Sun Hill Junior School Newsletter

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"The cause of making the world a better place for children unites us all" - Liam Neeson.

Safer Internet Day

"Safer Internet day was on 11th February 2025. Last year, over 170 different countries celebrated this day. It's not only schools that participate in this event, lots of other people get involved too: the government, charities,

sports clubs, the police and even online app companies. We (the cyber ambassadors) have gathered information about this year's event. In assembly, we talked about scams and who you can speak to if you are anxious or scared about a scam that you've seen.



For example;

- s seems too good to be true
- C contacts you when you weren't expecting it, like in message or an email
- A asks for your personal information
- M money or to trade with you

Here are the people you can speak to about your worries online,

- Parents or carers
- Grandparents
- Aunties and uncles

- Sports club leaders
- Teachers and teaching assistants"

-The Cyber Ambassadors :)



Sponsored Read 2025

Today SHJS's Fundraising Ambassadors launched this years Sponsored Read. Students and staff were invited to come into school dressed as their favourite music artist.



"This year the Sponsored Read is raising funds for the refurbishment of our school Music and Drama room. Therefore, we decided on a music, magic and imagination theme. The Sponsored Read is 22 reading challenges for students to complete. The challenges are not just to read as much as possible (which is always encouraged) but to take time to vary what you read, where you read and who with.

Thank you for everyone's support today. We were so impressed by everyone's amazing outfits. We hope you enjoy taking part in the challenge!"

-Fundraising Ambassadors

SPONSORED READ 2025

Mamma Mia, here we go again! The Sponsored Read is Back For Good in 2025.

There Is Nothing Holding You Back! To inspire a passion for reading, all students, are invited to take part. All money raised will go to the Music and Drama Room Refurbishment Fund. Your sponsorship will help to provide resources for the refurbishment of the school music and drama room.

THFEB = 6TH MARCH

The SHJS Big Book of Kindness

Dear Students,

You are invited to take part in an exciting short story competition! The story should be one you would enjoy reading- the best story to write is one that comes from you.

Please write a story exploring the magic of an act of kindness and the impact kindness can have on our world.

The story should be all your own ideas. You get to imagine and create everything! You choose the characters, the setting and the plot, as long as, you include the theme of kindness. Your story will not be marked on spelling, punctuation or grammar but instead on your creativity. However, we would like to gently encourage you to try your best to produce a piece of writing you are proud of.

How will you structure your story? Where will your story start? Will there be a dramatic build up and a satisfying ending, or will there be an unexpected twist?

Think about your characters. What kind of person do you want your main character to be? What do they look like? What do they enjoy doing?

You can use words to paint a picture. Think about the details and descriptions you include of how the world in your story looks, sounds and feels. Let your imagination run wild!

Stories can be handwritten or typed, 500 words or less, should not include any personal details and should be appropriate for ages 7-11.

Your story will be judged on characterization, plot, originality, language and enjoyment. Everyone who submits a story will be in with a chance of winning prizes and house points. The story of the overall winner will be made into a real and fully illustrated book! The winner will get to take their book home to read and enjoy forever. Another copy of the winning story will also be added to our school library for everyone to appreciate.

Please submit your story to the school office on or before <u>Wednesday 26th</u> <u>February</u>. We cannot wait to see what you come up with!

Good Luck!

British Science Week Posters

Dear Students,

British Science Week is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths that will take place nationally between 7-16 March 2025! Please see <u>https://www.britishscienceweek.org/the-theme-for-</u> <u>2025-is-change-and-adapt/</u> for further information. Ms Terry was excited to announce the British Science Week poster competition to you this week!

You have been invited to create an A4 or A3 poster. As the theme for British Science Week 2025 is 'Change and Adapt' there are loads of STEM topics to be explored. You could create a poster showing how plants and animals adapt to changing seasons of surroundings, or how humans have adapted to changing technology. You could look at climate change and how we can adapt our behaviours to protect the environment, or your favourite science experiment and how it shows change. The more creative the interpretation of the theme, the better!

The posters will be judged on the following:

- Creativity in approach- An innovative angle on the content or creative interpretation of the theme- don't be afraid to think outside the box
- Content- Clear, accurate and informative details about a STEM topic
- Effective communication- Presented and communicated in an engaging way

Further information can be found at:

https://www.britishscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/poster-competition/

All posters will be judged by SHJS staff and the top 3 entries for each phase will receive numerous house points and be entered into the British Science Association competition. Please ensure all posters are submitted to the school office by 3pm on <u>Friday 7th March</u>.

Hampshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

Young persons photo competition 2025 Connections

Hampshire CAMHS are looking for creative photos that reflect connections, how we connect, who we connect with and the importance of connections. No faces permissible.

This competition is open to any young amateur photographer in Hampshire. Age categories: • Up to 12 years old • 13 to 18 years old

> Prizes in each category 1st Place £100 Amazon voucher 2nd Place £75 Amazon voucher 3rd Place £50 Amazon voucher

Submission date: Midnight on 8th September 2025 All submissions must be supplied with an entry form

Submission assumes permission to use to promote this project and possible inclusion in a book / exhibition exclusively

The entry form and details, along with our terms and conditions can be found on our website hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk None

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Paper copies of the entry form can be collected from the SHJS office if required. We would love to see your entries! Please email them to the school office!



