



Issue 4

Friday 21st October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a superb start to our new school year, and as quickly as ever the first term has passed. Thank you for supporting us throughout the term, through attending the Meet the Teacher, Stay and learn and other briefing sessions, this is really helping us to support the children in their learning at both home and school. Please continue to engage with the regular reading and accessing EdShed to support your child's learning, we all know that 'little an often' helps in such a positive way.

Friends held their annual AGM this morning, thank you to all of those who attended. The fundraising that takes part is so crucial to our school and provides so much to further enrich the experiences all the children have at school.

I would like to extend huge thanks to Gemma Lindridge and Kirsty Belton who have chaired our committee for the last year. Unfortunately, Kirsty has stepped down from the position due to new commitments. Thank you so much for your enthusiasm and energy Kirsty, you really made a difference

I am pleased to welcome Elaine Chaplin to the joint role alongside Gemma Lindridge as co-chairs. Thank you to you both, to all the committee members and for all who support this committee, we truly appreciate your dedication.

Mrs Fordham and Mrs Venner enjoyed taking two football teams to HCC on Wednesday. They had a wonderful afternoon and worked amazingly together. I am delighted to share the girls team finished in  $3^{rd}$  place and the boys team in  $4^{th}$  place. Congratulations to you all.

Continuing the sporting theme, well done to Bo Conyer-Silverthorn and Zoe Piper who have qualified for the Sussex cricket team, what a great achievement! Good luck in your first match on the 5<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Oak class:

We have had an exciting time in Oak class! We have been learning about skeletons. First, we drew around a class member and then added detail to show what we thought their skeleton would look like. This week we have been looking and learning about our teeth, their different names and jobs! Last week Rachel Bennington came into visit us from High Weald Heroes. Firstly, we used string to show how many years it took from the start of Stone Age to the end of Iron Age. It went all around our classroom several times and we still had loads still in a ball!

Then we looked in boxes of artefacts from the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We had to try to work out what the artefacts were and then how they were used.

We then used charcoal as a Stone Age person would, crushing seeds like an Iron Age person, and finally made clothes out or pretend fur. We even tried to make shoes! It was great fun and we learnt a lot!















Year 4 residential

The children enjoyed canoeing, axe throwing, Archery shooting, rock climbing, rope swing and lots of evening activities as well. An amazing time had by all!

Maisie said, "Canoeing was my favourite because we got to splash each other and fall back into the water."

Henry said, "I liked the games room as there was table football, four in row and a pool table to use." Rhys liked that he "got completely soaked!"

George liked the axe throwing as he kept hitting the target!

Levo liked that he kept beating Mrs Fordham at Archery!

#### Class attendance:

	Beech	Hazel	Oak	Elm
Week 7	96.2	96.6	94.7	93.9

We are currently collating attendance analysis and will be writing to parents/carers at the start of term 2 if your childs attendance has fallen below 90%. For those who have attended parent consultations, this is a conversation we need to have with all families to help support attendance for the children. We recognise the importance of remaining at home when children are too poorly to attend school, but we need to ensure this is a healthy balance to meet the requirements for their education. Please know this is supportive process and nothing else.

**Star of the week:** Each week the adults and children reflect in their classes and choose a member of the class to receive the 'Star of the week' certificate. I am pleased to share that in...

#### Week 7:

Beech: Fearne Hazel: Henry Oak: Jack Elm: Harvey

Thank you for being the best you can be!

Wishing you all an amazing half term break. We look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

Kind regards,

C. Kínsella

All dates are subject to change – more details will follow regarding specifics. Yellow highlight shows new additions/changes from the previous newsletter.

