16TH OCTOBER 2026

BASSETT GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderfully busy and positive week at Bassett Green, with children enjoying a wide range of learning experiences and families continuing to support strong routines across the school.

Attendance Update
Our attendance this week has exceeded our target of 96%, reaching 97.3%! This is a great achievement, and we want to thank all families for your continued support in keeping routines strong and ensuring children are in school every day.

A reminder that holidays must not be taken during term time. We have many weeks of school holidays throughout the year, and these provide plenty of opportunities for family trips and time away. Term-time learning is essential, and missing school has a significant impact on your child's wellbeing and progress.

Thank you to the parents who responded to our attendance survey. Your feedback was extremely helpful. Please see our poster below on the Graduated Response to Attendance, which is aligned with the new Department for Education statutory guidance. This is also available on our website here.

This week's Golden Ticket Attendance Winners are:
Seahorses
Otters
Caterpillars
Bats
Badgers
Kingfishers
Kestrels

Well done to these classes!

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This Week's Events and Learning
Our Year 5 Parent Reading Session took place on Monday, and it was wonderful to see so many families joining us to share books and celebrate reading together.

On Monday after school, Trojans Hockey Club ran a session for Year 4 pupils, giving them the chance to develop new skills, work as a team and enjoy an energetic and engaging activity.

On Tuesday morning, we held our Parent Anxiety Workshop, which was very well attended. Thank you to everyone who came along. Please remember that our Zones of Regulation Parent Guide is available on our website for further support.

Later that day, our Year 6 Parent Reading Session took place. Although only a small number of families were able to attend, the children who took part really enjoyed sharing books with their adults. We hope to see more families at future sessions.

Year 1 also had a wonderful experience this week when they visited Turner Sims for the Blown Away music performance. The children were captivated by the show and represented the school beautifully throughout the trip.

Looking Ahead
A reminder that school is open next week, and we are looking forward to Eco Day on Monday 19th, where children will take part in a range of exciting activities focused on sustainability, caring for our environment and learning how small actions can make a big difference. **Our half term holiday begins on Monday 26th October.**

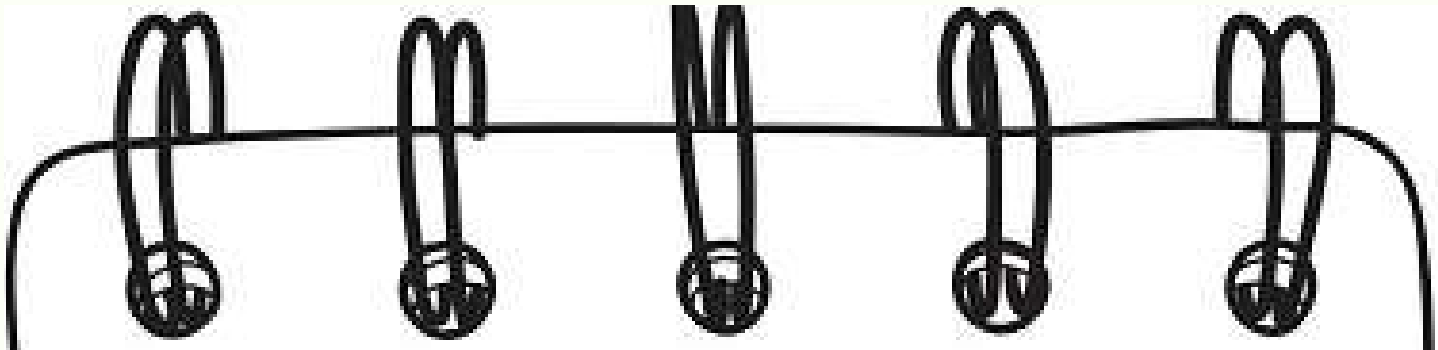
Parents' Evening
Bookings are now open for Parents' Evenings on Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th November (3:30–6:00pm). These meetings are an important part of your child's learning journey, as they give you dedicated time with your child's class teacher to discuss progress, strengths, next steps and how we can work together to support them. We strongly encourage all families to attend so that your child's hard work can be celebrated.

Wishing You a Great Weekend
Thank you for another brilliant week at Bassett Green. We hope all families enjoy a lovely weekend together. As the weather becomes more unpredictable, please ensure children come to school with waterproof coats so they can enjoy outdoor time even when it is drizzling.

