



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back and happy New Year! We hope you enjoyed a restful winter break and a wonderful start to 2026. As we begin this new term, we are eager to build on last term's progress and dive into new learning adventures together.

Please remember that we will be spending time outside every day, so children will need appropriate clothing for the weather. All items do need to be clearly named to help us return them to the right owners. We look forward to a positive start to the year as we continue to support the children's learning and development at school.

Best wishes, Mrs Mark-Richards & Mrs Webb



Cold weather plans

In the event of extreme weather conditions, please assume that the school is open unless we contact you. With this in mind, check that

Arbor has your current contact details so that we can stay in touch.

Children need to wear appropriate coats and school shoes for the weather. Do get in touch if you need any support with this as we do have some spares in school.



Key Dates January

Tuesday 6th: Children return to school

Wednesday 7th: Year 4 Saxon Workshop

Thursday 8th: Year 6 WW2 Workshop

Week Commencing 12th: Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 12th: Community Nurse in (see Mrs Embleton-Horner if you would like an appointment)

Thursday 15th: Charterhouse Robotics Competition (Robotics Club)

Monday 19th or Tuesday 20th: Year 3 at the Natural History Museum

Week Commencing 19th: Spelling Bee (House event)

Week Commencing 26th: Selected additional parents evening (year 3, 4 and 5)

Key Dates February

Week Commencing 2nd: Selected additional parents evening (year 6)

Week Commencing 2nd: National Storytelling Week

Tuesday 3rd: Talavera Treat (selected pupils)

Thursday 5th: Year 6 trip to the Imperial War Museum

Week Commencing 9th: IEP drop in sessions

Tuesday 10th: Safer Internet Day

Friday 13th: Parents V Kids Rugby session

Monday 16th to Friday 20th: Half term

Monday 23rd: Children return to school



Uniform

Being Talavera Smart is important in helping your child understand their role and responsibility at our school. Here is a guide to our uniform. If you need support with your child's uniform, we are here to help. We have spare shoes available if needed.



Red school jumper (can be branded from Edgar Jerome)

White polo shirt

Black skirt, shorts or trousers

Leggings are not school



Indoor PE: red or white t-shirt (plain or Talavera-branded) and black shorts

Outdoor: as above, with red or black jumper. Leggings or tracksuit bottoms can be worn.

A quick reminder: hair accessories need to be small and plain, matching the school colours. If hair is long enough to be put up, it should be tied up for the school day.



Children can wear one set of stud earrings—no hoops or other jewellery.

Attendance

Please be reminded that we work hard to ensure that Every Learning Minute Counts. We work at a fast pace as a school and, as a result, your children make great progress and achieve strong outcomes.

However, we have seen an increase in the number of people taking days off from school, either for extended holidays or for occasional events.

These **significantly** impact your child's education.

Please be advised that parents/ carers may be fined or subject to a Legal Intervention Team if attendance becomes a particular concern.

Car Park

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the building work at the front of the school will be continuing into the new year. Therefore, until further notice, drop off and pick up for Year 3 will remain as followed:

- Blue Whales will need to be dropped off and picked up from Axolotls
- Green Turtles will need to be dropped off and picked up from Emperor Penguins

As before, we understand that this may cause delays to collection and, for this reason, the affected Year 3 classes will open their doors to dismiss from 3:15pm. We understand that this is not an ideal situation and appreciate your understanding and support to ensure the children's safety whilst the building work is being completed.



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Hampshire and IOW Constabulary provides free education resources, information, news and parent advice at: www.safe4me.co.uk

The central school team provide general advice and support about matters relating to Safe4me:
schoolyouthengagement@hampshire.police.uk



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