

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Reception Visit Washbrooks Farm



On Wednesday, our Reception class dodged the rain to enjoy a fun-filled day at Washbrooks Farm. During the morning, the children learned about a variety of farm animals, experienced an exciting tractor ride, and even had the opportunity to gently stroke some of the animals. It was a wonderful hands-on learning experience for everyone. After lunch—and a shower of rain—the fun continued in the play area. The children had a fantastic time exploring the bouncy pillows, sandpit, pirate ship, and much more. We were incredibly proud of our youngest learners on their first school trip. They were exceptionally well behaved, embraced every moment with enthusiasm, and represented Holbrook School brilliantly.

Sports News



Year 3 attended a fielding and striking event this week at The Bridge leisure centre. They got to experience stoolball, cricket, rounders and football. Many of these sports were new to us!

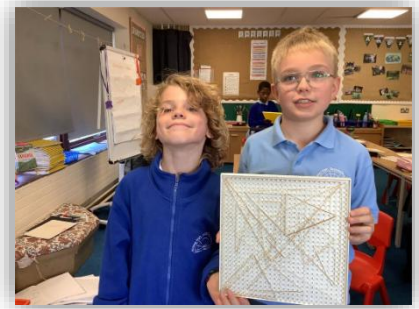
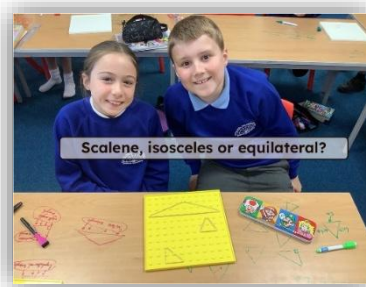
We had a great time and everyone did brilliantly, showing resilience even when it was tricky.

Curriculum

Year 2 play leaders led their PE lesson this week teaching all of Year 2 how to play a Rock, Paper, Scissors game they learned in club. Well done Kit, Jess, Joshua and Cayden.



Year 4 pupils used pinboards to investigate scalene, isosceles and equilateral triangles



Sports Day

Next Wednesday 17th June is our Sports Day. KS2 events take place from 9:15am to approx. 11:30am. EYFS/KS1 events start from 1:30pm. The KS2 gates will be open from 9am and 1.15 for approx 15 minutes to allow parents to enter and then will be closed for safeguarding reasons. We encourage parents to arrive early, as once the gates are closed, we cannot guarantee entry as this is a whole school event and the office may not be manned. Further details can be found in a Parentmail sent earlier this week.

Safeguarding - Summer Safety Padlet

The Summer Safety Padlet is a new online resource, designed by the West Sussex County Council Public Health team, for parents and carers, bringing together key information, resources and support services to help families stay safe this summer. It can be found via [this link](#).

Support for young carers in West Sussex

Many children take on the role of caring for someone in their family, and as a result, they often face unique challenges that can impact their physical and mental health, social connections, and academic success. The pressures of caring can lead to isolation and difficulty accessing essential services. For young carers, these demands often come at the cost of their education, career aspirations, and personal wellbeing. The following support is available to help young carers:

[West Sussex County Council Young Carers Family Service](#)

Our service supports young carers under 18 through a young carers assessment, which could provide information, support, advice, direct work, respite, signposting and overall family support. They are also able to support young carers' mental health which is affected by their caring responsibilities.

[Carers Support For Young Adults - Young Carers](#)

Register today for free carer information, advice, guidance and support.



PSHE curriculum meeting

A reminder of our PSHE/RSHE meeting **Monday 15th June 8:45-9:30am in the studio**. where we will explain the changes (which are minimal) to the curriculum and also, to share some of the resources (including 'No Outsiders' books) we use with each year group. The curriculum can be found here [here](#).



The Big Future



Please find a message from Dame Rachel de Souza, Children's Commissioner for England

Hi, my name is Rachel and my job is to hear from all children and young people in England.

As the Children's Commissioner I've launched this [survey](#) so you can have your say on what it's like to be a child or young person in England today. I will take your views to the Government, to help them make life better for children.

Everything you tell me will be kept private. You don't have to answer any question if you don't want to. There are no right or wrong answers. Just answer honestly! To find out more, visit my [website](#).

FOH Summer Fair

This year's summer fair will be held on Saturday 27th June 11-3pm. These events cannot go ahead without our family volunteers, so if you have a spare hour or two and would like to help, you can sign up [here](#).



Chartwells Hot Meal Ordering

CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59	FOR WEEK COMMENCING
18 th June	29 th June
25 th June	6 th July
2 nd July	13 th July
9 th July	20 th July

Diary Dates (new additions in bold)	
Wed 17 th June	Sports Day 9.30- KS2, 1.30- KS1
Thursday 18 th June	Y5/Y6 girls cricket at Horsham CC
Friday 26th June	District Sports
Friday 26 th June	Y2 trip to Drusillas
Saturday 27 th June	FOH Summer Fayre 11-3pm
Tuesday 7 th July	Y6 Production
Wednesday 8th July	Open Afternoon (more details to follow)
Mon 13 th July	Y6 Leaver's Assembly
Thursday 9 th July	Y6 Production

Have an enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Holmes'.

Ian Holmes
Headteacher