Warm wishes,

Lucy Bannister
Headteacher

2026 Dates for your diary



Tuesday 20th October	Year 2 Parent Reading Session 8.30-8.50am
	Year R, 1 & 2 Halloween Disco (Tickets on Arbor)
Thursday 22nd October	Year R Parent Reading Session 8.30-8.50am
Friday 23rd October	Flu Immunisation Day
	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Halloween Disco (Tickets on Arbor)
Monday 26th October- Friday 30th October	**October Half Term- School closed**
Monday 2nd November	Second half of Autumn term begins
	MHST Parent & Carer coffee morning 8.45am
Tuesday 10th November	Autumn Parents Evening 1/2
Wednesday 11th November	Remembrance Day
Thursday 12th November	Autumn Parents Evening 2/2
Friday 13th November	BBC Children in Need
Wednesday 18th November	Year 6 Hampton Court Trip
Monday 23rd November	Year 4 swimming begins

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Dolphins
RJ

Otters
Leonor

Seahorses
Zara

Frogs
Dominic

Caterpillars
Fahad

Bats
Bilal

Ladybirds
Ali

Hedgehogs
Daisy

Badgers
Richard

Kingfishers
Liv

Rabbits
Luca

Robins
Muqeet

Falcons
Mia

Kestrels
Ali

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Weekly Attendance

Golden ticket winners for this week

Well done to all of these classes! Let us see who wins the battle next week. Our whole-school attendance target remains 96%, and every day in school makes a difference.



class VS class

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

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This weeks overall attendance: 97.3%

The school day starts at **8.30am**! Anyone arriving after this time will be marked late.

The school day finishes at **3.15pm**. Please ensure children are collected promptly.

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.	% this week	Difference from last week
Year R	93.2%	-3.6
Year 1	97.1%	+0.6
Year 2	99.3%	+0.6
Year 3	98.2%	-0.2
Year 4	96.2%	-3
Year 5	97.8%	-1.7
Year 6	98%	-1.3

SCHOOL TARGET 96%

Please report absences by **9am** each day by phone, email or via Arbor

CLICK HERE!

There are only **190 School days every year** so at Bassett Green EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!



SCHOOL TARGET 96%

Did you know that there are **175 NON School days** every year?

These are perfect for family time, visits, holidays, household jobs and other appointments.

