

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.



Curriculum news

This week's curriculum in action...

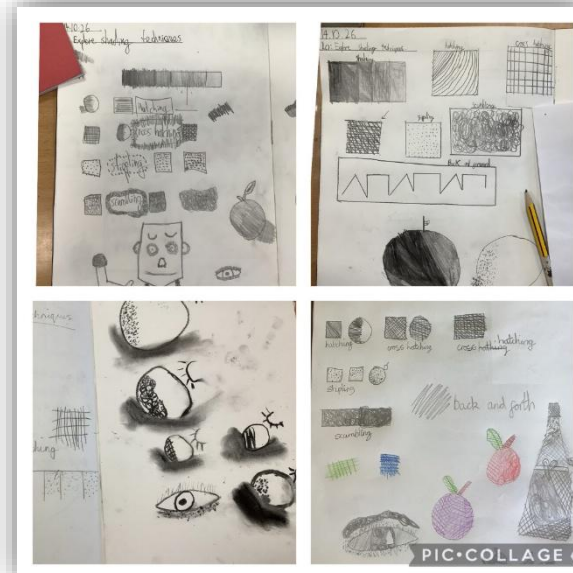
Year 2 maths

Year 1
DT/English project



Year 4
artwork

Year 5
P.E/Sports



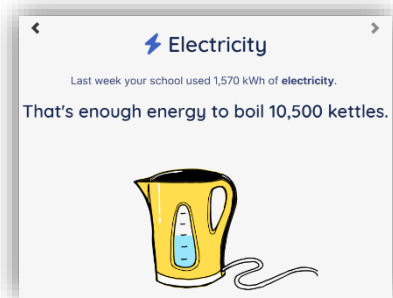
New play equipment

Thank you to those of you who sponsored the children last year as a part of the great athletes visit. We have now purchased new equipment for the school using this money to support the teaching of PE and engagement at playtimes. The children were very excited when they were given the new equipment and have had lots of fun at playtimes. We still have more to come including disc golf, basketball nets and football goals so watch this space! Mrs Davies



Energy Sparks

James Veness from Energy Sparks visited Holbrook to deliver an inspiring assembly and workshops about the importance of saving energy. He also met with Mrs Filson, our Eco lead and pupils, as well as Mr Holmes and Mrs Sullivan sharing advice and guidance on simple ways the school can help the environment and save money.



Parent Consultations

The booking system went live last week and we are delighted that so many parents have already signed up to our first consultation evenings of the year. There is still time and space available for those that are yet to do so and should you require any assistance, then the school office will be happy to help you. *Don't forget if you have an ISP- parent consultations are incorporated within this meeting, so you don't need to book an appointment.* We look forward to seeing you after half-term on the 3rd and 5th November.

Parent
Consultations

Supporting Families This Autumn – Free Online Family Learning Courses & Workshops

Please see below for details of the new Family Learning courses and workshops starting after the October half-term. There is a range of free online sessions designed to support parents and carers in helping their children succeed at school and navigate key stages of their education.

The upcoming programme includes workshops covering topics such as:

- Supporting children's wellbeing, anxiety and resilience
- Preparing children for starting school
- Helping with maths and English learning at home
- Understanding key transition points in education
- Practical strategies for supporting learning and development

Family Learning School Support

Starting School: Preparing Your Child for Primary School
 Thursday 5th November
 1:00pm - 2:30pm
 Via Microsoft Teams
Get your child ready for a confident start at primary school and learn how to support them through this exciting transition.

How to Support Your Child with KS2 Maths
 Tuesdays, 10th November - 8th December
 10:00am - 11:30am
 Crawley Library
Discover simple and effective ways to help your child build confidence and develop their maths skills at home.

How to Help Your Child with Learning in Reception & KS1
 Thursdays, 12th November - 10th December
 1:00pm - 2:30pm
 Via Microsoft Teams
Learn practical strategies to support your child's learning, literacy and confidence during their early school years.

All of our sessions are free, booking is required.
Sign up here:
<https://www.webenrol.com/westsussex>
Or email
familylearning@westsussex.gov.uk
for more information

Family Learning Online courses & workshops

How to Help Your Child with Anxiety & Resilience
 Wednesdays, 4th November - 25th November
 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Starting School: Preparing Your Child for Primary School
 Thursday 5th November 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Understanding Your Child: Supporting Their Communication & Play
 Tuesdays, 10th November - 17th November
 1:00pm - 2:30pm

How to Help Your Child with Learning in Reception & KS1
 Thursdays, 12th November - 10th December
 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Managing Screen Time
 Wednesday 2nd December 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Understanding Your Child: Supporting Feelings, Behaviour & Boundaries
 Tuesday 8th December 1:00pm - 2:30pm
(via Microsoft Teams)

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Thinking about a career in teaching

Tanbridge Teacher Training offers a school based training route to gain QTS and a PGCE in one of their partner schools across Sussex, including Holbrook.

Please see the poster for further details of the next event on Monday 9th November at Tanbridge House School.

Mentoring

The mentoring sessions continue next week, where children will have the opportunity to talk to their teacher about their progress and new targets. Please see the timetable below

Mon 19th Oct-Year 2 and Year 4

Tues 20th –Year 3 and Year 5

Wed 21st – Year 1 and Year 3 plus Year R

Thurs 22nd – Year 2 and Year 6 plus Y4 Swimming

Applications now open for a September 2027 start

INSPIRING FUTURE TEACHERS

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Join our next information event

Monday 9th November 4-5pm
Tanbridge House School
A281 Guildford Road Horsham RH12 1SR
Contact us: teachertraining@ths.uk.net

Scan to register interest!!

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Tanbridge Teacher Training
Tanbridge Teacher Training SCITT

Follow us on social media for clips of trainees in action and FAQs answered.

DIARY DATES (new dates added in bold)	
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 3 rd Nov	Parent Consultations
Wed 4 th Nov	Photo day
Thurs 5 th Nov	Parent Consultations
Fri 13 th Nov	Y1 Trip to Hever Castle
Fri 20 th Nov	Y5 Trip to Newhaven Fort
Tues 24 th Nov	Y4 trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace
Tues 8 th Dec	KS1 Nativity to Y1 Parents
Wed 9 th Dec	KS1 Nativity to Y2 Parents
Thurs 10 th Dec	EYFS Nativity to Parents
Thurs 10 th Dec	KS2 Carols at St Marys

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,



Ian Holmes

Headteacher