



Calmore Infant School

Autumn Newsletter 7– Friday 24th October 2025

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Dear Parents,

We have been learning about the Hindu festival of Diwali this week. Mrs Dushi has shared with us how she celebrates Diwali and so have children in our school. Diwali actually took place before half term, but with Harvest Festivals and holidays we have had a lot to fit in to two weeks. The children have enjoyed talking about fireworks, food and other fun.

Remembrance Day and Sale of Poppy Merchandise.

As you may have read in an email, we are selling poppies and the popular 'Poppy Slap Bands' at the Office. We will be thinking about the reasons that we wear a poppy and what it means to remember. Our Year 2 School Council Members will be laying a wreath at the memorial on Tuesday in Totton.



After School Clubs

The new half terms After School Clubs have started.

If you missed signing up for these and would like your child to join, please speak to the school office as there are a few spaces in some of the clubs.



Applying for a School Place– Year R and Year 3

Please remember that the online portal is now open for school application places for starting school in Year R or Year 3 in September. It is important to ensure that you enter your email address correctly as this is the email address that will be notified of your allocated school. Further information can be found on the starting school pages of Hampshire County Council website.



Financial Support

If you are aware of any grants or 'financial matching' from your place of employment, our FCIS would love to speak to you. Some workplaces offer match funding or other initiatives and we would be keen to be involved if this is possible. Please pop into the school office if you know of this or are able to help.

NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe

Year 2 have joined in with a workshop from the NSPCC to talk about 'Buddy Says it is Not Ok'.



NSPCC
Speak out. Stay safe.
programme

This safeguarding campaign aims to equip a generation of children with the knowledge they need to stay safe from abuse in all its forms.

The children also found out about Childline and even remembered the phone number.

Kitchen Vacancy

Due to retirement of the current post holder we have a vacancy for a General Kitchen Assistant for 2 hours a day. It is a busy but friendly kitchen at the heart of our school. Please see the attached advert for more information.



Attendance

This weeks whole school attendance is 93.8% . Robins won the biscuit break this week with attendance of 100%. Well done Robins!



Children In Need

We will be collecting donations to raise money for Children in Need on Friday 14th November. There will be buckets on the gate for any spare change you may have. Children can wear Pudsey accessories, but please can they attend in school uniform due to PE and Forest Fridays for most of our year groups that day.



Well Done Certificates and Thank you Stars:

Ducklings: Noah-Blu & Jupiter

Penguins: Maisie & Faris

Owls: Lillie, Eli & Thea

Goldfinches: Logan, Savannah & Ronnie

Robins: Annabelle, Ruby & Marnie

Swallows: Kobi, Lottie & Heidi



It has been so good to see the children back in school, on time everyday. Thank you for your effort in supporting your child to get the best from school. Have a super weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Mrs Willes and Mrs Weaver

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARVEST DONATIONS

As the colder months approach, the need for Totton Basics Bank support continues to grow. Your generous donations make it possible for us to keep helping those in our community who need it most.

Thank you to everyone who collected and delivered food – even if we didn't capture your contribution in a photo.

WE COULDN'T SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY WITHOUT THE GENEROSITY AND INVOLVEMENT OF PEOPLE LIKE YOU

**From all of us at YFM,
Thank You**