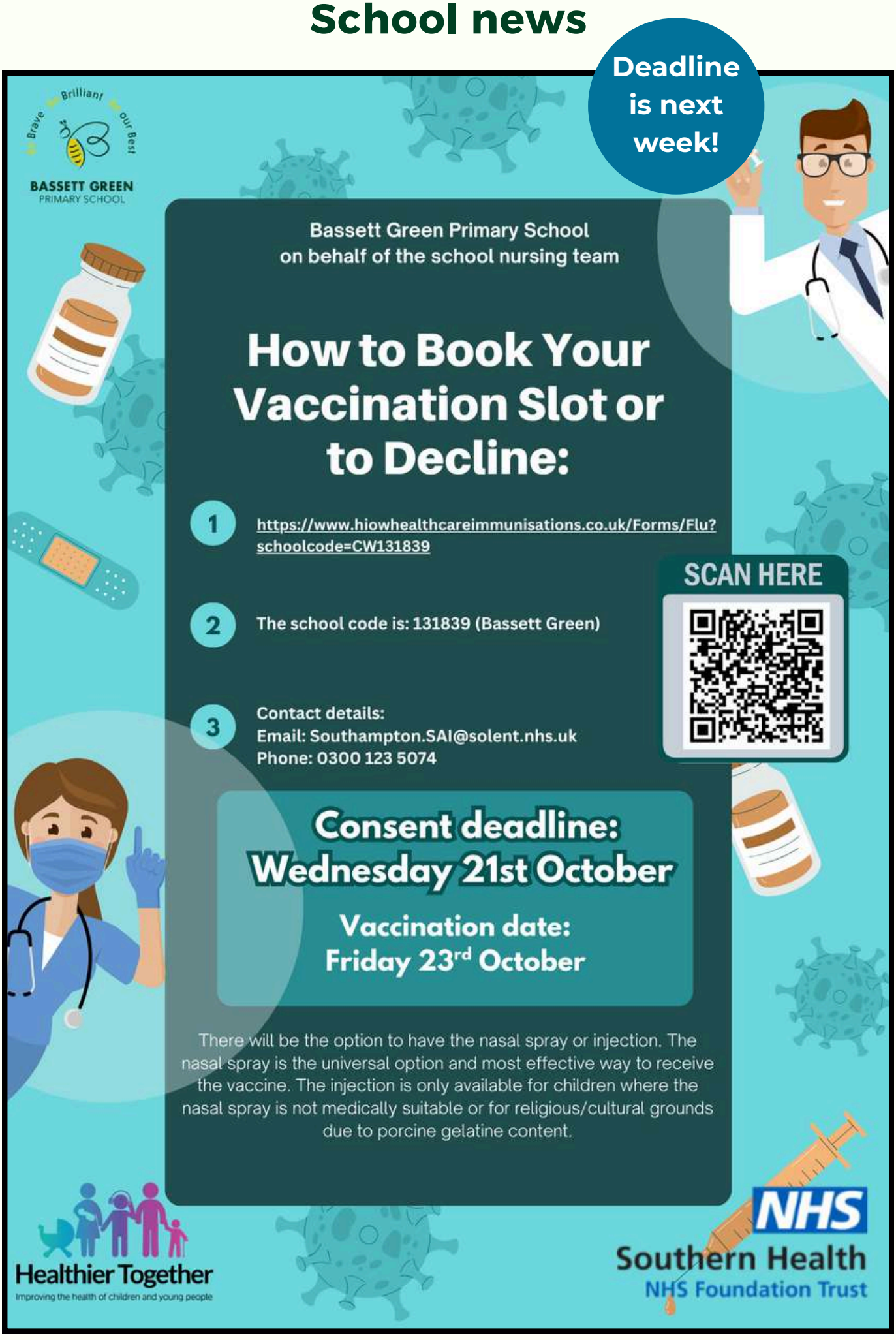
How to log daily absences via the Arbor App

LIVE from Monday 23rd February

Arbor

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Next week!

FRIENDS OF BASSETT GREEN PRESENTS:

NOT ONE BUT TWO

HALLOWEEN DISCOS

Tuesday 20th October- Year R,1,2 - 3.45-4.45pm

Friday 23rd October - Year 3,4,5,6 - 3.45-4.45pm

£3 A CHILD
UNLIMITED SQUASH AND DANCING

Dress Code:
Halloween costume or party clothes.

Tickets available to buy on Arbor

An adult (18+) must be with the child to sign them in & collect from the main hall

Tuck shop tickets also available on Arbor so the children can buy crisps and sweet treats-
please note that cash will not be accepted

Let's get moving this Walktober!

Next week is the last week!

Our school is taking part in Walktober 2026!

Walktober encourages pupils, families and staff to choose active and sustainable travel throughout October.

We hope as many of our pupils, families and staff as possible will take part by walking, wheeling, cycling, scooting, using Park and Stride or travelling by public transport for journeys to and from school, work and for other journeys too.

'Top Tips, More Trips' Competition
As part of Walktober 2026, pupils, families and staff are invited to share their top tips for active and sustainable travel through a 'Top Tips, More Trips' competition.

To take part:

- Tell us about the journey. It could be travelling to school or work, a journey made during the school or working day or a trip made in your own time.

- Share top tips that could encourage others to try a similar journey.

- Present your entry in any creative format such as a poster, article, presentation, map, video or artwork. Your child's top tips can be entered into the pupil competition and, along with entries from parents and carers, will count towards our total in the school competition

Entries can be submitted by email to myjourney.schools@southampton.gov.uk or handed in at school to the front office. The competition closes on Friday 13th November 2026 and winners will be notified by the end of term.

For more details about Walktober 2026, visit myjourneysouthampton.com/walktober

We hope you enjoy taking part!

Competition sheets available from the School Office!



Funded by UK Government

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Autumn Term Parent Reading Sessions

Come and enjoy reading with your child, in their classroom from 8:30-8:50.

