

Dear Parents/Carers

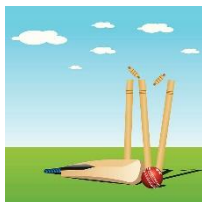
Welcome to weekly newsletter.

House Captains

This week children from Years 3-6 elected our new House Captains. Well done to everyone who stood for election and made a speech in the House Assemblies. Congratulations to the following children who will lead their House over the coming year.

Centaurs	Dragons	Phoenix	Unicorns
Amelia & Jude H Falcons Toby & Freya W Hawks	Mark & Holly Falcons Henry J & Sophie Hawks	Jamie & Jessica P Falcons Elise & Rowan Hawks	Melissa & Ethan Falcons Molly & Jude B Hawks

Curriculum news

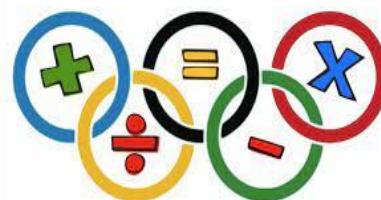


Cricket

Key Stage 2 children enjoyed a cricket assembly from Fred Bridges from Sussex CCC. Afterwards, Fred worked with Years 3 and 5 who enjoyed developing their bowling and catching skills. We are also pleased that Fred will be running an after-school club.

Maths competition

On Wednesday 14th September, four Y6 pupils (Jessica P, Amy R, Samuel W and Noah W) took part in a Maths competition at Bohunt Secondary school. The children went through three different rounds of questions of 20 minutes each. There was a speed test, a cross number puzzle, and a logic round. Some questions were really hard but our children never lost their nerve and always worked extremely well as a team. We finished 4th, with only 5 points difference from the 3rd place. Well done to our four mathematicians! *Ms Duo*



Safeguarding



The children have been reminded that they should not be using the play equipment or adventure trails before and after school due to safety and insurance purposes. Thank you also for ensuring that scooters and bikes are walked across the playground for the safety of everyone concerned.

Many children and parents use the crossing point near the KS2 gates when entering or exiting the school site. Unfortunately, some cars park near here and it is difficult for children to see the cars driving along the road and vice-versa. We are hoping to install some safety flags shortly but in the meantime, please keep an eye out for children crossing the road.

Parent/Carer Child Digital Safety Online Survey

West Sussex County Council's Community Safety & Wellbeing Team are keen to understand local views from parents and carers about their child's digital resilience and what support they may need, in order to better shape and direct future online safety support and resources. The [Digital Safety Online Survey for Parents and Carers](#) closes 30th September 2022.



Picture News

This week's Take Home sheet will interest anyone interested in environmental issues and asks 'Could we live our lives without plastic?' See underneath for more information.

TAKEHOME



In the news this week

Could we live our lives without plastic?



A housing association has built Europe's first virtually plastic-free housing development in the UK. Built by GreenSquareAccord, the £1.3m project in Redditch, Worcestershire consists of 12 affordable one-bedroom homes built using plastic-free alternatives to reduce environmental impact. Each apartment features many alternatives, such as wooden kitchen units and aluminium window frames. The wiring uses a mineral-based insulation rather than the usual plastic, and solar thermal heating systems are also installed.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your thoughts on this week's story. Do you think it's a good idea to create virtually plastic-free homes? Did you realise there was so much plastic in homebuilding?
- > Think about your usage of plastic in a typical day, how much do you encounter in your everyday life?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Diary dates (new dates will appear in bold)

Autumn 2022	
Mon 19 th – Fri 23 rd September	Y6 Bowles residential trip
Tuesday 20 th September 3.15	Year 3 information meeting for parents
Thursday 22nd September 3.15	Y1 information meeting for parents
Tuesday 4 th October	Harvest Festival
Mon 24th – Fri 28th October	HALF TERM break
Monday 31 st October	School closed for INSET day
Tuesday 1 st November	Flu vaccinations
Tuesday 8 th November	School photographs - individuals
Tues 8 th & Thurs 10 th November	Parent Consultations
Friday 11 th November	Remembrance service
Wednesday 7 th December	KS2 Carol Concert at St. Mary's church
Friday 16 th December	Last day of the Autumn term
Friday 9 th December	Christmas assemblies at St. Marks church
Spring 2023	
Tuesday 3 rd January	First day of the Spring term

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards,

Ian Holmes