

## PTCP&NS Newsletter



Issue 2

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we finish our second week of the new academic term, our routines at school are becoming well established. The children have made great links in their classes re-establishing friendships and making new ones. The staff have spent the last two weeks getting to know the children and working alongside them and interventions will start from next week.

It has been lovely to see our broad curriculum offer establish over this last week. The classrooms are certainly busy and the space around the school is used so well by all classes. This week has seen the start of our Forest School sessions, led by Miss Sherwood on a Wednesday, and PE sessions led by Mr Lloyd, our school sports coach, on a Friday. This is a great offer for pupils and staff to be focusing learning outside of the classroom. The learning webs have all been shared with parents on Arbor; we hope you have time to look over the documents to help us support your child and their learning in school.

As detailed in last week's newsletter, we will continue to add to the dates pages (any new dates will be highlighted in yellow each fortnight). Thank you for the positive feedback regarding having the dates set already, we really appreciate this. The final 3 INSET dates are now added to the dates below.

Our communication platform, Arbor, continues to present us with new ways of working, which we are also having to explore in depth. Thank you for your patience and understanding, we recognise that when systems change there will be 'glitches', but like anything we will refine as soon as possible. As you are all aware booking lunches on Arbor is different and is not sharing all the options. Mrs Saunders continues to work with the Schools ICT services, who support us with Arbor to see if further options can be added. However, in the meantime, children will be asked their preference of pudding. We are assured by Chartwells Nutritionist, that all of their menu choices are carefully balanced. However, if you have concerns about your child's pudding please speak to us and we will sort out an alternative.

**Oak:** We have all had an amazing start to Oak class this week. In maths we are using all the different ways of recording additions to make up number sentences, using associative and communitive law. We have also been working on our mental maths adding different numbers together and presenting them split up in different ways.



In Science we have started learning about a healthy diet and why we need to eat a range of foods. We thought about the different scientific words we might know, such as Protein and what foods we thought these might

be in. We will be having Chartwells visit us and we will be whipping up healthy snacks together to then enjoy eating.

On Tuesday this week Year 4's went to Young at Heart. We were all so pleased to see each other and firstly we enjoyed reading together, then we discussed and drew foods in the different food groups that we knew and next we played bird bingo! It was very exciting and everyone wanted to win.

We also played some team games outside and board games inside,



where we had to work together and listen to each other to know how to play, whose turn it was and what tactics we might use!

We are looking forward to finding out more about the Vikings.





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**Attendance:** Good attendance really helps the pupils in their social, emotional, and academic learning. Please prioritise attendance at school and talk to us if you or your child has any concerns. Our target as a school is 96%.

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	School overall
Week 1	97%	97%	96%	100%	100%	90%	98%	99%	97%
Week 2	97%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99.5%

We will continue to report on weekly attendance in our newsletters and hope that our school target of 96% will be achieved this year.

#### Achievements out of school:



Joey's amazing success in horse riding has been confirmed after a 3 day event in Wales, where he won gold. He is now the 10 and under Champion of Great Britain! This is a fantastic achievement Joey, well done.



Congratulations are also sent to Emilia, who attended a 4 day tennis camp and after a final day of competitions, she finished

FIRST in her group – huge congratulations and well done to Emilia.

#### Stars of the week:

Each week the adults and children reflect on the week and choose a member of the class to receive the 'Star of the week' certificate. These are presented in our celebration assembly every Monday and shared in the fortnightly newsletter.

Week 1: All children achieved Star of the Week for Week 1 for settling back to school so well! Well done everyone!

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

Kind regards,

#### C. Kínsella

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		
T1 W3	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Y6 Residential		
T1 W4	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Fundraising day supporting Jeans 4 Genes Day (wearing 'jeans') and a McMillan cake sale – more details will follow		
	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Individual school photos		
	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Heathfield Community College Open Evening 5.30pm8.00pm		
T1 W5	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Y4 Residential		
	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Y3 visit to Young at Heart		
	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations – times will be set on Arbor for you to book		
T1 W7	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Y5/6 Football – details to follow		
	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Celebration – donations collected for Hailsham Foodbank – details to follow		



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T1 W8 -	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Y5/6 Cross Country at Burwash – team letter to follow			
	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Nursery and Reception classes Wellie Walk – details to follow			
	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	NHS Flu Vaccinations – details to follow			
	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	8.45am Friends AGM – details to follow			
	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day of term 1			
	Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Punnetts Town Village Bonfire – see village posters			
	Monday 28 <sup>t</sup>	h October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November – HALF TERM			
T2 W1 -	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	INSET – school closed for children			
	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Return to school			
	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Y3/4 Wellie Walk and Anglo Saxon workshop – details to follow			
	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Friends Disco – details to follow			
T2 W2	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Y6 visit to Young at Heart			
	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need – details to follow			
T2 W3	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Children (all year groups) to sing at Heathfield Christmas Lights evening – details to follow			
T2 W4	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Decoration morning – details to follow			
T2 W5 -	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Y5/6 Christmas Carol Concert – details to follow			
	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3/4 Christmas Carol Concert – details to follow			
	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery & Reception Christmas performance – details to follow			
T2 W6	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Save the Children – Christmas Jumper Day – details to follow			
	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Friends Christmas Fun afternoon followed by Christmas Fair – details to follow			
	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas performance – details to follow			
T2 W7	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas lunch day – details to follow			
	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Christmas parties – details to follow			
	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term			
	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> De	ecember – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January – Christmas holidays			
T3	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	First day of term 3			
T3	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of term 3			
T3	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET – school closed for children			
	Monda	ay 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February – Half term			
T4	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET – school closed for children			
T4	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	First day of term 4			
T4	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term 4			
	Me	onday 7 <sup>th</sup> - Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April – Easter holiday			
T5	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April First day of term 5				
T5 W3	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday – School closed			
T5 W4	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs week			
T5 W5	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Class photographs			
T5	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Last day of term 5			
	Mor	nday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May – Half term			
T6	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	First day of term 6			



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T6 W3	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day (Reserve date 27.6.24)		
T6 W6	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 Production		
T6 W7	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers Assembly		
Т6	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last day of term 6		
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July – Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September – Summer holidays				
T1	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	First day of term 1		