



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach our half way point of this school year, there is so much to reflect on and celebrate. The children continue to thrive in school and are showing great commitment to their learning and happiness in school. There have been many opportunities that have enriched our curriculum and we continue to be excited about the remaining 3 terms.

### **Parent/ Carer sessions:**

Thank you to all who have been able to join us for parent/ carer sessions this term. We continue to actively involve you in your child's education, to help all of our children make the best progress they can. In addition, our parent/ carer consultations have been hugely beneficial. All teachers will have shared the message of little and often reinforcement of learning at home and how much this can help your child. If you need any support in doing this, please contact your child's class teacher.

### **School House Day:**

The children had a wonderful day working in our school house teams. There were a variety of activities that were rotated round throughout the day, focusing on speaking, listening, communication skills and both individual and team skills in the activities. The activities were reading with a partner, board games and puzzles, craft activities including colouring, collage and painting, games encouraging team support and learning outdoors learning about our outside environment and natural and man-made activities. The children and staff shared great feedback from our day and are keen to see this as a feature within our school year.

### **Safer Internet Day:**

The children all enjoyed extending their knowledge of how to remain safe on the internet this week. All of the classes shared their learning in today's celebration assembly. Mrs Golding (our Computing lead) has put together a PowerPoint sharing information to help us as adults understand and support the children with their safe access. The Powerpoint will be sent via StudyBugs and can be found on the school website on the Computing Curriculum page; please take a few minutes to read through the information.

### **Friends:**

Today has seen a celebration in colour and has been a joy to speak to children about their choices of clothes that they love and make them feel good. Thank you for supporting this initiative. The additional Valentines cakes have been a perfect end to our term.

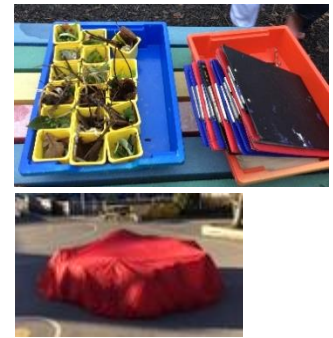
### **Swimming:**

Year 4 have just completed their swimming term, all having made great progress in their weekly sessions. The children have shared how much they have enjoyed the sessions and how they feel much more confident in the water, talking about going under water and being better using the main swimming strokes. The opportunity of developing early life saving techniques was fully embraced with a good understanding how different it feels to be in the water in clothes instead of swim wear.

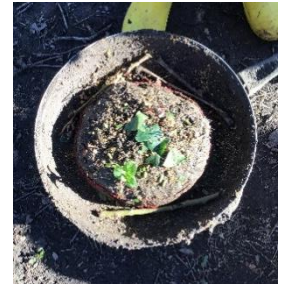
## Outdoor Learning:



Year 2, Year 3 and Year 6 have enjoyed outdoor learning this term, recognising the seasons, using natural objects to show the 4 seasons. The children have had fun learning new games, Eagle Eye being their favourite, learning campfire songs and learning about and exploring the equipment needed whilst out camping, especially The Bothy Bag.



The children have had fun bug hunting, playing in the mud kitchen (making Miss Sherwood 'judge' their cooking skills!) on 'The Great Sherwood Bake Off' and being out in the sun.



The whole school also took part in an item hunt during House Day. The children thoroughly enjoyed this activity and it was lovely to see the effective team work and huge smiles on their faces when they found the items!

Class attendance	Beech	Hazel	Oak	Elm
Week 5	95.1%	92.4%	95.2%	91.1%
Week 6	94.9%	92.4%	95.0%	91.2%

At the end of week 6 our school attendance is 93%, our target is 96%.

## Out of school achievements:

Huge congratulations to Amber who has made exceptional progress in her swimming. Amber has recently taken part in the Lewes Gala coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in all of her races, with new times recorded. Good luck Amber in the next round!

Huge congratulations are also extended to Bo who has successfully secured a Sports scholarship for Bedes Senior School – a wonderful achievement, well done and good luck for September 2023.

