



Wildground Federation Newsletter

Newsletter 239: 19th June 2026

Executive Headteacher – Mrs. Mullett

Head of Infant School – Mrs. Summers, Head of Junior School - Ms. Mason-Hewitt

Message from Mrs Mullett

We have had a busy and successful start to this half term with lots of moments to celebrate.

All the children in Y6 took part in bikeability cycle training to equip them with the vital skill of being able to cycle independently and safely. We received immensely positive feedback about the children's resilience and their positive attitude to this experience, and with regards to how the staff supported all the children to be included regardless of their prior knowledge or current skill level. Well done to Y6!

Hampshire County Council are currently undertaking monitoring visits in all schools with a focus on health and safety and ours took place earlier this month. It was a positive visit where the safety of children, staff and visitors was recognised for being consistently evident across the Federation. We are currently waiting for the report, but are pleased to share that there were no actions so thank you to everyone involved.

With safety always being of paramount importance for anyone on school premises, we are aware and are mindful that the weather forecast for our YR to Y6 Sports Morning next Wednesday has changed since we sent home the letter. We will monitor the forecast closely but wanted to share that we are considering how we can adapt the event should the need arise such as shortening the time or having fewer events. We will communicate any changes and appreciate your support and patience in the meantime.

Please enjoy your weekend as a family.

Warmer Weather

As the weather warms up, please send children to school with sun lotion applied, a hat and a water bottle.

Reminder: Permissions on Arbor

To ensure our parental consents accurately reflect our everyday practice, some permissions have been updated. Please login into the Arbor portal where you will be prompted to provide consent. If you have any questions, please contact the federation office.

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for a nursery place at our excellent teacher led setting



Ofsted Report September 2023 comments:

'the evidence gathered suggests that the inspection grade might be outstanding if a graded (section 5) inspection were carried out now, the school's next inspection will be a graded inspection'



'exceptional early years setting where staff are experts in early education'



'Pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) achieve extremely well'

'The possibilities are endless for pupils who attend the school'

Age 2 to school age. Open from 8am to 4pm.

Government funded flexible sessions available.

Contact us now nursery@wildground.hants.sch.uk

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Fill in the Children's Commissioner's Big Future Survey from the Children's Commissioner

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/TheBigFuture/>



Upcoming Changes to Free School Meals

Please refer to the email we sent regarding changes to free school meals, which will take effect from 1st September 2026.

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

School Caterers Survey

Edwards and Ward would like to seek feedback from parents and carers on the catering provision. Please kindly complete the following [survey](#).

PTFA Summer Fayre

We're now accepting donations for the PTFA Summer Fayre, if you have any of the following at home that you are needing to find a new home for the PTFA will be very grateful.

- raffle prizes
- bottles of any kind from bubble bath to spirits and squash to wine
- soft toys
- garden plants
- quality bric-a-brac

If you have a craft or a hobby and would like a stall, please get in touch! Remember that there will be a cake competition too so please get thinking!

Watch out for raffle tickets coming home too. The PTFA continue to seek raffles prizes and there are some amazing donations again this year.

It would be great if any family member can give any time on the day, or leading up to the day, to help. Organising an event take a lot of work and the PTFA team are small; it would be easier with more people helping.



Y1 Hillier Gardens Trip

On Wednesday 3rd June Year 1 had an amazing time at Sir Harold Hillier Gardens. Despite the weather being a bit drizzly, the children thoroughly enjoyed the activities. The children went on a nature walk, object hunt, pond dipping, bug hunt, bravely walked on the wobbly bridge and smelt lots of herbs and flowers to stick on their paper sticky caterpillar. Layton from Penguins said "This is the best trip ever!". The children demonstrated excellent behaviour and followed all of the golden rules.

