



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers

We come to the end of our second full week of term and everyone is settled and school life is in full swing. As I walk around the classrooms the atmosphere is purposeful and calm and the children are working hard on their learning.

We held a very successful Meet the Teacher afternoon on Monday and this was very well supported, thank you. We hope you enjoyed seeing your child's classroom and the work they have done so far as well as having the opportunity to meet their class teacher. We held this alongside our Macmillan Afternoon Tea which was also well attended and we thank everyone that donated cakes and goodies as well as those that bought them! We raised over £220, which is fantastic!

Monday also saw our houses voting for their captains and deputies and we are pleased to announce the following elections:

Marley	Melisa Kovacheva	Vice-Captain	Sebastian Shepherd
Henley	Maya Szabo-Steer	Vice-Captain	Matthew Tempest
Blackdown	Calan Morrin	Vice-Captain	Lily Skelton
Kingsley	Tom Ward	Vice-Captain	Freya Kirby

We would also like to congratulate Cecily Wright, Louise Shanks and Evie Fowler for being made Senior Prefects and Nathan Chikhliya, James Murray, Grace Farrar, Fred Munt, Zac Garguilo, Louis Pakium, Charlotte Hampton, Tallulah Pleace, Olive Keeley, Emma Robinson, Sam Singleton and Przemek Zymek for being made Prefects.

Robins Class left on our inaugural Year 4 residential to PGL Marchant's Hill in Hindhead on Thursday and reports are that they are having a wonderful time! I am sure they will have a lot of stories to tell when they come home this evening.

We had some excitement yesterday morning as a couple of our trees by the Key Stage 1 area were taken down, this was done for several reasons but the main one being the safety of the children. The chickens are now benefitting from some of their offcuts.

As term is now in full flow, school trips are starting to be booked and organised. May we take this opportunity to remind parents/carers that whilst all contributions towards the cost of a trip are entirely voluntary, unfortunately, if we do not receive enough we will be unable to run them. In the past, funds have allowed the school to close any financial gaps but sadly, that will no longer be possible.

This week we have also finalised yet more dates for this term, including Harvest Festivals. Please see the attached articles and diary dates for further information. We would also remind you all, that as the weather seems to be on the turn, to please send your child in with a waterproof coat in case of rain during the school day. We do send children out to play in all weathers (unless it's torrential) so a coat is essential for those drizzly days.

Enjoy the weekend.

Gill Richardson on behalf of SLT

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations & Well Done to.....

Kalen Hamilton for starting his trials at Portsmouth football club!

Elsa Kelsey for taking part and being the youngest competitor in Bart's Bash, a sailing competition.

Article 31; leisure, play and culture

To ensure your child's achievement is mentioned, please make sure that it is with the school office before Friday morning.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



DEER

Rory Strutt

OWLS

Oliver Cotton

RED KITES

Harrison Cole

FOXES

Esme Brimacombe

BADGERS

Freya Kirby

LUNCHTIME AWARD

Nyla Bentley

HEADBOY & HEADGIRL AWARD

Lily Leat

DEER FOREST SCHOOL

Emma Whitehead

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DIARY DATES

SEPT

Fri 21 Robins return from PGL Residential
 Fri 21 Messy Harvest at St Margaret's
 Tues 25 OSCARS CLOSED
 Wed 26 Badgers to MRC Taster Day

OCT

Tues 2 OSCARS CLOSED
 Thurs 4 Key Stage 2 Harvest Festival at St Margaret's
 Thurs 4 Owls to Pulborough Brooks
 Fri 5 Key Stage 1 Harvest Festival at St Margaret's
 Mon 8 Badgers Cake Sale
 Wed 10 Hello Yellow Mental Health Awareness Day
 Wed 10 3.10pm Badgers Parents Cobnor Meeting
 Fri 12 9am FOFS Meeting in Oscars
 Fri 12 3.30pm Prospective Parents Open Afternoon
 Sat 13 FOFS Film Night at Village Hall
 Thurs 18 End of first half of term
 Fri 19 Inset day—school closed
 Mon 29 Second half of term commences