As part of our World Book Day celebrations, SHJS will be holding another Children's Book Sale on Thursday 6th March. Last year the children loved this event and it was a great success! The sale will be open to all Sun Hill families from 3.30-4pm and we hope to see you there.

Books will be sold for a cash donation to raise funds for the refurbishment of our school music and drama room. If you have any good quality second hand children's books, appropriate for ages 6-12years, you would like to donate please drop them into the school office before Monday 3rd March.



SHJS Wraparound Care

Sun Hill Wraparound Care





Experimenting with structures at Sunrise Club

Please contact <u>extendedday@sunhill-jun.hants.sch.uk</u> regarding booking. All children aged 4-11 are welcome to attend!

All information regarding the school's extended day provision can be found on our website. <u>https://www.sunhilljs.net/_files/ugd/c73a4c_06939d76389</u>

<u>d4018a3531f1056229a48.pdf</u>





Carroll Centre Food Pantry (Winchester)

Location: Somers Close, Stanmore, Winchester SO22 4EJ Hours: Open Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri 9am - 12pm, and Thurs 3pm - 6pm Referral Process: Membership required; open to all residents. Members contribute E5 and receive at least £15 worth of fresh and store-cupboard groceries Contact: info@thecarrollcentre.org/foodpantry or call 01962 840 022

Winchester Basics Bank

Locations: Various locations in Winchester and Alresford Hours: Open Monday to Friday; exact hours vary by location Referral Process: New users can self-refer up to eight times per year. After that, they require a referral from a local agency or support worker Services: Offers emergency food and clothing Contact: winchesterbasicsbank.co.uk or call 01962 855774

Unit 12 Community Pantry (Winchester)

Location: Unit 12, Winnall, Winchester Hours: Open Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri and Sat 10am - 1pm, and Tues ôpm - 8pm Referral Process: Membership required; open to all residents. Members contribute E6 and receive at least E15 worth of fresh and store-cupboard groceries

Visit www.unit-12.org/community-food-pantry for more details

Wickham Community Pantry

Location: Wickham Community Centre Heurs: Open every Tuesday: please check with the pantry for current hours. Referral Process: For a £6 donation, shoppers receive bround £20 worth of fresh, frozen, and store-cupboard ingredient Contact: To find out more please call <u>01329 833668</u> or email wickhampantry@email.com

Meon Valley Food Bank (Serving Bishops Waltham) Location: Bishops Waltham, with services to surrounding areas. Hours: Typically open Wednesdays and Saturdays. Referral Process: Referrals are recommended, often coordinated through local agencies.

Contact: Call 07956 375447 or visit www.meonvalley.foodbank.co.uk

SHJS School Notices

<u>Support our School!</u>

- My Name Tags: Order name tags for your child's uniform, water bottles, coats and shoes is many different designs: Please visit <u>www.mynametags.com</u> and enter the code: 21102. FOSHJ will receive 24% of the order value
 - Easy fundraising <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/</u> just search for Friends of Sun Hill Junior School and every time you access your online shops through this website a donation is made to FOSHJ at no cost to you!
- You can now make a FOSHJ donation via SCOPAY. If you would like to support the Friends of SHJS and the school's Fundraising Ambassadors, you can now make a donation via the products section of your child's SCOPAY account. All and any donations are gratefully received! Thank you for your continued support.



The school will update families as soon as possible, but please note these dates are subject to change.

Friday 14th February- INSET DAY*

Monday 17th-Friday 21st February- Half Term*

Monday 24th February-Monday 24th March-Year 5 Swimming Sessions*

Wednesday 26th February- Short Story Competition Deadline*

Wednesday 26th February- Extended Parents Evening*

Thursday 27th February- Bag2School Fundraiser*

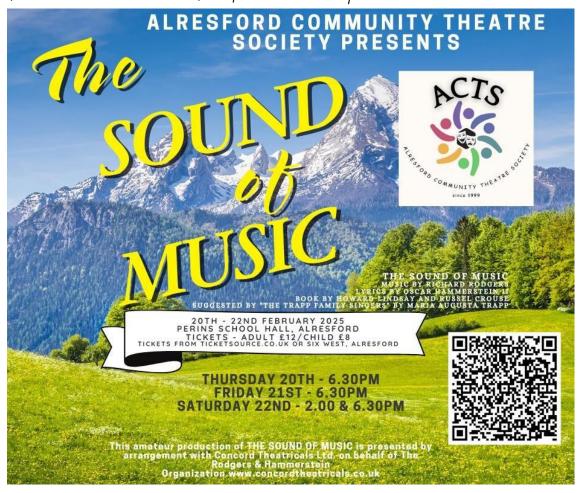
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Thursday 6th March- Sponsored Read Deadline* Friday 7th March- Lower School Paultons Park Trip* Friday 7th March- British Science Week Competition Deadline* Wc. Monday 10th March- Science Week Monday 10th March- Wonderdome Space Day* Wc. Monday 17th March- Neurodiversity Week Friday 21st March- Comic Relief Free Dress Day Thursday 3rd April- Easter Service at St. John's lead by Swans Class Monday 7th-Monday 21st April- Easter Holidays Tuesday 22nd April- INSET DAY Wednesday 23rd April- First Day of Summer Term Monday 12th May-Thursday 15th May- SATS Week Friday 16th May- Wellbeing Day Friday 23rd May- Sports Day Monday 26th-Friday 30th May- Half Term Thurs 5th, Fri 6th & Mon 9th June- Year 6 Bikeability Tuesday 10th June- Bag2School Year 6 Fundraiser Sunday 15th June- DUCK RACE Wc. Monday 23rd June- Year 6 Leavers Performance Week Friday 27th June- INSET DAY Monday 30th June- Friday 4th July- Year 6 Leavers Week* Wednesday 9th July- Transition Day Tuesday 22nd July- Last day of academic year (1pm finish) *a letter has been communicated about this event.

