



# APPLE PIE

## THE ORCHARD YEAR

### 2013 -2014

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## THE SCHOOL YEAR

What a fantastic year for Orchard it has been.

The children continue to exude the confidence, pride and happiness that we would want from each and every child. Many of you will have noticed our new School motto that we've adopted... "Growing Together. Branching Out." Time after time when walking through the School, I am overwhelmed with the children's dedication to their work, and the staff's commitment to making Orchard the best possible school environment for the children to making this ethos the reality.

All this would not be possible without the support of the parents. Parents are

such an integral part to any child's success at School and I thank you for what you've done to support your child this year. I hope you've enjoyed the opportunities this year to attend assemblies and other events during the year to help you share in the work your child does. We have every intention for this to continue and develop.

Throughout this year's edition of Apple Pie, to whom I've very grateful for Sara's dedication in editing it, I'm sure you will recognise the real vibe on what makes Orchard the very special place for our children that it is.

Chris Parker  
Headteacher

### ORCHARD STAFF

In September 2013 we welcomed the following new members of staff:

Mrs Karen Luke as Senior Teacher, Mr Olaf Mathar and Miss Gemma Latham as Class teachers and Miss Karen Reed as Pupil Premium support teacher. Also joining us Mrs Adele Wooldridge, librarian, Suzanne Trunley, office, Nicky Mills, cleaner and 6 new lunchtime supervisors. All have settled well into their respective roles and are established within the Orchard Family. This July we are bidding farewell to Ramona Sticklen, LSA and Jenny Digby, Cleaner, who are retiring after more than 20 years at Orchard Junior School. Our sincere thanks to them both!

## ORCHARD GIRLS ARE NATIONAL CHAMPIONS!

Another successful sporting year for our girls' football team came to a close with them winning the Danone ESFA national girls competition. This was the second time an Orchard team had made it to the national finals and the girls were determined this would be their year!

With the skies blackened and the continued onslaught of torrential rain the girls continued to battle on through the tournament which was hosted at Aston Villa's training ground. They came back from qualifying second in the group stages to defeat St Joseph's RC Primary School, the only team that had beaten them through the entire campaign in the final.

The match was extremely tense with



Ella Morris scoring two early goals to take the lead. The game finished 2-1 with the ecstatic crowd rushing on to the pitch in excitement once the realisation of what the girls had accomplished had kicked in.

Richard Hastings, who has worked

tirelessly with the team said, "I am extremely proud of what the girls have achieved. Through their hard work and dedication to training since joining Orchard Junior School I am chuffed to say this is now the best girls schools football team in the Country."

Danone, the sponsors of the competition, organised a celebratory open-top bus ride from Dibden

Purlieu to Southampton on Monday 14th July. What a way to end their time at Orchard Junior School!!

The school community are extremely proud of Mr Hastings and his wonderful team.

The team: Ella (captain), Caitlin, Amber, Ella, Sian, Kayleigh, Lydia, Hannah and Brooke.

# ACHIEVEMENTS 2013–2014

## CROSS COUNTRY



The New Forest Relays were won by the Year 6 girls with the boy coming second.

In the New Forest Championships there were individual wins for Ella Morris and Lex Vaughan. Also a team victory for the Year 6 girls.

Hordle Walhampton—another win for Lex Vaughan and another gold medal for the Year 6 girls team.

## ATHLETICS

A team of eight tackled four events each to determine the best all-round team in the New Forest in the Quad Kids Athletics Championships. Not only did the team win the event but we had the top three all-round girls for the whole competition.



## FOOTBALL



The boys' league team reached the 3rd round of the Hampshire Cup. They also won the league on goal difference closely piping rivals Bartley and Abbottswood. The boys tournament team reached the 4th round in the City cup. They also did extremely well in the Wide Lane and indoor tournaments.

The year 5 team reached the 4th round of the Hampshire Cup which is the best Year 5 have done in many years. The Year 4 team also came second in the in the New Forest astro-tournament.

## NETBALL

The League Team were unbeaten all year. Scoring in excess of 70 goals in six matches. A fantastic effort!!

At the New Forest Tournament the A and B teams met in the semi-finals with the A team going through to the final and being crowned New Forest Champions 2014.



## NATIONAL INTER-SCHOOL QUIZ CHAMPIONSHIP

Following preliminary school based rounds two teams were chosen to represent Orchard in the first national round. The area heats, held at Ashley Junior School, were fiercely contested with the Daniel's team progressing to the semi-finals of the competition held in Chandler's Ford. The team demonstrated an impressive depth of knowledge across a range of subjects but were unable to progress on to the national finals. Teams: Sam, Ethan, Alice and Emily. Daniel, Claire, Jakub and Thomas.

## TENNIS



This has been our most successful year for all our tennis teams with the Year 3/4 team becoming New Forest Champions.

## BASKETBALL

The basketball team won the New Forest qualifiers at Noadswood. beating Abbotswood in the final.

