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Friday 5th June 2026

Dear parents and carers,

I hope everyone had a lovely sunny half term. I can't believe that we are now moving onto the final half term of the academic year. It is going to be another busy half term with lots of transition activities planned in.

Please keep Thursday 2nd July in your diaries to pop in at the end of the day and meet your new class teacher.

Thank you to all the parents and carers that attended Sports Day before half term - it turned out to be another hot one! It was a great day and a brilliant win for Lamorak. It was lovely to watch them celebrate.

Inset days for next academic year:

1st September 2026 23rd November 2026 12th February 2026

25th June 2026 28th June 2026

Gardening Club

The school allotment is thriving thanks to the half term heatwave and to the children's hard work during their gardening sessions, volunteers and our year 5 garden ambassadors.



We were able to make our first big harvest this week for the kitchen. The children will be able to enjoy lettuce, radishes, kale, broad beans and peas for lunch freshly picked from the allotment.

**Last Day of
Summer Term**
22nd July 2026
Reports go home
8th July 2026

Diabetes Day - Friday 12th June 2026

As part of UK Diabetes Week, Colden Common Primary School will be holding a Diabetes Day on Friday 12th June. Children are invited to wear their most "ONE-derful" pyjamas to school to help raise awareness of Type 1 Diabetes and support Breakthrough T1D through online donations.

Amber, a year 4 pupil at Colden Common Primary School who lives with Type 1 Diabetes, will be sharing her story with the school to help others understand what living with diabetes is like and why awareness is so important.

Breakthrough T1D supported Amber and her family through her recent diagnosis. Amber would love to give a little back to show her appreciation, by fundraising for this amazing charity and the wonderful work they continue to do for families across the UK.

Please follow the link or click on the QR code below to make your donation:



[Colden Common Primary School Diabetes Day - fundraiser for Breakthrough T1D](#)

As a thank you for supporting Diabetes Day, Amber would love to give every child a sugar-free ice pop, kindly donated by Amber's Nanna. If you would prefer your child not to receive an ice pop please email the school office by 10th June 2026.

Thank you for helping us raise awareness, promote understanding, and support everyone after by Type 1 Diabetes.

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DIABETES DAY!

Friday 12th June 2026

Wear your most **ONE-DERFUL** pyjamas!

SUPPORT BREAKTHROUGH T1D™ Formerly JDRF

Please make an online donation to **Breakthrough T1D** to help fund life-changing research and support for everyone living with Type 1 Diabetes.

Hi! I'm Amber,
I am in year 4 at **Colden Common Primary School**

I live with Type 1 Diabetes. I use insulin injections every day to help keep my blood sugar in range and stay healthy and happy!

AMBER WILL BE SHARING HER STORY TO HELP RAISE AWARENESS OF TYPE 1 DIABETES.

Let's listen, learn, support and be kind.

Together, we can make a difference for everyone living with diabetes.

AS A THANK YOU, AMBER WOULD LOVE TO GIVE EVERY CHILD A SUGAR FREE ICE POP!

KINDLY DONATED BY AMBER'S NANNA

If you would rather your child not have one, please email the school office by **10.6.2026**.

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SUGAR FREE!

Year 4 Football Tournament at Nightingale School

Our Year 4 football team headed to Nightingale School earlier this term, to compete in a high-energy tournament against several local schools.

The team displayed fantastic teamwork, grit, and determination throughout the day. After a series of incredibly hard-fought matches, their skill and spirit saw them cruise through and secure a spot in the Grand Final!



In a nail-biting finish, Colden Common fought until the final whistle, narrowly missing out on the trophy with a close 2-1 loss. We are incredibly proud of the boys for their sportsmanship and for representing our school so brilliantly.

A Special Thank You we couldn't have done it without our supporters! A huge thank you to the parents for providing transport and cheering from the sidelines, and to Mrs Spurr for being a fantastic on-site manager and guiding the team through every match. Well done, team!

Year 6 Handball Tournament - By Brax, Luca, Pablo, George Waite, Harry T, Harry M and Albie

We really enjoyed our handball tournament and we did very well in working together. It is not a case of beating the other team, it is how we felt by the end of it and thinking of what we could have done better because even though we won, we still could have accomplished more.



Our games were really fun and if we could we would have replayed them. There were some very good teams and some really rough teams but most of the time there were some very nice people.

We were very surprised when we found out that we had won because we had lost, tied with other people and we were called up by the referee because of moving too many steps but we had also known that we would be up the boards. In conclusion, we are very happy to be going to the Isle of Wight to compete with harder opponents.

