

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

### Curriculum

We made the most of the lovely weather this week by taking some of our learning outside the classroom.

Year 4 enjoyed finding living things and learning about habitats this week.

Year 3 examined a variety of plants and drew pictures labelling the parts.

Year 2 read and performed their poetry to each other in pairs.



### Curriculum information

Summer term curriculum letters are now available for each year group, informing you of the curriculum plans for the summer term. Please follow the link below to access the correct area of the website:-

[Reception](#) [Year 1](#) [Year 2](#) [Year 3](#) [Year 4](#) [Year 5](#) [Year 6](#)

### Sports news

#### Cricket

On Monday, children from year 1 and year 2 took part in the cricket festival at Millais. The sun was shining, the children were excited and it was a fun packed morning. Led by the year 9 sports leads, including some old Holbrook pupils, the children took part in a range of cricket skills-based activities. Lots of fun was had by all with some future cricket stars in the making.

*Mrs Davies*

***See later in the newsletter for information about more exciting cricketing opportunities.***



## Safeguarding – Sun safety

Although the hot, sunny weather is not set to last, we encourage the children to develop healthy habits to stay safe in the sun – namely to drink plenty of water, apply sunscreen before school, bring a hat and move to the shade if too hot.



## Road safety

Staying safe on our roads isn't just a skill — it's a lifelong habit. It is crucial to learn key strategies for helping children navigate streets safely and confidently, from practising journeys together to teaching them how to choose the safest crossing points.

Wake up Wednesday has collaborated with THINK! to offer real-world advice on issues like the dangers of parked vehicles, reversing cars and mobile phone distractions — it's an invaluable tool for parents and educators who want to help young people travel independently without compromising their safety. Please click on the poster for a larger image to discuss with your child.

## FREE Parent events

West Sussex Parent Carer Forum have two FREE events coming up in May. There is an online event on [8 May 2025, 19:00 - 21:00](#), and an in person event in Worthing on [20 May 2025, 10:00 - 13:00](#), where they will be providing clear and accessible information to families who have children under the age of 11, on the type of support that can be offered to their child if they have additional needs.

They have 2 expert speakers at the event, who will be sharing practical help, advice, and guidance for supporting children in the home and at school. Refreshments will be available at the in-person event, along with a marketplace from other services in West Sussex, so that parents/carers can find out more information about what support is available for their child locally.

## WORKSHOPS & TRAINING

What can be done to support our children aged 4-11 in school?

Join us to explore what opportunities, guidance, and support are available for children who need additional support in school

Hear from expert speakers including:

Kit Messenger – Tips on school anxiety & executive functioning

Gemma Humphrey – Understanding the support schools should offer

*Join from the comfort of your home & get your questions answered!*

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May  
 7:00pm - 9:00pm  
 ONLINE

To book your place, head on over to [www.wspcf.org.uk/events](http://www.wspcf.org.uk/events) or scan the QR code ➔

## Cricket opportunities from Sussex Cricket

Thank you to those who have attended a skills festival over the last couple of weeks. A quick reminder of cricket opportunities outside of school for your pupils.

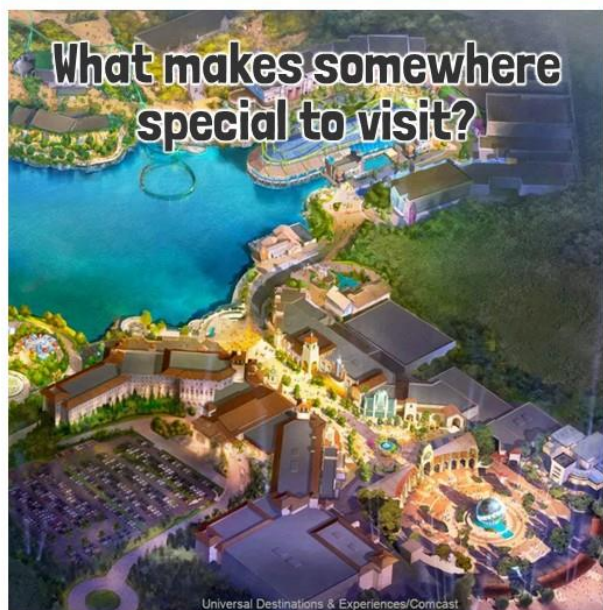
As well as local cricket club traditional offerings, [All Stars \(5-8yrs\)](#) and [Dynamos \(8-11yrs\)](#) offer an easy route into cricket and trying the game out in a cricket club environment and starts across Sussex next week! It's really easy to sign up, just visit the website and put in your postcode, to find your most local offering.



## Picture News

This week's topic for discussion is 'What makes somewhere special to visit?' – see below.

### TAKEHOME 5th - 11th May



## In the news this week

The government has recently announced that a theme park will be built in the UK, due to open in 2031. The brand-new Universal theme park will be the first in Europe, located in Bedfordshire, England. Universal Pictures is a US entertainment company, well known for creating movies such as Sing, Despicable Me, Shrek and The Grinch. It currently has five theme parks across the world, with plans to build more.

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

- Share your response to the news about a new theme park in the UK with someone at home. Is it somewhere you would like to visit?
- Have you been to any other theme parks? Have others at home? If not, would you like to?
- Can you think of a place that is special to you? What makes it special?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

[www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss](http://www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss)



CHARTWELLS ORDER CUT OFF DATES	
CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59	FOR WEEK COMMENCING
8 <sup>th</sup> May	19 <sup>th</sup> May
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	2 <sup>nd</sup> June
29 <sup>th</sup> May	9 <sup>th</sup> June
5 <sup>th</sup> June	16 <sup>th</sup> June
12 <sup>th</sup> June	23 <sup>rd</sup> June
19 <sup>th</sup> June	30 <sup>th</sup> June

Diary Dates (new additions in bold)	
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Spring Concert
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	VE Day 80 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs Week
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Class Photos
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	INSET day- school closed to pupils
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>YR trip to Washbrooks Farm</b>
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>FOH non uniform day (chocolate tombola donations)</b>
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day KS2- am EY/KS1-pm
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Y6 Bikeability starts
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>FOH Non uniform day (Bottle tombola donations)</b>
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Y2 trip to Drusillas</b>
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	FOH Summer Fayre

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,



Ian Holmes  
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