

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Curriculum news

Year 2 were out and about in the local Holbrook area this week as part of their geography learning about human and physical features. They had a lovely walk along North Heath Lane and also completed a traffic survey, tallying the different vehicles they saw.



Harvest Festival

Thank you for your generous donations and support for our Harvest Festival. The School Council members helped to collect the food items and display it in the Hall, where Reverend Coldicott led two special assemblies for the children. The Salvation Army were extremely grateful and will ensure that the food is distributed to those in the Horsham community who need it the most.



Parent Governor Vacancies.

We currently have two vacancies for parent governors- as a current parent at the school, you have the opportunity to help shape and support the development of the school. Applying is simple: just download the nomination form sent on ParentMail (from 4th Oct or 27th Sept), fill out your details, and write a short "election statement" – just a few sentences – that describes why you want to join or what skills or life experience you have. Get 2 other parents at the school to support your nomination (ask them to sign your form), and return it to the School Office by Monday 9am.



WEBINARS FOR PARENTS/CARERS SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR MENTAL HEALTH

- 19TH OCTOBER ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER (ADHD)
- 8TH NOVEMBER BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM AND RESILIENCE
- 13TH DECEMBER DEPRESSION
- 17TH JANUARY OBSSESSIVE COMPULSIVE DISORDER (OCD)

Sussex CAMHS and Partner Organisations are offering a rolling programme of webinars for parents/carers who are supporting children and young people with their mental health. Each webinar will take place at 10am and 7pm and will run for 90-120 minutes.

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WANT TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS?

Or visit: <https://ticketlab.co.uk/series/id/1081/Sussex-CAMHS-ParentCarer-Webinars#/>

NEED TO GET IN TOUCH?
If you have any questions, please email: CAMHSparticipationTeam@spnhs.uk

Delivered by Sussex Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)

Mental Health - Free webinars for parents/carers

Sussex CAMHS and Partner organisations are offering a rolling programme of webinars for parents/carers who are supporting children and young people with their mental health. These are free to any parent/carer living in Sussex. Visit this link for further information and to book tickets <https://ticketlab.co.uk/series/id/1081/Sussex-CAMHS-ParentCarer-Webinars#/>

Volunteering in school.

Volunteers are a vital and most appreciated part of school life, whether it be helping in the library, listening to children reading, general admin or tidying up the outdoor spaces - we need you!

If you can spare an hour or so on a regular basis, please let us know [here](#). We will be collating all the information before half term and will be in touch shortly after.



Safeguarding

Children may wear a simple watch to school to help them learn to tell the time (providing this doesn't cause distractions to learning). However, some smart watches can take photographs and are not suitable for school due to this feature, which raises privacy and safeguarding concerns. If your child has one of these watches, then please ensure that they are not worn to school. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

CHARTWELLS ORDER CUT OFF DATES

CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59	FOR WEEK COMMENCING
October Half Term	
19th October 2023	30th October 2023
26th October 2023	6th November 2023
2nd November 2023	13th November 2023
9th November 2023	20th November 2023
16th November 2023	27th November 2023
23rd November 2023	4th December 2023

Picture News

This week the topic for discussion is 'Can anyone break a world record?' – see below.



In the news this week



The 2024 edition of the Guinness World Records has been released. This year, over 30,000 applicants submitted their achievements, but only 2,638 records were selected for the edition, which features more than 80% new and updated records. The annual collection of records has run since 1955, when it was first inspired by the question 'What's the fastest game bird in Europe?'. Its latest edition is themed around the Blue Planet, with a number of records celebrated, including those set by impressive marine creatures, adventurous sailors and record-breaking lakes, rivers and icescapes.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you know any world records?
- > If you were to attempt a world record, what do you think you would try to do and why?
- > What do you think the benefits would be of setting or breaking a world record?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Diary dates (new dates will appear in bold)

Autumn 2023	
Mon 24th – Fri 28th October	HALF TERM break
Monday 30 th October	School closed for INSET day
Tuesday 7 th November	School photographs - individuals
Tues 7 th & Thurs 9 th November	Parent Consultations
Friday 10 th November	Remembrance service
Tuesday 14 th November	Y1 trip to Lewes Castle
Thursday 23 rd November	Flu Vaccinations
Friday 24 th November	Y5 Trip to Newhaven Fort
Saturday 2 nd December	FOH Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 6 th December	KS2 Carol Concert at St. Mary's church
Friday 15 th December	Last day of the Autumn term
Friday 8 th December	Christmas assemblies at St. Marks church
Wednesday 13 th December	Christmas Lunch & dress up day
Date tbc	EYFS & KS1 Nativity productions

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards,



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