Winchester Basics Bank

Winchester Basics Bank are inviting families with school-aged children (who live or attend a school in the city of Winchester and some surrounding areas, including Alresford) who feel they need some extra help over the school holidays to register for our Holiday Lunch Scheme.

The aim of the scheme is to provide food to cover 5 lunches per child per week. Please note that the holiday lunch scheme is in addition to their normal operation, and does not count towards the number of standard vouchers a client can receive. However, they ask that clients don't claim both during the same period of time.

For further information, please visit: <https://winchesterbasicsbank.co.uk/summer-holiday-lunch-scheme-2026/> The closing date is Sunday 5th July.

Lost Property.

The lost property box will be emptied at the end of the day on **Wednesday 10th June**, please ensure any items are collected by this date.

Mrs C Redfern
Headteacher



Kindness Newsletter

*Imagine a world where you can succeed by being nice,
Where we all pay it forward,
Where people look out for each other,
It all starts with an act.*



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to this term's of our kindness newsletter!



Over the last few weeks, we have been really proud watching our pupils put our school values into action. From children offering small comforting words to each other to having an impact across our local community, our children are proving that small acts of kindness can make a massive difference.

Making waves in our neighbourhood!



We are thrilled to share that the kindness of our students hasn't stopped at the school gates!

Recently, we received some wonderful feedback from our local residents. We have had a few people from the community reach out to let us know how polite, helpful, and considerate our pupils have been while walking to and from school and particularly during our Bikeability sessions in Year 5. Whether it's stepping aside to let someone pass on the pavement or helping to pick up a dropped item, some of the children are being fantastic ambassadors for our school.

Thank you for reinforcing these wonderful habits at home.



The "Secret Smiler" Connection Activity!

Last term we launched a school-wide activity designed to strengthen relationships across our community and reinforce our shared learning values.

Children in all classes participated in a special surprise for school staff. Each class received a set of slips with prompts such as:

- "Give this to an adult who makes you smile."
- "Give this to an adult who helps you when you're stuck."

How it worked:

Children were given a slip and encouraged to think widely about any adult in the school who matches the description - not just their direct teaching staff, but our wonderful lunchtime supervisors, office team, site managers, and cleaners too! They then handed the slip directly to that adult, taking a brief moment to chat about why they chose them.



Why we did it:

This activity is all about helping children recognise and articulate the positive impact adults have on them. It beautifully supports several of our core learning values:

Our Core Values	How This Activity Helps
Respect	Noticing and appreciating the kindness, care, and support others show.
Working Together	Strengthening relationships and building a true sense of belonging across the whole school.
Curiosity	Encouraging children to reflect on what actually makes a positive relationship.
Resilience	Recognizing the specific adults who help them navigate challenges.
Independence	Giving children total ownership in expressing their own thoughts and feelings.

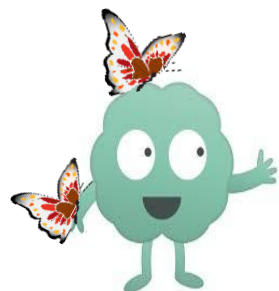
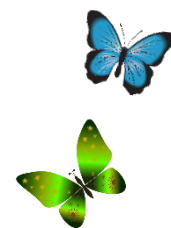
What was really lovely, was how many children then went away and wrote their own slips to give to members of staff they wanted to make smile 😊

This was a wonderful activity that created small but powerful moments of connection, boosted wellbeing, and reminded both staff and pupils of the difference we make to one another every day.

Keep the conversation going at home, try asking your child: *"Who is someone at school outside of your classroom who made you smile today?"*

Thank you, as always, for your continued support in making our school a warm, welcoming, and kind place to learn and grow!

The following children were awarded Happiness Hero badges in Summer 1 term:



Year 1 Peryton	Edith	Ella	Rafferty	
Year 1 Dragon	Henry	Evie C	Alba	
Year 2 Pegasus	Sophia	Whittaker	Rehan	
Year 2 Gryphon	Amelia	Louis	Harper	Peggy
Year 3 Centaur	Dominic	Oscar	Noah	
Year 3 Sphinx	Maja	Joshua	Harriet	Anastasia
Year 4 Faun	Holly	Laurie	Molly S	
Year 4 Unicorn	Molly	Monty	Erin	
Year 5 Phoenix	Aoife	Robert	Eliza	
Year 5 Firebirds	Amaan	Sofia		
Year 6 Hippogriff	Megan	Edward	Max S	
Year 6 Thunderbird	Ollie	George	Bethan	



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