

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.



Lots of fun in Robins class this week investigating shadows in science.

### Curriculum news

Year 3 children had a great week learning about shadows, which helped prepare them for their own puppet shows.



### Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

On Wednesday, a group of 8 children from Years 3 and 4 attended the Diana Award Anti-Bullying training at Millais school. They learnt to identify bullying behaviour and how to support their peers.

Well done to Ava, Tristan, Murilo and Erin in year 3 and Sophia, Evie, Vincent and Bill in year 4. They will join our existing team of Year 5 and 6 students and will be meeting next week to put their plans into place.



### Responsibility

One of school values is Responsibility and it wonderful to see so many children taking on positions of responsibility in the school. This enables more people to take part and help in the smooth running of the school. Our latest positions include Reading Ambassadors, Anti Bullying Ambassadors (see above), School Council and House Captains.

**Reading Ambassadors:** Matthew S, Ella B, Cece J, George K, Emma W, Louie N, Luke E, Sophia S, Eoin Q, Bella B, Jona H, Gracie B, Eva G, India J, Marcy S, Calum S, Tom O, Takara H, Meagan R, Blake W

**School Council:** Jonah J, Chloe C, Hugo L, Everly H, Olivia J, Amber B, Jamie H, Sofia M, Lily S, Jessie S

**House Captains:** Jack C, Thomas N, Iris H, Brooke B, Elliot R, Jacob W, Jess F, Holly S, Archie J, Marni E, Lily W, Rhea M, Jack B, Boris G, Josie A, Ava B

### Parent Governors

We are pleased to announce that Fay Descombes is one of our new parent governors. Mrs Descombe joins Mr Chris Brett who is re-elected to the governing body.

### Safeguarding

The NSPCC website is a good source of information and guides about how to help children who are worried or anxious. The link can be found [here](#).

## Mentoring

Next week begins the mentoring sessions for children where they will have the opportunity to talk to their teacher about their progress and new targets.

To facilitate this the children will have sessions with the Brighton and Hove sports coaches, **instead** of the usual PE lessons (apart from swimming which will happen as usual). Please see the timetable below to find out when your child has coaching sessions and ensure that your child is wearing PE kit on that day.

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 4

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 6

Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 2

Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 3

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 5 & Year 4

Tues 31<sup>st</sup> Oct – Year 1

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – Year 6 & Year 2

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Year 3 & Year 1

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Year 5

## Picture News

This week the topic for discussion is **'How does change happen?'** – see below.



## In the news this week

October is Black History Month in the UK. This year's theme is 'Saluting our Sisters' - highlighting the role Black women have played in shaping history, inspiring change, and building communities in the UK. Commemorations will feature Black women, who have made outstanding contributions to many areas including music, literature, fashion, sport, business, politics, and health care.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Share what you already know and understand about Black History Month in the UK.
- This year's theme is 'Saluting our Sisters'. What are some of the ways that you think we could do this?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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**CHARTWELLS ORDER CUT OFF DATES**

<b>CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59</b>	<b>FOR WEEK COMMENCING</b>
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
30 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	11 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
21 <sup>st</sup> December 2023	2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2024
28 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Diary dates (new dates will appear in bold)**

<b>Autumn 2023</b>	
<b>Mon 24<sup>th</sup> – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>HALF TERM break</b>
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	School closed for INSET day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	School photographs - individuals
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> & Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Consultations
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance service
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Y1 trip to Lewes Castle
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Y5 Bowles meeting</b>
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5 Trip to Newhaven Fort
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	FOH Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert at St. Mary's church
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of the Autumn term
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas assemblies at St. Marks church
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas Lunch & dress up day
Date tbc	EYFS & KS1 Nativity productions

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards,



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