



Dear parents and carers,

We hope that you have had a wonderful half-term. Can you believe that we are this close to Christmas already?

Of course, as always, this half-term has some really exciting events and a whole lot of learning.

Keep an eye out on our communications to see when your child will have their parent consultation, workshops, trips and Christmas events.

The build-up to Christmas is exciting and full of special events but it can also be a tricky time for some families. Please pop and see us if you need any support.



**Making healthy lunches everyday is hard! Each month, we will give you some ideas.**



**Rainbow pasta salad**

Cook pasta until al dente. Drain and stir in pesto.

Pour boiling water on frozen vegetables and drain immediately. Bags of frozen veg are a great, cost-effective option.

Stir the vegetables through the pasta with a small amount of yoghurt and lemon juice.

You can add cheese or chicken for a little more protein.


**102,000 children starting school in England are at risk of catching measles**

Check your child is up to date with their MMR vaccinations



<b>T</b>	Take turns to make plans and predictions before reading	"I wonder if the little bear will get lost, what do you think?" "Do you think he's lost his hat? I think his friend the bear might find it."
<b>R</b>	Recap to check ideas and understanding as your child is reading	"You said that the mummy owl would come back. Where had she been?" "Why do you think the little boy was frightened?"
<b>U</b>	Use encouragement and praise to keep children engaged in reading	"You spotted the hat on the front cover, now let's find out who stole it." "You are so good at helping the tiger by remembering everything he has eaten. Let's see what he's going to eat next."
<b>S</b>	Share prior knowledge & past experiences that link to what is being read	"Have you learnt about penguins at school? Where do they live?" "That programme told us lots about baby animals, let's find a book to read about them."
<b>T</b>	Tune-in and listen to your child—be curious about their interests	"I love reading dinosaur books with you. I really want to know more about your favourite dinosaur." "Show me your favourite book. Shall we draw a picture from it?"

Even if your child is a confident reader, taking the time to discuss their books with them can have a huge impact. It benefits every single subject they study.

Sometimes, it can be hard to know where to start if your child seems to be fluent. Using these ideas shown to the left can help you.

Please remember that even children who seem to read fluently need to talk about what they have read. Sometimes, children are able to decode but their understanding is less strong.

Of course, it's also just fun for them to know that you're interested in their book too!

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.



Red school jumper (can be branded from Edgar Jerome)

White polo shirt

Black skirt, shorts or trousers

Leggings are not school uniform.



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. Socks and trainers.

If you would like to send your child in with an old t-shirt or shirt which is kept in school for art lessons, please do! We understand that this important part of the curriculum can stain uniforms.



Congratulations to Mrs Gething, our class teacher in Emperor Penguin, who is pregnant with her first child! We will be appointing a new class teacher and will support this transition to ensure the quality of education remains high. We cannot wait to meet her bundle of joy!

If you would like help talking to your child's teacher, you can use this link:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/emtas/supportinglanguages/emtas-phonelines>

They can help you translate.



Did you see that we sent out a letter about an Anxiety workshop run by the Family Support Team on 10th November?

Anyone is welcome to attend but you must sign up via the office because there is limited availability. Thank you to those parents who have already signed up.

Don't worry if you miss you—we will try to run another workshop later in the year if there is the demand. We are also always here to help you and hear your concerns.

100%

We are excited to announce that our

attendance for October was **98.1%** compared to the national level of **95%**!

Please remember that we are here to support you and will work with you to help your child get to school on time. Thank you.



We would always suggest using TT Rockstars to practise times tables because children can practise, can battle their friends, and can try to beat their own high score. However, there are so many great games online. Hit the Button on the Top Marks website is a firm favourite with many children. Do you think you could beat your child? Why not set up a running total of who wins the most battles—you or them? Or you can set them a target to reach! Good luck!



