

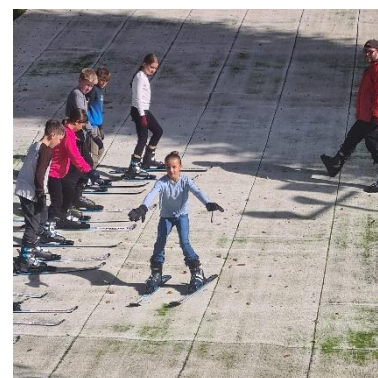
Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Year 6 Bowles residential visit

Year 6 had an absolutely brilliant residential at Bowles! The children were fantastic ambassadors for our school and made us exceptionally proud. They demonstrated wonderful independence, resilience and teamwork, tackling every challenge with enthusiasm and supporting each other along the way. There were smiles, laughter and plenty of memorable moments, and it was fantastic to see everyone having SO much fun! What a wonderful experience for our Year 6 children.

Mrs Dodsley & Miss Midmer



Curriculum news



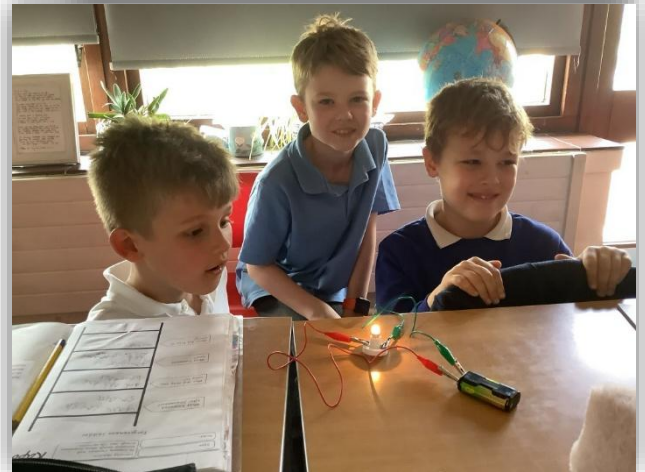
Year 3
pond dipping



Year 2
abstract map
artwork



Year 5
dissolving
experiment



Year 4
simple circuits

Responsibility

One of our school values is Responsibility, and it is wonderful to see so many children embracing opportunities to serve our school community through leadership roles. These important positions enable pupils to develop leadership skills, contribute positively to school life and play an active part in helping our school run smoothly. We were delighted to introduce the following pupils as our new House Captains during today's Celebration Assembly:

Centaurs: Murilo FS, Jensen W, Effie J, Isla S

Unicorns: Faith L, Jasmine D, Zach C, Louie N

Phoenix: Sopha S, Niamh C, James D, Daniel T

Dragons: Sienna H, Ava C, Basil E, Joseph W



Safeguarding - Considerate parking

A polite reminder to all parents and visitors to park safely and considerately when dropping off or collecting children. Please avoid blocking driveways, parking on zig-zag markings, or stopping in locations that may obstruct visibility for pedestrians. Thank you for helping us keep our children, families and local residents safe and ensuring the start and end of the school day runs smoothly for everyone.

The Big Future

A message from Dame Rachel de Souza, Children's Commissioner for England. *I am getting in touch personally, as Children's Commissioner, to ask for your help in making sure the children and young people at Holbrook Primary School have the opportunity to take part in my national survey, The Big Future. The Big Future is asking children and young people about their lives, their experiences and their hopes for the*

future. I will be using what they tell me to build a national picture of what matters to children today and to ensure their views are heard by Government. The survey takes just a few minutes to complete and can be accessed here: <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>

Autistic and Wonderfully Wired

The West Sussex Autism in Schools Project, part of the Autism and Social Communication team, is delighted to invite parents, carers, and professionals to a truly unique and inspiring conference.

Developed in collaboration with autism ambassadors from schools across West Sussex, this event provides an invaluable opportunity to hear directly from autistic children, young people and adults. Through their lived experiences, attendees will gain a deeper understanding of the positive messages they would like those supporting them to hear, along with practical suggestions for meaningful and effective support.

The conference will take place on Thursday 22 October 2026 at Hickstead Showground, Hassocks, at a cost of £20 per ticket. Tickets can be purchased through [Eventbrite](#).

DIARY DATES (new dates added in bold)	
Mon 28 th Sept	Flu Immunisations
Fri 2nd Oct	Happy Holbrook
Thurs 8 th Oct	Harvest Festival
Thurs 22 nd Oct	Y3 Trip to Butser Ancient Farm
Fri 23 rd Oct	Inset day-school closed to pupils
Mon 26 th - Fri 30 th Oct	HALF TERM
Tues 3rd Nov	Parent Consultations
Wed 4 th Nov	Photo day
Thurs 5th Nov	Parent Consultations
Fri 13 th Nov	Y1 Trip to Hever Castle
Fri 20th Nov	Y5 Trip to Newhaven Fort
Tues 24th Nov	Y4 trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,



Ian Holmes

Headteacher