

Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

I just wanted to start by saying an amazing well done to all the children for getting through what must have been one of the most unusual half terms ever! They have coped so well since day one back in September and I'm sure, for most of them, it probably felt like they'd never been away.

I'm sure you would like to join me in thanking all the staff who have worked tirelessly this term to make school a safe and exciting place to be. Walking round the school, it is great to see the fantastic learning attitudes on display despite the changes the children have had to get used to. This doesn't happen without endless energy and commitment from every adult in the building.



On a personal note, thank you for being so friendly on the gates each morning and afternoon – come rain or shine, despite the queues and the one-way system. Your smiles and encouragement are greatly appreciated!

As a polite reminder, do remember to socially distance within the grounds at all times. Currently, government advice does not go as far as to say that people need to wear face coverings whilst outside. However, please feel free to do so when dropping off and picking up your child if it makes you feel safer.

As you know the number of Covid cases is on the rise nationally. I would like to remind you therefore, in order to limit the number of people on site, only one adult should accompany children at drop off and pick up times.

I look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 2nd November.

Ingrid Dowse
Head of School

New Autumn 2 Menu

You will be pleased to hear that school dinners, on returning after half term, will be back to a choice of blue (meat option), yellow (vegetarian option) and jacket potato (with tuna or cheese) PLUS hot puddings will be back too!



For Early Years, year 1 and year 2 and for children on free school dinners, these will be provided free of charge. For children in other year groups, dinners can be ordered via online payment only, payable in advance. If you are not set up for this, please ring the office for a code. The office will not accept cash payment.

Subway Cleaning and repainting programme



We have been advised of work being undertaken by Southampton City Council to clean and repaint seven subways that include five in Lords Hill, one on Tebourba Way and one on Millbrook Road West. Each subway is expected to take up to two or three weeks to clean, prepare and repaint. During the work each subway will need to be closed to the public. Advanced warning signs will be put up at the subways. These works will start from 26th October and during closures, signed pedestrian diversion routes will

be put in place.

Subway locations can be viewed at www.bit.ly/subways2020.

The subways concerned are:

Andromeda Road
Lordshill Centre West
Tebourba Way North (overnight closure)
Millbrook Road West
Fairisle Road
Lords Hill Way Subway 5 (overnight closure)
Lords Hill Way Subway 1 (overnight closure)

Year 3 and Year 4

Everyone in Lower Key Stage two is continuing to work hard and I am still really impressed by the learning attitudes and behaviours that the children are showing. At the moment we are really focusing on number facts in both year groups.

In Year Three, the children are responding well to the challenge of a weekly times table test and they are enjoying using 'Learn it' flashcards in Maths to help them learn all the facts for the times tables they are working on.

As well as their weekly test, Year 4 are having a times table focus lesson each week which is supporting them in learning their tables in preparation for the Year 4 multiplication check later in the year. As part of the preparation for this, Year 4 now have their own set of 15 ipads which they can use to play Times Table Rockstars. They are using these in their weekly lesson as well as at other times in the week.

All the children in Year 3 and 4 now have a Times Table Rockstars account and they have been given their logins.

Please encourage your child to play regularly – it really does help them learn their tables.



I have set up fortnightly challenges between the classes in each Year group and each time a challenge ends the most valuable players are rewarded with certificates. When the children play in garage mode, the computer uses the questions they answer to work out what they know and then the questions get harder from there – the more they play, the harder the questions. When the children play in the Studio game it mixes up all their tables and gives them a level based on how quick they are. The quicker they are, the higher the level – going from unsigned act up to rock legend.

Miss Parker



SCHOLASTIC

Looking for Christmas gift ideas?

Our Autumn book club order is now live. You can order online using <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/tanners-brook/digital-book-club>

Browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this term's Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your **order online by November 16th, 2020**.

Please note: Books will be delivered to school and sent home with your child – unless you specifically ask for home delivery when ordering.

Walls

We are noticing a number of children are climbing or sitting on the wall outside the school. Please do not allow your children to do this as they could fall and injure themselves or others passing by.



