

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Curriculum news

We might be nearing the end of term but there is still plenty happening!

Horsham Children's Parade

We thoroughly enjoyed being part of the Horsham Children's Parade which took place on Sunday 9th July. Here is a photo of our walking float based on The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss. The children really enjoyed being part of such a big event and we would like to thank everyone who lined the route to support us and especially Mrs Laws and Mrs Coghill for their help in making the Cat and all the associated props.



EYFS visit Washbrook's Farm

Reception children had a lovely time at Washbrook's Farm on Wednesday. They met lots of animals, went for a bumpy tractor ride and had a great time on the play equipment. I was lucky enough to accompany the children and can confirm that it was lots of fun!

Y6 Production



The Year 6 production of 'I'm an 11-year-old Get Me Out Of Here!' was a triumph. There were three performances which were thoroughly appreciated by pupils, staff and parents alike. Lines were spoken confidently, the catchy songs were sung loudly and clearly and the fantastic dancing was choreographed by the children themselves. There was great teamwork and everyone played their part in making it a memorable experience that they should be very proud of.

Recorder Concert



Children from Years 1 – 4 took part in a recorder concert to their peers and then parents on Tuesday afternoon. They performed a medley of tunes, which clearly demonstrated their progress and skills in learning the recorder. Well done!

Open Afternoon and Transition

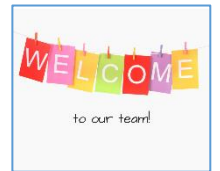
It was great to see so many parents at our Open Afternoon yesterday. The children also had their first transition session with their new teacher/s and will have another one next Monday 17th July. In addition to the transition sessions, staff will have a series of meetings to ensure that there is a thorough handover between the class teachers, so that all important information is shared effectively.

Staffing



Miss Veal (currently Eagles) is getting married during the summer break. We wish her and her partner many congratulations for the happy event and the future. When she returns for the autumn term, she will be known as Mrs Souques (pronounced Sooks).

We welcome two new Teaching and Learning Support Assistants, Miss Windwood & Mrs Woodward, who have recently joined our wonderful support staff team.



Children can become superstars at the library this summer!



Do you know a child aged 4 – 11 years? Why not encourage them to take part in this year's **Summer Reading Challenge** at their local library?

Their challenge is to choose and read some amazing library books over the holiday. They also receive a fab Champion's booklet and the more they read the more scratch and sniff smelly stickers they collect. There are fun activities in the library too, including a

Character Hunt with a chance of entering a prize draw. If they complete the challenge by Saturday 9 September, they are rewarded with a medal and certificate. They just need a library card to join in the fun.

What's more, it's free to join the library and free to take part! The fun starts on Saturday 8 July. To find out more, take a look at our special [animation video](#), 'West Sussex Libraries - Ready, Set, Read! the Summer Reading Challenge 2023 video' and then register with the challenge at <https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/welcome> or scan the QR code.



Swimming opportunity

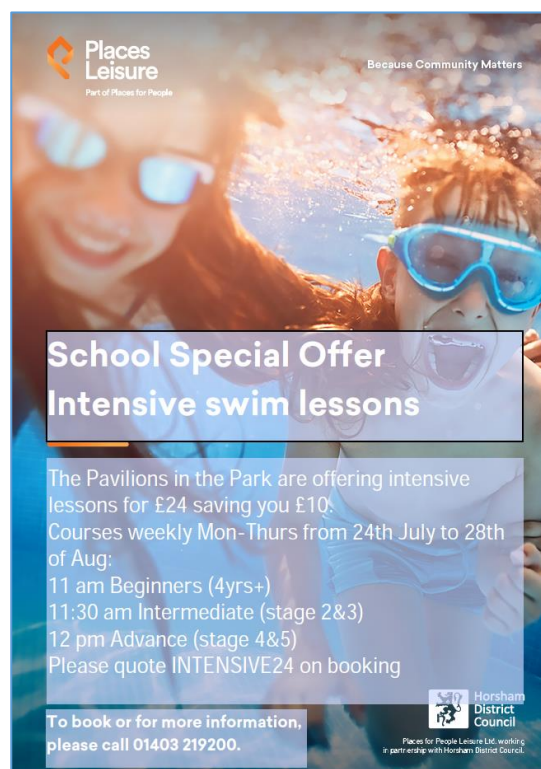
Places Leisure are keen to support more of the communities children to learn to swim and to also achieve the national curriculum target of being able to swim confidently 25 metres by the end of year 6. Being able to swim is an important life skill and also a great way to participate in sport and be physically active.

The intensive lessons are daily lessons Monday to Thursday and aimed at swimmers that cannot yet confidently swim 25 metres or need to refine their technique. These courses usually cost £34, but are being offered to schools that have term time swimming lessons with us at a subsidised rate of just £24 per child.

If you would like to book your child into one of the Intensive Swimming Courses, please contact The Pavilions in the Park Leisure Centre stating the name of your child or children's school and the offer code INTENSIVE24. Places are limited and offered on a 'first come first serve' basis.

Email: swimming@thepavilionsinthepark.co.uk

Tel: 01403 219200



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School Special Offer Intensive swim lessons

The Pavilions in the Park are offering intensive lessons for £24 saving you £10. Courses weekly Mon-Thurs from 24th July to 28th of Aug:

- 11 am Beginners (4yrs+)
- 11:30 am Intermediate (stage 2&3)
- 12 pm Advance (stage 4&5)

Please quote INTENSIVE24 on booking

To book or for more information, please call 01403 219200.

Horsham District Council
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Picture News

This week the topic for discussion is **'Should you always want to win?'** – see below.



TAKEHOME

10 - 16 July

In the news this week

Should you always want to win?

ALWAYS LIKE NEVER BEFORE

The world-famous Wimbledon tennis tournament is currently underway and will conclude on 16th July. Experienced player, Venus Williams, made her 24th appearance in the singles draw at Wimbledon after the 43-year-old American was given a wild card entry. Venus is a five-time Wimbledon singles champion and reached the final in 2017, 20 years after her first appearance there.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Ask adults at home what they know about the Wimbledon tennis tournament. Have you watched any of it together this year?
- Share your experiences of winning and losing with someone at home and ask them to share theirs. Think about how each feels and what you can learn from both situations.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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CHARTWELLS 2023 / 2024 ORDER CUT OFF DATES

CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59	FOR WEEK COMMENCING
24th August 2023	4th September 2023
31st August 2023	11th September 2023
7th September 2023	18th September 2023
14th September 2023	25th September 2023
21st September 2023	2nd October 2023
28th September 2023	9th October 2023
5th October 2023	16th October 2023

Diary dates (new dates will appear in bold)

SUMMER TERM	
Monday 17 th July	Transition day 2
Monday 17 th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly 1.30pm
Tuesday 18 th July	Y6 BBQ 6pm
Friday 21 st July	Last Day of Term
Friday 1st September	Inset Day- School closed to pupils
Monday 4th September	First day of Term for Y1-Y6
Thursday 7th September	First Day of Term Reception classes
Monday 23rd – Friday 27th Oct	Half Term
Monday 30th Oct	Inset Day- School closed to pupils
Friday 15th December	Last Day of Term

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,



Ian Holmes
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