

# NEWSLETTER

Current Attendance  
97.5%

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## Stars of the Week Hall of Fame



Friday 20th May 2016

6P Liam Hodgson  
6C Emma Geddes  
6S Libby Hall  
5CH Zack Vicary  
5S Lucas Hewstone  
5C Charlie Medler-Simmons  
4P Oscar Ithier  
4T Finley Crockford  
4CK Millie Page  
3RS Noah Payne  
3S Cecelia Robertson  
3V Sonny Farrell  
Mid-day Matthew Watts

## Headteacher's Holiday Homework

As usual, I am setting a holiday challenge which the children may attempt if they have time over the half term break or during the 1st week back. From September we will be providing all the pupils with a 'Pupil Passport' for the year (rather than every term). This will be commercially printed and be full of valuable information for use every day at school such as reading advice, spellings, maths top tips, how to stay safe online, etc. It will have a diary for the year within it, space to record reading and other information about the school and home learning. The staff are busy creating the pages to go inside **but we need a front cover!**

**Can you design a front cover on a sheet of A4 paper by Friday 10th**

**June?**

It needs to have the title 'Pupil Passport 2016-2017' and be clear for people to see. You may choose to bring out a 'passport' theme for your illustrations or draw out the special parts of our school. Alternatively, you may come up with your own fantastic idea.

Please hand your designs back to your class teacher by 10th June and the winning design will be announced in a whole school assembly.



## Mersea Island visit

Year 5 went to the youth camp on Mersea Island this week for their annual three-day residential visit full of fun, activity, trying new challenges and building life skills. During the visit, each group participated in activities such as the aerial runway, adventure course, climbing and caving. Many children exceeded their own expectations of what they could achieve, leading to a real sense of fulfilment. The children enjoyed sharing tents with their friends, although not much sleep seemed to be had! There was a positive buzz throughout the trip and the children are to be commended on their good behaviour. A full report can be found on the website in *Teaching and Learning > Year 5 > Mersea Island residential visit*



## House Points Weekly Champions

Pegasus were Week 6 Champions—congratulations!

Weekly Totals so far:

Griffin 1  
Phoenix 2  
Pegasus 2  
Dragon 1



## Other Key dates

**Fri 27th May** Non-Pupil Day 5

**30th May—3rd June** HALF TERM

**Mon 6th June** Y6 Isle of Wight Residential leave

**Fri 10th June** King/Queen dress up day (smart clothes and a homemade crown are sufficient!) **AND** Home learning afternoon at 3pm

**Fri 17th June** Y6 IOW assembly 9.15am

**Thurs 23rd June** School Closed for Polling

**Thurs 7th July** 5:30-7:30pm Display Evening for both schools

**Mon 11th July** Sports Day (NEW DATE)

**Fri 15th July** Summer Fair 3:30pm-5:30pm

**Fri 22nd July** End of Summer Term

**Thurs 1st Sept** Back to school!



## Successful Gymnast visits BFJS

On Wednesday 25th May, Commonwealth gold medal winning gymnast, Steve Frew visited the school. He led each class through a fitness circuit and finished with an extended assembly. This presentation involved a demonstration of his skills and Steve shared the wisdom of his experience too. He urged the pupils to aim high and then work hard every day in order to pursue their goals. Thank you to those who financially supported the event.



We have received some complaints from our neighbours regarding parking which obstructs access to their properties. Please be considerate and park appropriately so that we can build positive relationships within our community.

Barnes Farm Junior is keen to challenge any incidents of our pupils engaging in anti-social behaviour outside school as this reflects poorly on our good reputation. Please share any incidents with us and we will endeavour to follow it up.