- YR - Thursday 22nd October
- ~~Y1 – Tuesday 6th October~~
- Y2 - Tuesday 20th October
- ~~Y3 – Wednesday 14th October~~
- ~~Y4 – Wednesday 7th October~~
- ~~Y5 – Monday 12th October~~
- ~~Y6 – Tuesday 13th October~~

SAVE THE DATE

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THE FRIENDS OF BASSETT GREEN
PRIMARY SCHOOL
Pre-loved uniform sale
Wednesday 4th November
3-4pm
Outside the school Office
SAVE THE DATE
Come and grab a bargain!
REDUCE • REUSE • RECYCLE • ECO FIENDLY
Prices from £1
Cash & card payments accepted

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Wraparound options

Before school





After school





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Useful information

Southampton Family Trust
building relationships

Next week!















Visit their website here

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Useful information

Hampshire SENDIASS

Online Workshops

- Free impartial advice relating to SEND for 0-25 years.
- Confidential sessions not recorded.
- Peer support, talking to others experiencing a similar journey.
- A dedicated session with an experienced support worker

9 OCT 13:00	Considering an EHC Plan? Independent and impartial information to guide you through the process	13 OCT 13:00	Responding to a draft EHCP If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft
14 OCT 17:30	Appeals to SEND Tribunal A step-by-step guide through the appeals process	20 OCT 13:00	Ordinarily Available Provision and SEN Support Looking at support available for those who do not have an EHCP
28 OCT 10:00	Responding to a draft EHCP If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft	21 OCT 16:00	Alternative Provision What constitutes as a suitable education in relation to section 19 of the education act

www.hampshiresendiass.co.uk/workshops

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Happening locally in October



What's on

September - December 2026

SEACITY MUSEUM | SOUTHAMPTON CITY ART GALLERY | TUDOR HOUSE & GARDEN

OCTOBER HALF TERM

Wizard School (6yrs+)
Mon 26 & Tues 27 Oct | 10.30am, 12pm and 1.30pm | Tudor House | £8

Art for All:
Bats on Bags Printing Workshop! (4 yrs+)
Mon 26 Oct | 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

Art for All:
Autumn Watercolour Vignettes (7 yrs+)
Tue 27 Oct | 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

Art for All: Spooky Portraits! (5 yrs+)
Wed 28 Oct | 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

Hands on History: Frightening Folklore (6yrs+)
Thu 29 Oct | 10.30am, 12pm | Tudor House | £8

Art for All: Clay Pumpkins (4yrs+)
Thu 29 Oct & Fri 30 Oct | 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

CULTURE CLUB for kids

Mon 26, Tue 27, Wed 28 Oct
9am - 4pm | SeaCity | £35, £90 for all three days

Get creative, explore our collections and learn new stuff while making really cool things at our themed activity days! **Our theme for October Half Term is Spooky Autumn!**



See our "What's on" brochure or venue websites for details on workshops and to book
seacitymuseum.co.uk | tudorhouseandgarden.com | southamptoncityartgallery.com



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September - December 2026

SEACITY MUSEUM | SOUTHAMPTON CITY ART GALLERY | TUDOR HOUSE & GARDEN



Halloween Family Day at Tudor House & Garden

Friday 30 October • 10am – 5pm

Tudor House is the home of Halloween and you are invited to join in the spooky celebrations! We'll have games, face paints, spooky ghost tours and more.

£4 pre-booked Ghost Tours
Additional charges for other activities

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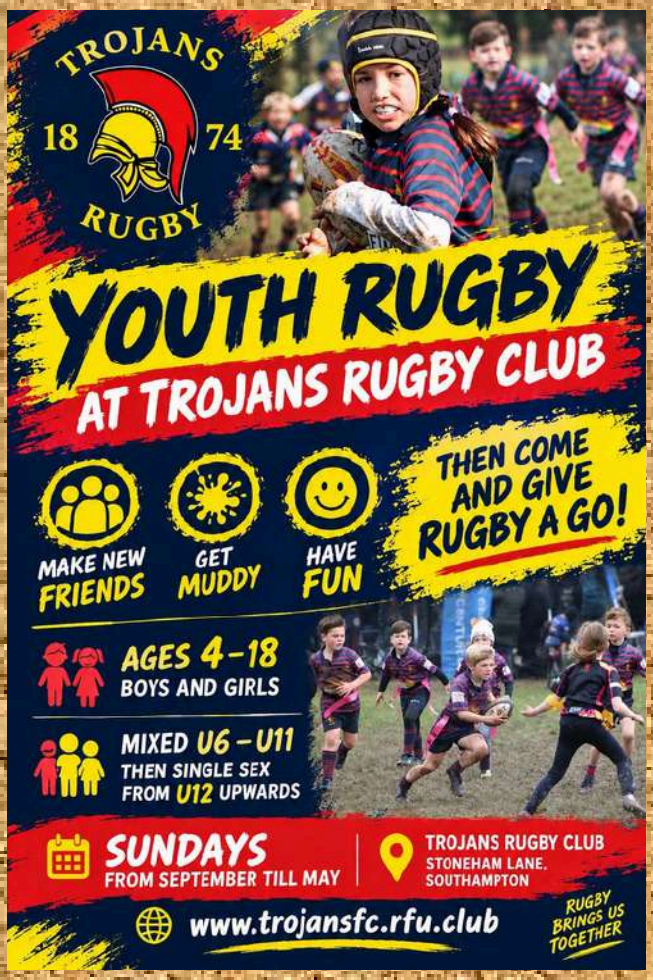