## Key Dates for Autumn 2

**Week commencing 6<sup>th</sup> November:** Parliament week  
**Week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> November:** Anti-bullying week  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November:** Parents Vs Kids Rugby  
**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November:** TT Rockstars Battle day (Dress Up)  
**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November:** School Photos  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December:** Lower school Golden Learners assembly  
**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December:** Upper school Golden Learners assembly  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December:** Talavera Treat  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December:** Aldershot Carol Concert at the Garrison (Choir performance)  
**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December:** Year 4/6 Christmas Jumper day and lunch  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** Year 3/5 Christmas Jumper day and lunch  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** Year 3/5 Christmas disco after school  
**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** Flu Vaccination (Parent permission required)  
**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** Year 4/6 Christmas disco after school  
**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December:** School Christmas Panto  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas service at the Church  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December:** Break up for Christmas (1:30pm finish)  
  
**Tuesday 2nd January:** INSET day



### Let's Plant 300 TREES!

Join us for our community tree planting day.

*Light refreshments will be available.*

JOIN US ON:  
**19TH NOVEMBER 2023**  
 Anytime from 10am to 3pm

*Come and join us with planting our new trees we have been given. Just bring a spade and warm clothing.*

WOODLAND TRUST

Thank you for your amazing support for our Macmillan cake sale! We raised a stonking **£368.83!**

You will know that Macmillan provide palliative nurses. However, they offer so much more support than just to the ill person. They give financial support, they bring laughter to affected families and they are even there to support after death. We are so privileged to support such a wonderful charity.

Forest School have done what everyone was most excited for: making fire! Mr Willcocks ensured everyone was safe and knew both the risks and benefits of using fire. What maturity to be so careful and take a measured risk!

Please remember that we do not allow phones in school. Please contact the school if you have any concerns. Thank you for your support.

SPOTLIGHT UK

## Christmas Toy Appeal 2023 !



Spotlight UK are seeking any school and companies who are willing to be a collection point of donations of new toys which Spotlight distributes to local disadvantaged and vulnerable children and young people.

If you would like to get involved please contact via email at [admin@spotlightuk.org](mailto:admin@spotlightuk.org).

**Bring a little happiness this Christmas !**

Registered Charity, 1129258



## HAVE YOUR SMILES READY... ...IT'S SCHOOL PHOTO TIME!



Be dressed and ready for Photo Day!

Make sure you bring your best smile!

Every child is photographed for our school records.

### How it works...



On the day or shortly afterwards, your child will bring home an access code



Log-in, view your images and get creative using our simple photo editing tools



Order by your deadline to take advantage of timed-discounts



Share your code with family and friends



Don't forget! We will deliver our order to your preferred address free of charge!



'Effortless School Photography'

SPOTLIGHT UK

## DISCOUNTED ACTIVITIES

Spotlight UK are a registered charity that provide heavily subsidised activities for children and families including donutting, high score arcade, swimming, bowling, Camberley Jump, clip n climb, soft play and more



£4 per person



£3 per person



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Please email [activities@spotlightuk.org](mailto:activities@spotlightuk.org) to find out more

[www.spotlightuk.org](http://www.spotlightuk.org)

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## Discounted Events

**Atmosphere Trampoline Park**

Wed 18th October 6-8pm - £4 per person

**Donutting**

Friday 20th October - 5-6pm - Donutting for over 6s at Alpine Snowsports in Aldershot - £4 per person

**Camberley Jump Session**

Friday 3rd November 6-7pm Camberley Jump - Trampolining - over 5s - £4 per person

**Family High Score Arcade Fun Farnborough**

Saturday 4th November - 12.45-2.15pm - 1.5 hour unlimited fun. - over 5s - £4 per person

**Laser Tag at Runabout in Farnborough**

Saturday 11th November 11.30am-12.30pm, 12.30-1.30pm, 1.30-2.30pm £5 per person

**Family Fun Night - Laser Tag and Bowling**

Tuesday 14th November 6-7.30pm over 6s - £6 per person

Camberley Tenpin  
Please book via email - [activities@spotlightuk.org](mailto:activities@spotlightuk.org)  
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### A WEEK AWAY WITH YOUR FRIENDS

Open to young people from our military families aged 8-11 (School Years 3-6)  
4 days and 3 nights of fun, Friday 5th April - Monday 8th April  
Take part in Raft Building, Archery, Climbing, High ropes, Orienteering, Axe throwing and many more.  
Costs £175 including all activities, food, transport, and accommodation.



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