Dates for the diary

23/06/2026	Y5 invited to attend Noadswood Arts Week
24/06/2026	Sports Morning
26/06/2026	PTFA Summer Fayre
02/07/2026	Cheetah class assembly 2:45pm: junior hall
03/07/2026	Shuffle Up Afternoon
09/07/2026	Summer Picnic
13/07/2026-17/07/2026	Y6 Residential Trip to Avon Tyrrell
17/07/2026	National Ice Cream Day (For dessert when ordering a school meal)
21/07/2026	Y6 Leavers Performance
22/07/2026	Last Day of Term
23/07/2026-31/08/2026	Summer Holidays

National Ice Cream Day

Celebrate national ice cream day on Friday 17th July by ordering a school meal. All meals ordered on the day will receive an ice cream, with cone and sprinkles for dessert!



Starting school?

Come to our Meet & Connect sessions!

Join us to hear about our useful collections, a school-themed Storytime, a chance to meet other families starting school, and a play session.
Sessions open to all schools.

Tuesday 23 June, 11am-12pm
Wednesday 1 July, 2-3pm
Thursday 9 July, 1-2pm
Saturday 18 July, 10-11am



MINSTEAD STUDY CENTRE SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Explore, connect & create in nature



Mentored by **MINSTEAD STUDY CENTRE**
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Collection links



Minstead Study Centre, Lyndhurst

Ages: 8 - 11

HAF Eligible Child Free

Next date: Tuesday 4th Aug, 10:30 - 15:30

Funded by Hampshire County Council HAF

Universal provision

[VIEW ALL AVAILABLE DATES](#)



Local Events

Join us for the magical

Summer Frozen Fever



hosted by **Sing & Sparkle**

5th July 2-4PM

Bartley Lodge, Lyndhurst Rd, Cadnam, SO40 2NR



LOCALS OFFER - USE CODE 'FROZEN' FOR 10% OFF TICKET PRICE

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Join us for a celebration of The Villagers 40th year with an open air production of Shakespeare's timeless tale of enchantment, humour, and romance in the idyllic setting of Buckler's Hard.


SUNDAY 19TH JULY 2026

**PERFORMANCE STARTS 6PM
AT BUCKLER'S HARD, NEW FOREST, SO42 7XB**

BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC AND CHAIR AND STEP INTO A WORLD WHERE FAIRIES WHISPER, LOVERS WANDER, AND DREAMS BLUR INTO REALITY.

BOOK TICKETS ON EVENTBRITE HERE

All proceeds raised from ticket sales and raffle on the night will help Home-Start Hampshire continue supporting families in the New Forest.



OR FOLLOW THE LINK ON OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.HOME-STARTHAMPSHIRE.ORG.UK

Charity Number: 1144661

PERFORMED BY THE VILLAGERS, WWW.VILLAGERS.ORG.UK, AT BUCKLER'S HARD, WWW.BUCKLERSHARD.CO.UK

HOME START Hampshire

Dibden Purlieu, Hythe & District Horticulture & Craft Show

Saturday 25th July 2026



Online Entry Form



Show schedule

Children's Activities

Plant Sales

Tea, Coffee & cake

Craft Stalls

Open to the Public - 1.00pm to 3.30pm

St. Andrews Church, Dibden Purlieu, SO45 4PT.

Adult Entry £1.00

Under 16's Free entry

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Mindfulness Pony Days For kids

A magical day of ponies, riding, art, friendship and mindfulness

summer holiday fun

What to expect :

- Mindfulness time with ponies
- Pony care
- Riding and Mounted games
- Connect with arts and nature
- Make new friends

Dates:
4th, 6th, 10th and 13th of August 2026
Time: 8:30 am -1:00pm

📍 Hillcrest Farm Riding School, Horsham RH13 6NX

Book Now

Spaces limited to 10 children per day
£115 per child per day £30 pound deposit

By purchasing a ticket via eventbrite you are paying a £30 deposit. You will be invoiced for the balance 1 week before the event

Links for Booking

4th August 6th August
10th August 13th August

We are an inclusive team and warmly welcome children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) we celebrate diversity and are committed to providing a supportive environment where every child can thrive.

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