behind parked cars is the most common contributory factor in child pedestrian casualties.

For this reason, community wardens, police community support officers, traffic wardens and the police themselves are all involved in a city-wide initiative to tackle the dangerous practice of parking over zigzag lines. Civil enforcement officers, or traffic wardens, can issue on the spot fines if they find anyone waiting or parking on school zigzag markings, as this is forbidden by law. If you see anyone parking on the zigzags please report it direct to the council - <https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/all-tasks/report/>

Year 1 Trip – Thursday 13th January

Year 1 will be visiting the Winchester Science Centre & Planetarium on Thursday 13th January. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time as the coaches cannot wait for late comers. The children will all need a packed lunch including a drink in a small named rucksack or lunch box. A small number of parents ordered a school packed lunch and have been sent a separate ParentMail earlier today.

Sleep Training Course

Portsmouth Parent Voice are running an online course to support parents whose children struggle to sleep. There are two 90 minute sessions - you must attend both. Parents who attend both sessions will have the opportunity to have a 1:1 individual consultation paid for by Portsmouth Parent Voice (normal cost £50)

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sleep-training-course-for-parent-carers-with-children-0-10-years-tickets-239127425567>

Sleep Training Course For Parent Carers With Children 0-10 years

Join Nickie Sutton, experienced sleep practitioner and trainer, for sessions to learn more about sleep for children 0-10 years.

www.eventbrite.com

Dates for the Diary

Thursday 13th January – Year 1 Trip

Wednesday 2nd February – Year 2 Trip (Classes 7 & 8)

Thursday 3rd February – Year 2 Trip (Class 9)

14th, 15th & 16th February – Screening of Year R by School Nursing Service

19th – 27th February (Spring Half Term Holiday)

9th – 24th April (Easter Holiday)

Monday 2nd May – Bank Holiday (school closed)

Tuesday 3rd May – Holiday in lieu of Queen's Platinum Jubilee (school closed)

28th May – 5th June (Summer Half Term Holiday)

Monday 6th June – **INSET Day**

Friday 1st July – **INSET Day**

Friday 22nd July – Last day of Summer Term