Academic year 2025/26**

Wednesday 3rd September- First Day of Autumn Term Monday 20th October- Friday 31st October- Half Term Friday 19th December- Last Day of Autumn Term Monday 5th January- First day of Spring Term Monday 16th February- Friday 20th February- Spring Half Term Friday 27th March- Last day of Spring Term Monday 30th March-Friday 10th April- Easter Holidays Monday 13th April- First Day of Spring Term Monday 4th May- Bank Holiday Monday 25th May- Friday 29th May- Summer Half Term Wednesday 22nd July- Last day of Summer Term

**Inset Days for the academic year 2025/26 will be confirmed by the school's board of trustees in due course. These will be shared will families as soon as possible.



Come and support your classmates as they star in The Sound of Music at Perins School this February halfterm. Join Jess, Martha, Ellie, Jemima and Joseph as the Von Trapp children, who have to learn to live with a new governess in their house and then escape the soldiers invading Austria during the Second World War. The show includes classic songs such as Do Re Mi, The Lonely Goatherd, Edelweiss and So Long, Farewell. It's going to be a great show!

Tickets available at ticketsource.co.uk, Six West in town or by scanning the QR code above. We hope to see lots of you there.



Hampshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

EMBRACING AUTISM

Three days that focus on skills and strategies, for parents, carers and professionals supporting an autistic young person. Hampshire CAMHS Colleagues will be hosting these days alongside parents / carers with lived experience.

Supporting your autistic child to thrive adapting to meet the needs of the autistic YP and practical strategies. Led by Dr Catherine Robson - Hampshire CAMHS.

Support for SEN in education & what to do if it's not working. Led by Gayle Moir, SENDIASS Services Manager. (not on 14 March)

Understanding autistic burnout, what it is, why it happens, why it's different to depression, recovery, safe spaces, and prevention. Led by Viv Dawes - Advocate/ trainer/author.

> Some events have a small charge to allow us to cover costs, some discretionary free tickets are available

For more information and to book a place go to www.hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/events/

9.30am - 3.30pm

Friday, 14 March, 2025 Proteus Creation Space, Council Road, Basingstoke RG21 3DH

Wednesday, 9 July, 2025 Waterlooville Community Centre, 10 Maurepas Way, Waterlooville, PO7 7AY

Friday, 14 November, 2025 St Peter Church Conference Centre, Jewry Street, Winchester, SO23 8RY

> Tickets £20 Tea and coffee included



Hampshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

HAMPSHIRE CAMHS INFORMATION & ADVICE SESSION

10am - 2pm

Wednesday, 5 March 2025 and then every first Wednesday of the month

The Arc, Jewry Street Winchester SO23 8SB

This is an opportunity to come and chat to our CAMHS clinicians, ask questions, get advice and resources.



hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk

Tennis at Four Marks Recreation Ground

Absolute Tennis is partnering with the Parish Council to offer tennis coaching at your recreation ground. Coaches are LTA qualified and have extensive experience in running fun, engaging sessions.

February Half Term Coaching

Sessions will be on Tuesday 18th & Wednesday 19th February. Click on the link to register, book and pay online.

Children aged 4-7

https://absolutetennis.classforkids.io/camp/121

Children aged 8-11

https://absolutetennis.classforkids.io/camp/122

Register your interest for term time / summer holiday coaching

We plan on starting regular junior and adult sessions on Tuesdays in term time in the summer term & summer holidays. If this is of interest to you please register your interest by emailing <u>martin@absolutetennis.co.uk</u> with yours / your child's details.

One of our amazing school volunteers is selling a DANEMANN Piano and was hoping that a SHJS family would give it a new loving home. £150 or near offer.

If you would like more information, please contact the school office.





Alton Concert Band



family concert



https://altonconcertband.co.uk/

Saturday 8 March 2025 at 4.00 pm

Alton Maltings, Maltings Close, ALTON Hampshire GU34 1DT

Admission - £10 for adults £5.00 for 12-17 year olds 11 & under - free admission

Scan QR code for tickets available from https://www.ticketsource.co.uk



