



Issue 19

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

There has certainly been a lot of summer fun over the last 2 weeks!



On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June, the children spent the day in their school house teams. Throughout the day the pupils rotated and enjoyed Art, PE, Outdoor learning and STEM activities. This was a really positive day encouraging practical and communication skills. All of the children were fantastic and have spoken positively about the day.



Tuesday was certainly another busy day. Years 5 and Year 6 attended the HASP Olympics held in Lewes at the athletics track. This was a spectacular day where the children were able to use the facilities including a 400m running track and long jump pits!



Year 1 and Year 2 were joined by Dallington pupils who learnt collectively for the day. This was focused around an art day where the tasks were led by staff from Wilderness Wood. Their work will be on display in September in the 'Into the Trees Festival', we look forward to seeing the work displayed then.



Thank you to all of the families and Friends for supporting Friends in our summer Circus, last Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> June. This was a huge success; providing some lovely activities with the main focus of the Circus! It was lovely to see so many of you, I hope you had a great time.



Thank you to all who have attended open afternoons and their parent consultation, this provides a vital

opportunity for teachers to speak with you to update you regarding your child's progress and attainment. Please remember the teachers are always available at the end of the school day to have a conversation or agree a mutually convenient time to talk.

We were delighted to work with the Chartwells team on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June as they hosted great workshops with all pupils – we hope you enjoyed the pizza!

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June was a hugely enjoyable day as all the children 'Changed Around'. This was the first opportunity for the children to work in their new classroom, with the new year's staff and classmates.

Further details are in the letter sent via Arbor on the 19<sup>th</sup> June – you will have received an in-app message directing you to your personal emails, where you will see the attachment.



And finally! Today! Sports Day! This is always a wonderful day in the diary and super colourful. Early Years and Key Stage 1 children worked well in their house teams to complete the carousel of activities in the morning. The children were led amazingly well by the Year 6 pupils. During the afternoon all of Key Stage 2 enjoyed an array of races which was enjoyed by our younger school members as they cheered on those competing. Thank you to all who were able to attend, this always means a lot to everyone. Thank you also to the staff and children for working so hard to ensure the event could happen.



**Beech Class:** It has been a busy term so far for Beech. The children have had a number of amazing experiences this term. The children had the opportunity to visit Young at heart and spend time playing games and planting seeds with the elderly people in attendance. We also had a great Federation trip with Dallington Reception Class to Wilderness Woods. The children completed lots of activities, which prompted some great conversations and written pieces on our return to school.



This week the children have had the opportunity to make their own pizzas with Chartwells, they had an amazing time experimenting with different ingredients to make some tasty treats!



In maths we have been concentrating on shape, sequencing, and comparing objects by size. The children have been using 2d and 3D shapes to create pictures and models. We have also been looking at more mathematically vocabulary and equipment the children will use on a more regular basis when they move to year 1.

In phonics we have been recapping our sounds, and introducing more writing opportunities of key words and sentences. The children have also been enjoying further stories and animations in drawing club, creating some amazing pictures, codes and sentences.

In art we have continued to explore colour and the children have combined colour mixing with mathematical symbols to create new colours and explore the colour wheel.



**Hazel Class:** Our Trip to sunny Hastings! Looking back to our trip earlier in the term, we had the most exciting day! Making friends with puffer fish, observing at tarantulas, learning about sea safety and all about the history of fishing and the Fisherman's Church in Hastings. All of the children made us feel very proud, as they confidently asked questions, listened and followed instructions carefully and showed huge enthusiasm for their learning.





Our History and Design Technology focus this term has enabled us to explore Toys in the past and we all had a go at making our own thaumatrope. We practised our drawing and cutting skills and are very impressed with the end results.

We enjoyed demonstrating our creativity, teamwork and communication skills with our friends from Dallington to create some willow sculptures. These masterpieces will be on display at the 'Into the Trees' festival at Pippingford Park, Ashdown Forest in September. How exciting!



**Attendance:** Please see our attendance table below showing percentage data for the last two weeks. Our overall school percentage is 94.6%. Please keep your holidays to during the school holidays, these have impacted whole school attendance this year.

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Week 3	94	91	99	97	86	99	85	89
Week 4	98	93	97	96	94	99	96	93



### Achievements out of school:

Huge congratulations to Della who took part in a fancy dress competition, as Mrs Mop, with her horse at Ockley Barn Farm – well done!

Congratulations to Emilia who has achieved her 25m badge for swimming! Well done!



Finally congratulations to Rose, who has competed in a dance competition finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in her solo performance and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in her group dances! Well done!

### 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 3:

Little Punnetts: Arlo    Beech: Edi    Hazel: The whole class!    Oak: Buster    Elm: Oliver and Caspar

#### Week 4:

**Little Punnetts:** The whole class    Beech: All of Beech class    Hazel: Icarus    Oak: Buster    Elm: Ethan I



# PTCP&NS Newsletter



Thank you to everyone for being the best you can be!

Kind regards,

*C. Kinsella*

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

Term & Week	Date	Event
T6 W5	W/C Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Early Years reports sent to parents
T6 W5	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Nursery, Reception, Year 3 and Year 4 Forest School sessions
T6 W5	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	School risers' Nursery Graduation – invites sent
T6 W6	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery, Reception, Year 3 and Year 4 Forest School sessions
T6 W6	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	HASP Swimming Gala – letters sent to team
T6 W6	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 Production – details to follow
T6 W6	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	School Clubs finish today (Breakfast club and after school wrap available for next week only)
T6 W7	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers assembly and Y6 sleepover
T6 W7	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term No after school club
T6 W8	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	INSET (closed to all pupils)
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b>		
T1 W1	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	INSET
T1 W1	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	First day of term for all pupils