



Newsletter

06.06.2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school after half term and a rather grey and soggy start to Summer!

Despite several changes, school has been remarkably peaceful this week. I have been incredibly impressed by the way Hedgehog class have settled with their new teachers – Mrs Callaghan and Mrs Kennedy. I feel that this will be a positive end to the summer term for them. Squirrel Class are being taught by Mrs Nicholson for the remainder of the year and Otter Class have welcomed back Mr Griffin with open arms. All our children have been calm and happy despite the gloomy weather!

This is always an interesting time of year with so much to plan for and do before the holidays eventually arrive. While we are firmly focused upon learning and some exciting upcoming events, we are also looking ahead to planning and organising the next academic year. This includes finalising class lists, teachers and support staff. We think carefully as a whole staff about the children's transition to their next academic year. You can help this process by continuing to support them with their learning and by talking positively about what lies ahead.

Have a super weekend,

Tracey Newbold

Assess Do Review

If your child is on our SEND register, they will have an Assess Do Review document which sets out the short-term targets that they are working on at school. Teachers are currently reviewing children's progress towards these targets and will shortly be sending out new targets. As part of this process, we ask you to complete a short parent voice questionnaire by the 16th June.

Your voice is important to us and will help us to meet your children's needs.

Statutory Tests

Few people like tests but they are an important benchmark. They are important for the school as they help with comparison against other schools however, they are also important for children as they are a means of demonstrating whether important building blocks of learning are in place.

This week year 4s have been tested on their times table knowledge, next week year 1 will be undertaking their phonics screening. I know they have worked hard to be prepared for them!

The children are familiar with the format of the tests, and we endeavour to ensure that the children are relaxed and happy when taking them.

Sing Up Day

We will be taking part in this years Sing Up day on Wednesday 18th June. This is a fabulous opportunity to join with thousands of children across the country to explore self-belief and the power of singing. We are all learning a specially commissioned song which can be accessed by following information at: <https://www.singup.org/sing-up-day/get-involved>

We will be recording ourselves as we raise the roof on the 18th!

Holiday Absence

I am currently quite shocked by the number of children taking time off during term time.

May I politely remind you that this is not OK. Regular school attendance is both compulsory and essential if children are to meet their potential.

There does appear to have been a shift in recent years, and I am deeply concerned to hear that we have many families currently taking holidays or intending to do so. Whilst time off may seem unimportant children miss vital aspects of work, they often miss important stepping stones in learning, and it can be challenging for both themselves and teachers when they return.

Children should not be taking holidays and day trips in term time; this simply undervalues education which I cannot condone.

Wheelie Wednesday

On a more positive note, we celebrated the first Wheelie Wednesday this week. It was great to see so many scooters and bikes in the bike sheds. What a wonderful way to promote a greener world and an important stepping stone towards our green flag. Please do get involved each Wednesday!

Well done to Hugo in Year 2 who was the first child to have his wheels locked and receive a prize!

Learning Continues in Year 6!



New Support on the Move Toy Library

Expand your child's imagination through play!

Our Toy Library is now on board the Support on the Move vehicle, bringing fun, learning and play directly to your community!

- ★ A great way to support your child's development
- ★ Borrow toys for 2 weeks at a time
- ★ Suitable for a variety of age groups
- ★ Just £2 per household for a yearly membership
- ★ Free annual membership for the month of June!
- 📍 Look out for our mobile advice hub in your village –

Sinfold	Warnham	Barns Green	Broadbridge Heath	Pulborough
Parked at the Sinfold Village Hall every 2nd and 4th Wednesday 13:00-14:00	Parked outside St Margaret's Church, Warnham every 2nd and 4th Friday 10:00-11:00	Parked at The Barns Green Village Hall car park every 1st and 3rd Thursday 14:30-15:30	Parked outside St Johns Church, Broadbridge Heath every 1st and 3rd Wednesday 9:30-10:30	Pulborough Sports & Social Club every 1st and 3rd Tuesday 9:30-10:30

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Come along, meet our friendly team, and start borrowing toys today!

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School Security

To increase our security in school we are asking parents to please adhere to the following sign, (even if you know the person requiring access), which is now on the wall adjacent to the green release button by the main doors.

For safety reasons

**Only staff to allow
entry to visitors**

**Please only use this
button to exit**

**(For security please
do not allow access
to anyone)**

Dates

June

Monday 9th – Messy Church (**at the village hall**)

Wednesday 11th – PTA fete planning meeting at Barns Green Social Club 7.30pm

Thursday 12th – Year 3/4 swimming lessons

Friday 13th - Outdoor Learning day

Monday 16th – Otter and Squirrel trip to the British Museum

Tuesday 17th – Yr 6 Railway Roadshow Trip

Thursday 19th – Year 3/4 swimming lessons

Friday 20th - Dormouse and Hedgehog Drop and Read 8.45-9.15am

 Otter and Fox Wyrld Sisters theatre visit

Thursday 26th – Year 3/4 swimming lessons

 Weald Big Sing

Friday 27th – Sports Day (afternoon)

Monday 30th – Otter and Fox trip to Lodge Hill

July

Thursday 3rd – Year 3/4 swimming lessons (last session)

Friday 4th - INSET day (no children in school)

Monday 7th – Messy Church (**at the village hall**)

Year 6 swimming (details to follow)

Wednesday 9th – Year 5 Bikeability (details to follow)

Thursday 10th – Fox Class trip to Hever Castle (letter to follow)

Dormouse Class assembly 2.45pm

Friday 11th – Reports sent out

Dormouse and Hedgehog Drop and Read 8.45-9.15am

Saturday 12th – Summer Fete

Monday 14th – Year 6 swimming (details to follow)

Wednesday 16th - End of year production – Yr 6 and all of KS2 to attend - 6pm

Thursday 17th - End of year production – Yr 6 and all of KS2 to attend - 6pm

Monday 21st – Leavers' assembly 2.45pm (for families of Yr 6) followed by adults v children rounders match (3.30-4.30pm)

Tuesday 22nd – last day of term – break up at 1.30pm

September

Wednesday 3rd – INSET day (no children in school)

Thursday 4th – All children back to school

October

Wednesday 1st – Flu vaccination