Term and Week	Date	Event
	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 2	28 <sup>th</sup> October HALF TERM
T2 W1	Monday 31st October	INSET day
T2 W1	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Children return to school





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T2 W1	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Children's individual school photos
T2 W1 – W6	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	EY outdoor learning – letter to follow
T2 W1	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	David Fuller author visit to Y3/4/5/6
T2 W1	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Flu vaccinations
T2 W1 – W6	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Y4 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T2 W1	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Friends Halloween Disco
T2 W2 – W6	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y6 Swimming
T2 W2	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Open morning for EYFS September 2023 – 9.30am
T2 W2	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Y2 visit Young at Heart
T2 W2	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Open evening for EYFS September 2023 – 5.30pm
T2 W3	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Fundraising
T2 W4	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Y2 parents/ carers briefing for KS1 SATs 2.45pm and 3.20pm
T2 W5	Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Rev. Mitch Advent assembly
T2 W5	Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Y6 parents/ carers briefing for KS2 SATs 2.45pm and 3.20pm
T2 W5	Thursday 1st December	Christmas decoration morning
T2 W5	Thursday 1st December	One Voice Y5/6 Choir performance at Glyndebourne
T2 W5	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Y3/4 Federation Carols 6.00pm arrive (6.30pm start)
T2 W6	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Save the Children – Christmas jumper day
T2 W6	Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle service at St. Richards Church – 4pm – details to follow
T2 W7	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS/Y1/2 Performances – times TBC
T2 W7	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS/Y1/2 Performances – times TBC
T2 W7	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas lunch
		Nativity stories and hot chocolate
T2 W7	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Christmas parties
T2 W7	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Children's last day of term
T2 W7	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	INSET day
	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	January CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
T3 W1	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	First day of term
T3 W1 – W6	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Y2 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T3 W1 – W6	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Y3 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T3 W2 – W6	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Y4 Swimming TBC dependant on pool availability
T3 W2	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> January	School Pantomime visit in the Village Hall
T3 W3	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Census Day
T3 W3	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Y5/6 Young Voices concert – details to follow
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T3 W4	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	Y5/6 Sports Hall athletics – details to follow
T3 W5	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Y1 Phonics screening briefing for parents/ carers - 2.45pm and 3.20pm
T3 W5	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y4 Multiplication check briefing for parents/ carers - 2.45pm and 3.20pm
T3 W6	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Open afternoon to view child's work from 2.30pm
T3 W6	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents consultations
T3 W6	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents consultations
T3 W6	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of term
	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday	y 17 <sup>th</sup> February HALF TERM
T4 W1	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET day
T4 W1	Tuesday 21st February	Children's First day of term
T4 W1 – W6	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Y1 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T4 W1 – W6	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y6 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T4 W1	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y5/6 Netball competition - details to follow
T4 W1 – W6	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Y5 Outdoor learning – letter to follow
T4 W2 – W6	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Y3 Swimming TBC dependant on pool availability
T4 W2	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
T4 W4	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief day
T4 W5	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y2 Little Sing – details to follow
T4 W5-W6	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Fair
T4 W6	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5/6 Hockey Quicksticks competition – details to follow
T4 W6	Friday 31st March	Last day of term
	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> April EASTER HOLIDAY
T5 W1	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of term
T5 W1 – W6	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	EY outdoor learning – letter to follow
T5 W1	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Y5/6 Tag rugby competition – details to follow
T5 W1 – W6	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Y4 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T5 W3 – W6	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Y2 SATs
T5 W3	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Class photographs
T5 W4	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs
T5 W4	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3/4 Tennis competition – details to follow
T5 W5	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Census day
T5 W6	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Y6 Bikeability
T5 W6	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of term





T6 W1	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	First day of term	
T6 W1 – W6	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Y2 outdoor learning – letter to follow	
T6 W1 – W6	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 outdoor learning – letter to follow	
T6 W1 – W3	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Y4 Multiplication check	
T6 W2	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 Phonics screening check	
T6 W4	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm	
T6 W5	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm	
T6 W5	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> or Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Y4/5/6 Swimming gala – details to follow	
T6 W6	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 End of year production	
T6 W7	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last day of term	