



HEADLINES

- 7.10.24 onwards– Harvest Festival collection
- 14.10.24– Well swap! Bring your wellies!
- 14.10.24– Maths Parent Information events– 3.30pm and 6.00pm
- 14.10.24– Year 2 Parent open day tours 9.30pm and 1.30pm
- 15.10.24– Interhouse Cross country– **PE kit to be worn by ALL children.**



INSET DAYS 2024-25

18th Nov, 14th Feb, 2nd June

Letters sent out this fortnight:

- *Welly swap*
- *Interhouse cross country– email*
- *YR 4 Hooke Court kit list*

Dear parent, carers

Well, September has come and gone in what seems a flash and we are looking forward to coming events in October.

Over the last two weeks we have welcomed a variety of visitors to the school, last week we welcomed ATC to share their knowledge and artefacts of **Stone Age with the children in Year 3**. They gained a great deal of information and has really put them in the shoes of the Stone Age people. On Tuesday the **NSPCC visited** and spoke with all of the classes about the importance of keeping safe and how they can seek help if they need to– an important message to them all.

This week we have begun our **Harvest Festival collection**. If you have not yet brought in any food items and you are able to then please check the list to see what to bring in. This year we will be donating the food to Ringwood Foodbank. Your generosity will support our local families and is very much appreciated.

Clubs and sporting events have also started and we have already seen children compete in Cross Country relays and try out the game of Boccia. We have also started supporting the Infant school with our amazing Year 4 and 5 play leaders, 36 children applied and were successful in this role and so far the feedback from the infants has been incredibly positive.

This coming week we are excited to **work with parents at the Maths Information events**. This is a chance for adults/parents to **come along at 3.30pm and 6.00pm and meet and work with Mr Wakeford to understand more of the thinking in how we teach maths and how you can help** support your children. Come along and enjoy learning and finding out more!

We have held the Friends of Poulner AGM and I want to thank Claire Ironside and Clare Walsh who have now stepped down as Chairs, they have been wonderful in their roles and co-ordinated so many events for the children. Our Chairs for this coming year are Claire Ridout and Rosie Henderson, and I am sure they will continue to drive this group forwards. If you would like to get involved please let us know. **We are looking for more volunteers to help with Fireworks evening on 2nd November**. If you are able to help please let us know, we are willing to give up to 2 entry tickets to thank you for your time.

In preparation for the fireworks night why not get involved with **the Welly Swap on Monday?** Simply bring in your old wellies that no longer fit and we will do our very best to swap them for a size that you need.

Please look out for the questionnaires over the next few days– so far we have had two parent/carers events– Parent Voice and Reading evening and the attendance has been low. We are wanting to know from you when and how best to communicate and when it is best to run additional opportunities such as Parent Voice and curriculum events.

Have a great weekend.

Jo Randall

Heart Learning Awards

Congratulations to the following children:

Year 3:- Lily, Monet

Year 4:- Ky, Harper, Nia

Year 5:- Elisabeth, Finlay

Year 6:- Chloe, Naeem



Friends of Poulner Junior School need you!

Can your business help sponsor the Fireworks?

The success of this traditional community event is based on the generosity of local people and companies based in this area.

This event has been going for 23 years, so the team know what they are doing, they are simply amazing!

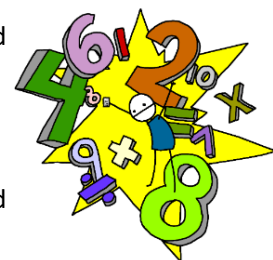
School Parking



We have reported on to Ringwood PCSOs the current parking situation outside of school. You must not block junctions, driveways, on the yellow zigzags or in the Bus stops. You must also ensure that cars are parked so that buses can get through. The PCSOs will be conducting drop in checks and will issue fines to anyone parking illegally. Please park further away and consider the safety of all children entering and leaving the school site. Thank you.

Maths Information event– Mon 14th Oct

Please come and join us on **14th October at 3.30pm or 6pm** to find out about how you can help with supporting your child at home, understanding modern teaching methods and seeing the steps and methods involved in helping this stick for children.



Harvest Festival Food Collection

To recognise harvest we will be using assembly time to think about the meaning of harvest and the importance of farming in the UK and the world. We will also be using it to make a collection, this will be donated to



WE ARE RUNNING SHORT OF SOME ESSENTIAL ITEMS

TINNED TOMATOES
SPONGE PUDDINGS
KETCHUP, CHUTNEY, MAYO ETC.
TINNED SPAGHETTI
TINNED MEAT PIES
CHOCOLATE
SQUASH
HOUSEHOLD CLEANING ITEMS
CLEANING CLOTHS
TOILET ROLLS
SHAMPOO

Ringwood Foodbank to help our local families.

Whatever you can give will be gratefully received. Other items that can be donated include cereal, coffee, tea, biscuits, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, tinned puddings.

Our collection will close on 18th October. Thank you!

School representatives in action

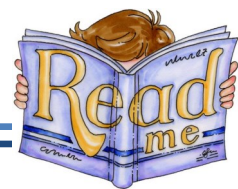
This week Year 6 House Captains have represented the school and spoken to new possible parents about the school. They were excellent and welcomed parents and children to PJS.

School council have met this week with Mrs Smalley. They are talking to their classes this week and will be heading back next week with ideas and suggestions– so watch this space!

This week's top readers...

Best Class: Hawking

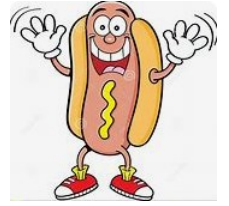
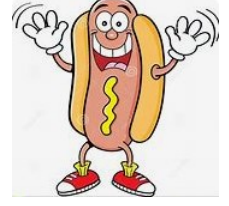
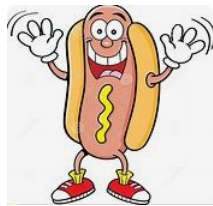
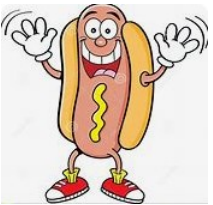
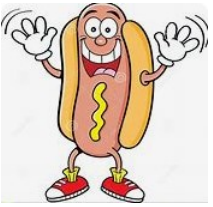
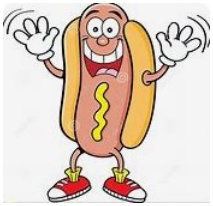
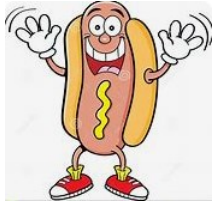
Number of reads: 120



Equality and Diversity Advocates

8 children have been asked to work with Mrs Randall on improving equality and diversity across the school. Last week they worked with other schools to understand the Unicef Rights and the Equality Act 2010. They have planned to improve the representation of all children in our school and to help children learn more about neurodiverse brains. Thanks to FOPJS for helping us to source a wide range of books, we are going to share inspirational stories as the class reader for the next two weeks to mark Black History Month and to reinforce our key message of **No Outsiders– all welcome, all different.**

Next Sunday 20th Mr Gavin is running the Great South run for Portsmouth Down Syndrome Association as a HOT DOG. If you would like to sponsor him, please follow the link below or speak to him directly.



<https://ajbellgreatsouthrun2024.enthuse.com/pf/chrisandwaynegsr>