

End of Year Newsletter

Dear Families,

As we come to the end of another busy and successful school year, we wanted to share some important information with you ahead of September. We want to say a huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support. From attending events and helping with reading at home, to your patience and understanding through the busy moments, we couldn't do what we do without you. We're so proud of everything the children have achieved this year, and we're looking forward to another great year together in September.

Have a lovely summer and we look forward to seeing you in September!

All of the staff at Foundry Lane

Classes for September

Year Group	Classes and Staff
Year R	Starfish: Mrs Lush, Miss Medway Dolphins: Mrs Burt, Mrs Murphy
Year 1	Octopus: Miss Kenway, Mrs O'Neil Turtles: Miss Godwin
Year 2	Sandpipers: Miss Horn Kingfishers: Mrs Lyon, Mrs Evans
Year 3	Pebbles: Mr Atkins Seashells: Miss Muldoon
Year 4	Canoes: Miss Mustill Kayaks: Miss Lawrence
Year 5	Mumbles: Miss Lyon-Maris Brighton: Miss McKay Mousehole: Mrs Roue
Year 6	Cliffs: Mrs Clifford Reef: Mrs Reis Bay: Miss Atkinson

Acorns – Wraparound Care

Tigers Club is getting a new name and a new look in September!

- Same entrances and exits, same staff!
- New logo!
- Book your child's place on Arbor.



Summer building works

We have lots of going on over the summer – some areas of the school are getting a lick of paint, others new carpets and chairs as well as some playground changes and room moves! We look forward to showing you the finished results in the new year!

Entrances and Exits

Please see below for each year group's entrance and exit point and gate times for September.

A reminder that gates open at 8:40 and the school day starts at 08:50. Registers close at 9am.

Be an attendance HERO: Here, Everyday, Ready, On Time!

Year Group	Entrance / Exit Points
Year R	English Road Playground – Classroom Doors
Year 1	Foundry Lane Playground – Classroom Doors
Year 2	Foundry Lane Playground – Enter via new building staircase. Collect from playground.
Year 3	Foundry Lane Playground – Enter via new building staircase. Collect from playground.
Year 4	English Road Playground – Enter via either staircase. Collect from playground
Year 5	English Road Playground - Enter via either staircase. Collect from playground, or walking home pass via English Road.
Year 6	English Road Playground - Enter via either staircase. Collect from playground, or walking home pass via English Road.

School Dinners

We would appreciate if school dinners could be booked in advance via the Arbor App.

You can find the autumn term menu on the website.

Polite Notice - Rucksacks

We are short on space in our classrooms and corridors. Please avoid bringing large rucksacks to school – a book bag, or lunchbox is plenty! We will provide the children with all of the stationary the need.



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Updating contact details and medical conditions

Take moment over the summer to check that we have your correct address, phone number, and emergency contact details on file. You can update these yourself via the Arbor App. Keeping this information current helps us reach you quickly if we ever need to, especially in an emergency.

Remember to keep us up to date with allergies and medical conditions too!

Medication & Inhalers

If your child has an inhaler in school, it will be sent home on the last day of term. Please ensure that a full, in-date inhaler is returned to school in September.

We will also require an up-to-date Asthma Care Plan, which can be downloaded from your NHS App or requested from your child's GP.

If your child has any medication (e.g. EpiPens, pain relief or allergy medication) stored in the main office, please ensure that you collect it by Wednesday 22 July, as anything left after this date will be disposed of.

Any medication that will be required in the new academic year should be brought to the school office on the first day of the new academic year.

School Uniform

- Burgundy cardigan or jumper
- White polo-shirt
- Grey or black trousers, skirt or shorts
- Black shoes or trainers (no open toe shoes or crocs)

Uniform with the school logo can be purchased from [Skoolkit](#).

School PE Kit

- Plain white round neck T-shirt
- Black shorts
- Black trainers

PE kit is worn to school on PE days. No hoodies or jewellery, for health and safety reasons.



Volunteering

Are you friendly, reliable, and passionate about helping children learn and grow? We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to support our primary school in a variety of rewarding roles – from listening to readers, classroom support or green fingers in the garden!

[Volunteering at Foundry Lane Primary School, Southampton, Hampshire](#) | [MyNewTerm](#)

September PE Days

Year Group	Indoor PE	Outdoor PE
Year R	Thursday	-
Year 1	Friday	Thursday
Year 2	Friday	Tuesday
Year 3	Tuesday	Friday
Year 4	Thursday	Tuesday
Year 5	Wednesday	Monday
Year 6	Monday	Wednesday

Summer Reading Challenge

Don't forget to sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge at your local library! It's a brilliant way to keep children reading over the holidays, with fun activities and rewards along the way. Ask at your nearest library branch for details, or visit their website to sign up.



Have a good look at home for any library books over the holidays and make sure you return these in September so we can fully restock our refurbished library.

Summer Savings!

From **25 June to 1 September 2026**, the Government has temporarily reduced **VAT from 20% to 5%** on: Children's meals in restaurants, Children's and family tickets for cinemas, Theatres, Concerts, Exhibitions...

During **August 2026**, children aged **5–15 in England** can also benefit from **free bus travel**. The aim is to help families enjoy affordable cultural, educational and leisure activities over the summer holidays.

To find participating attractions and venues near you, families can use the **Summer Savings attraction finder** by entering their postcode:
<https://summersavings.gov.uk>

Setting Parental Controls

This guide will help you set up parental controls and adjust privacy settings to provide your child with a safer online environment.

<https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Parental-Controls-booklet-2026.pdf>

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Emergency Summer Contacts (safeguarding)

[Family Help for families](#)

[Southampton Safe Places Network](#)

[Southampton Support Services](#)

Important Dates for Your Diaries

Tuesday 1st September – INSET

Wednesday 2nd September – INSET

Thursday 3rd September – Years 1 – 6 return to school.

w/c 7th September – virtual 'Meet the Teacher' meetings.

w/c 7th Sept Year R start school (Mon & Tues until 1pm, Wed - Fri full time)

w/c 14th September – Year 5 Healthy Relationships Project

Monday 21st – Friday 25th September – Year 6 Stubbington Residential

Friday 2nd October – KS2 Jacqueline Wilson Author Visit

Monday 19th October – Individual School Photos

Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October – HALF TERM