**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...

## Weeks 5 & 6:

Beech: Jack      Hazel: Elle      Oak: Oliver      Elm: Tyler  
 Beech: Fletcher      Hazel: Erin      Oak: Sebastian      Elm: Zoe

Thank you for being the best you can be!



# PTCPS Newsletter



Thank you for your good luck wishes to Mrs Fordham, she has had a wonderful end to her working week and time at Punnetts Town School. Thank you Mrs Fordham, you have been a star and will be truly missed.

Wishing you all a relaxing half term break. We look forward to seeing you again on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February.

Kind regards,

*C. Kinsella*

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
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February</b>		<b>HALF TERM</b>
T4 W1	<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>INSET day</b>
T4 W1	<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Children's First day of term</b>
<b>T4 W1</b>	<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	<b>HASP Netball competition – letter sent to team</b>
<b>T4 W1 – W5</b>	<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Y5 outdoor learning – letter sent</b>
<b>T4 W2 – W6</b>	<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February (weekly)</b>	<b>Y1 outdoor learning – letter sent</b> <b>Y3 Swimming – letter sent</b>
<b>T4 W2</b>	<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>World Book Day – details to follow</b>
<b>T4 W3</b>	<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>KS2 class poetry sharing – letter shared</b>
<b>T4 W4</b>	<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>KS2 school poetry sharing final – letter shared</b>
<b>T4 W4</b>	<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Friends Mother's Day Shop – details to follow</b>
<b>T4 W4</b>	<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Comic Relief day – letter to follow</b>
<b>T4 W5</b>	<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Year 4 Young at Heart – letter to follow</b>
<b>T4 W5</b>	<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>KS2 school finalist to represent school in HASP poetry competition</b>
<b>T4 W5</b>	<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>Cross Country final at Beacon – letters sent</b>
T4 W5	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y2 Little Sing – letter to follow
<b>T4 W5-W6</b>	<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Book Fair open for parents/ carers to visit after school</b>
T4 W6	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5/6 Hockey Quicksticks competition – details to follow
<b>T4 W6</b>	<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Friends sponsored Bounce-a-thon – details to follow</b>
T4 W6	<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>



# PTCPS Newsletter



Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April			EASTER HOLIDAY
T5 W1	<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>First day of term</b>	
<b>T5 W1 – W6</b>	<b>Dates TBC</b>	<b>EY and Y4 outdoor learning – letter to follow</b>	
T5 W1	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Y5/6 Tag rugby competition – details to follow	
<b>T5 W1</b>	<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Y5/6 Big Dance at HCC – details to follow</b>	
<b>T5 W3</b>	<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>Bank holiday – school closed</b>	
<b>T5 W3 – W6</b>	<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Y2 SATs throughout the month</b>	
T5 W3	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Class photographs	
<b>T5 W4</b>	<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Bank holiday – school closed (King's Coronation)</b>	
<b>T5 W4</b>	<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Y6 SATs</b>	
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	
<b>T5 W6</b>	<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Y3/4 Tri-Golf at Beacon – details to follow</b>	
T5 W6	<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>	
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June			Half term
T6 W1	<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>First day of term</b>	
<b>T6 W1 – W6</b>	<b>Dates TBC</b>	<b>Y2 and Y3 outdoor learning – letter to follow</b>	
T6 W1 – W3	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Y4 Multiplication check	
<b>T6 W2</b>	<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Y6 Bikeability – new date – letter to follow</b>	
T6 W2	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 Phonics screening check	
<b>T6 W2</b>	<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Friends Father's Day gift shop – details to follow</b>	
T6 W3	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm	
T6 W3	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	New EYFS (for September) Parent/ Carers evening	
T6 W4	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm	
<b>T6 W4</b>	<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Y6 to HCC for transition day</b> <b>Whole school transition day in readiness for September 2023</b>	
<b>T6 W5</b>	<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Y4/5/6 Swimming gala – details to follow</b>	
T6 W6	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 End of year production at the Village Hall	
<b>T6 W6</b>	<b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Friends Summer Fete – details to follow</b>	
T6 W7	<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>	
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July – Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> August			Summer Holiday