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English (ESOL) class

for adult learners in Swaythling



Learn English (ESOL)
with Southampton College
in Swaythling
Mondays
12:30 -2:30pm



Most suitable for beginner (pre-entry / New to ESOL) and elementary (Entry 1 - Entry 2) level learners

Learners must be eligible for government funding and must not be attending another funded ESOL course in 2026-27.

Booking is essential. Please message 07825 854359.

South Hampshire College Group

Information correct as of 14/09/26

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Healthy Snacks

We encourage children to bring a nutritious snack for their mid-morning break. Fresh fruit, vegetables, or plain crackers are excellent choices that provide a steady energy boost.



To help us promote healthy habits, we kindly ask that the following items stay at home for after-school treats. Sweets and chocolate of any kind, crisps, biscuits, cakes and fizzy or high-sugar drinks.



We have several children in our school community with severe allergies, particularly to nuts.

To help us keep everyone safe, please follow the guidance below:

- Our school is strictly nut free. This includes items such as peanut butter, Nutella, and any bars or snacks containing nuts.
- Playtime snacks should not include fish or dairy, as these are eaten in shared spaces. These items are absolutely fine in lunchboxes, as lunch is eaten in the hall.
- No sharing of food. Children should only eat the snacks and lunches provided from home to prevent accidental exposure to allergens.

OUR SCHOOL IS NUT FREE

Please do not bring in any nut-based products into school or in packed lunches



Please be aware that some chocolate spreads, cereal bars & cakes may contain nuts or traces of nuts- always check the ingredients label

Thank you for helping our school to be a safe environment for children with allergies

Bassett Bees Breakfast Club

Now booking for September 2026 on Arbor

Who:	All Year groups	All Year groups
When:	Monday- Friday	Monday- Friday
Time:	7.30-8am	8-8.30am
Where:	Dining Hall	Dining Hall
Cost:	£3* per session	**FREE!** As part of the Government's new free breakfast club scheme

Start your day in a calm & relaxed way with friends and a filling breakfast to get you ready and energised for the day ahead!



Pre-booking is essential!

* Breakfast club costs £3 per child and is free to those eligible for free school meals.

If you are eligible for Tax-Free Childcare, you can set up an online childcare account for your child. For every £8 you pay into this account, the government will pay in £2 to use to pay your provider.

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WRAPAROUND & SPORTS CLUBS

BOOK NOW

Sports Clubs

Monday - Gymnastics (Year 1-6)
Tuesday - KS1 Football (Year 1 & 2)
Wednesday - KS2 Football (Year 3-6)
Thursday - Basketball (Year 1-6)
Friday - Dance & Theatre (Year 1-6)

Children starting school in September 2026 can start Sports Clubs in January 2027

Session	Time	Price
Sports Club Only	15.15-16.15	£4.75
Wraparound	15.15-16.15	£6.50 (Snack included)
Wraparound (After Sports Club)	16.15-18.00	£8.25 (Snack included)
Wraparound Year R - Year 6	15.15-18.00	£13 (Snack included)



BOOKINGS OPEN 1ST JUNE 2026

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Our uniform suppliers

Helpful links for buying uniform



Skoolkit

M Clothing

Year 6 only



teamhoodies.co.uk

Year 6 only

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Useful QR codes

Helpful links to websites & apps

School website

facebook

Arbor

PTA Events

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