Awbridge Primary School

Celebrating Learning Together

Half Term Highlights : Autumn 1 2026

Right at the start of term, we were delighted to welcome Steel the Gladiator for a whole-school assembly and class visits. Zack shared inspiring messages about staying active, developing healthy habits, believing in ourselves and maintaining a positive mindset. The children thoroughly enjoyed the energetic sessions and left feeling motivated to make healthy choices and remember that, with effort and confidence, anything is possible.



16th September- Conifer Class House Points were stolen

The children returned from assembly to find that their house point charts were stolen, and a note was left in its place. After discovering that black inks use different combinations of colours and each pen company uses a different mixture, the children tested a range of teacher pens through chromatography to match a sample to the note. The children quickly identified that Mrs Tucker had stolen the house points and written the note. They approached Mrs Tucker who owned up and promised to return the house points. What fantastic detective work!

Thank you for joining us as we welcomed parents into our Step into School sessions.

Sharing learning with you is an important part of the partnership between home and school, helping us to support each child as they learn and grow. It was lovely to see the children so engaged and proud to show you their classroom routines, activities and learning environment.

We hope the session gave you a useful insight into your child's school day and the positive experiences that help them feel confident, settled and ready to learn.



Welcome Year R to Chestnut Class





Beech Class had lots of fun being trained on how to be Sports Leaders. They learned what an important role it is to help inspire children to be active, healthy and confident. They developed valuable leadership and communication skills as well as designing new games they could play to support younger children.



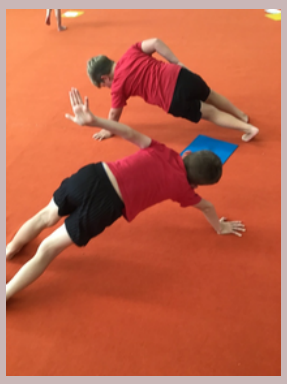
Year 3 and Year 4 Orienteering
A wonderful afternoon in the sunshine orienteering at Mountbatten School. Great teamwork and determination solving puzzles and reading maps.



Multi-sportsA fantastic afternoon with our great year 5/6 sports leaders; trying out new sports: quidditch, kinball, tchoukball, pickleball, pop lacrosse and roundnet; preparing to bring these new experiences back to school and lead sessions for others during break and lunchtimes!



A brilliant afternoon at Mountbatten with our incredible sports leaders and peer mentors





KS1 Gymnastics Festival
KS1 had a wonderful afternoon at the gymnastics festival at Starlight Gym. Their sheer determination to try new things really shone and we were so proud of them.

Cross Country super stars



Outdoor Learning & Forest Fridays






Forest Friday for Willow and Chestnut

We have enjoyed exploring and learning in Forest School this half term. We have explored topics such as amazing trees, autumns colours, harvest and natures gift, woodland animals and seasons and weather. The children have enjoyed learning alongside one another, using their words and working as a team.

Conifer Class had a fantastic outdoor learning afternoon linked to our English topic The Iron Man. The children worked in teams to create their own traps for the Iron Man using the natural resources and a range of outdoor materials. They displayed their innovation through all creating different ideas and were able to describe these in detail.

The children also developed their communication and problem solving skills when faced with the 'crossing the river' task. They had to think of alternative ways to communicate when working silently as a team and to logically think of how to approach the task so they were quick and following the set rules.

Oak Class took part in pond dipping, den-building and searched for conkers in the The Wilds. They worked in teams and independently making culinary delights in the mud kitchen and doing tree rubbings.

Beech Class had a lot of teamwork fun investigating how to roll a tyre faster down a hill – and then how they could make it roll slower down a hill. They also learned how to make dens that were big enough for their team to fit inside. They also had time for a bit of nature art!







Our school Science Ambassadors have been busy planning extra science activities for the next year. They are ready to inspire curiosity and a love of learning for science with their fantastic ideas of problem-solving and memorable science!

Chestnut and Willow children were lucky enough to experience a wonderful drama workshop filled with imagination, quest and fun becoming superheroes, saving our planet.





Beech Class had a wonderful day learning at Winchester Science Centre and Planetarium. They explored science inside and outside, asking questions, investigating how things work and discovering more about the world around us.



Our school celebrated being thankful for the food we eat by having a wonderful Harvest festival. Families donated items of food and drink for Romsey Foodbank. Each class took it in turns to contribute what harvest means to them.



Teachers from The Mountbatten School visited us to share their fascinating knowledge of space. The children loved learning about planets, rockets, astronauts, NASA and the UK Space Agency. These inspiring assemblies captured imaginations, sparked curiosity and encouraged our children to dream big.

Willow Science Workshop – Sound

Willow Class were so lucky to have a visit from the Mountbatten Science team this week, where we were able to explore sound. We learnt that sound is made of vibrations and experimented with how they move through air, water and solids.



Everyone learned about keeping safe in our NSPCC Speak Out StaySafe assembly and workshops. Through activities and discussions, children learned how to recognise when something is wrong and who they can talk to if they are worried or need help.





Chestnut Class had a wonderful time during our Story Telling morning, using our imaginations and props to explore story telling with our friends.
The children gained some valuable skills to create their own short stories and interacting with their peers. A fun and exciting morning was had by all.

Year 6 Leadership Roles

The school recently voted for their new House Captains. Each house gathered to listen to Year 6 pupils present their reasons for being voted into this leadership role. Every child who applied should be incredibly proud of their hard work and bravery in standing in front of their entire house to present.

This year's House Captains, Vice House Captains and Bronze Ambassadors were announced in a Celebration Assembly. These important roles will provide many opportunities to demonstrate leadership and organisation, while also being excellent role models for others.

The Year 6 Peer Mentors have also been chosen. This role involves working with younger children, either on a particular aspect of their learning or by organising activities for them at break and lunchtime.

The children are really looking forward to embracing their new responsibilities and making a positive contribution to school life.