Health & Safety - Masks

With the increase of cases of Covid19 across the country and the need for us to keep our school community safe, although face masks are optional for adults in our school ground, if you need to come into the building for any reason please ensure you are wearing a face mask.

Thank you for helping us to keep everyone

STOP THE PRESS

Children in Need - Silly Socks

For Children in Need this year children can wear silly socks to school on Friday 13th November. For this we would like to suggest a donation of £1. Money will be collected in class taking into account COVID19 precautions.

Thank you for your support



Earrings

Stud earrings **only** can be worn to school, but must be removed during for PE lessons for safety reasons. We would prefer it if your child did not wear earrings into school on the day they have PE. However, if earrings cannot be removed, you must provide tape (micropore or equivalent – available from any supermarket or chemist) to cover them during these lessons.



Contacting Us

If you need to contact us by email about anything including messages for your child's classteacher, please ensure you do so by using info@tannersbrookpri.org.uk. Please do not contact a member of staff direct using their own email address.

School Photos

The cut off date for online school photo orders is tomorrow (Friday 23rd October) with delivery of order expected after half term.



Attendance Ladder



Our School Attendance Target is 96%

Our current attendance is 94.9%

Year R: 95.7%

Year 4: 95.5%

Year 1: 93.6%

Year 5: 96.8%

Year 2: 93.1%

Year 6: 94.2%

Year 3: 95%

Well done year 5!

Tanners Brook Primary School – HISP Multi Academy Trust



Tanners Brook Primary School in Southampton is part of HISP Multi Academy Trust and is committed to enhancing children's learning.

Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant

Grade: B

Salary: £18,562-£19,129 pro rata

5 hours per week, Term Time only (with possibility of additional hours during COVID19)

We have a vacancy for a friendly, caring person who enjoys working with children, to join our team of lunchtime supervisory assistants. Your role will include supervising and helping our children during the lunchbreak.

We are looking for someone who is able to:

- Organise and play games or activities that will help develop the children's social skills
- Work with confidence
- Supervise and help the children while eating and promoting healthy eating
- Work with children with caring needs
- Work as part of a team

This is a permanent position.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment.

An application form and job description are available on the school website www.tannersbrookpri.org.uk

Please email completed application forms to info@tannersbrookpri.org.uk (no CV's please)

Closing date: 01/11/2020

Dates / Activities

23 October 2020	INSET Day – school closed
26 October 2020 – 30 October 2020	Half Term
9 – 12 November 2020 16 - 19 November 2020	Review week Parents' Evening by telephone Parents' Evening by telephone
17 November 2020	Whole school Flu Immunisation
27 November 2020	Newsletter
18 December 2020	Newsletter End of Term

Spring Term 2021	Activity
4 January 2021	INSET Day
5 January 2021	Term starts
29 January 2021	Newsletter
12 February 2021	End of term
15 – 19 February 2021	Half Term
22 February 2021	Term Starts
26 February 2021	Newsletter
5 March 2021	INSET Day – school closed
23 March 2021	Late parents evening
25 March 2021	Early parents evening
26 March 2021	Newsletter

Summer Term 2021	
19 April 2021	Term starts
30 April 2021	Newsletter
3 May 2021	Bank Holiday – School Closed
10 – 14 May 2021	KS2 SATs Week
27 May 2021	Newsletter
28 May 2021	INSET Day – school closed
31 May – 4 June 2021	Half Term
7 June 2021	Term starts
15 June 2021	New Parents (2021) Parent' Evening
24 June 2021	Y2+Y6 Hampshire Fire & Rescue
25 June 2021	Newsletter
5 July 2021	Reports home
6 July 2021	Parents Evening (reports only)
8 July 2021	Parents Evening (reports only)
16 July 2021	Newsletter
23 July 2021	Last day of term

INSET Days 2020/21

Friday 23 October 2020
 Monday 4 January 2021
 Friday 5 March 2021
 Friday 28 May 2021