NOV

Mon 5 Foxes Cake Sale
 Tues 6 9am Prospective Parents Morning
 Tues 6 3.20-5.30pm Parents' Evening
 Wed 7 3.20-5.30pm Parents' Evening
 Mon 12 Individual School Photos
 Wed 21 Foxes to All Sing at MRC
 Fri 23 7.30pm FOFS Meeting at The Red Lion
 Thurs 29 Flu immunisations for YR-5

DEC

Mon 3 Robins Cake Sale
 Thurs 6 9am Prospective Parents' Morning
 Fri 7 Mufti for Tombola Day
 Fri 14 4pm FOFS Christmas Disco
 Wed 19 Final Day of term

HARVEST FESTIVALS

Cauliflowers fluffy and cabbages green.....yes, it's Harvest time!



Our Festival dates are now confirmed, Key Stage 2 will celebrate Harvest at St Margaret's Church on Thurs 4 October and Key Stage 1 on Fri 5 October. Both services will start at 9.30am and parents/families are welcome to attend.

We would like to ask for a few volunteers to help walk Key Stage 1 children to and from the church, please speak to your child's class teacher if you can assist.

As always at this time of year, we will be asking for donations to go towards the local charity Stonepillow. There will be a box in reception from Monday for you to put these in and through St. Margaret's they will be delivered to the charity. The charity operate a Wish List and at the moment they are after the following items:

Coffee	Sugar	
Jams/spreads	Longlife Fruit Juice & Milk	
Squash/Cordial	Tinned meat/pies	
Instant noodles/rice	Biscuits	
Condiments	Hand Wash	
Washing up liquid	Toilet roll	
Washing powder	Bin Bags	
Foil/Cling film	Anti-bacterial spray	
Sponges/Cloths	Chopping boards	
Sleeping bags/blankets	Board games	Tea towels
Underwear (new only)	Men's shoes	Socks

OSCARS CLOSURE—REMINDER

Please note that due to whole staff training Oscars will be closed on the afternoons of **Tuesday 25 September and Tuesday 2 October**. You should make alternative arrangements for your children after school on these days if they normally attend Oscars. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

HELLO YELLOW!

On Wednesday 10 October, the school will be supporting "Hello Yellow", a mental health awareness day, being organised by the charity Young Minds.

More children and young people than ever before are seeking help with their mental health and by wearing yellow on World Mental Health Day we want them to show them that they are not alone.

In support of this, we would like to invite all children and staff to come to school in home clothes including something yellow. In return for this we would like to ask for a donation of £1 to go to this worthy cause.



NOTICES FROM THE OFFICE

- Badgers Class—Please email back your replies for the MRC Experience Day.
- Owls Class—Pulborough Brooks replies and payments to be returned as soon as possible please.
- There are still places available for Dramarama, it starts 1st October for all children in KS2 and is £40 for 8 weeks.
- Swimming payments— if you are paying weekly please remember to do so.
- Chartwells Meals—please ensure that when booking meals for children in Key Stage 2 that you amend their class—at the moment many children are still appearing last year's class lists which makes lunchtimes fun!

CHICKENS

Our feathered friends have returned and as such we need volunteers to help us look after them. We need volunteers for the following roles:

- ◇ Mornings on a Wednesday and Friday—just refreshing water and having a cuddle!
- ◇ Weekends—refresh water, feed them, muck out and collect the eggs!

Mornings, we would prefer for the same family to do the same day each week for half a term. Weekends, we only need families to volunteer once (or more if they would like to!).

For more information please see Hannah Corps or the school office.

FOFS ROUND UP

- It has been decided, as FoFS received very few volunteers for Velo South this Sunday, that we would withdraw from the event. Please see the email sent on 20 September for further information.
- Film night is back again on Saturday 13th October in the Village Hall, doors open [from 4.30pm](#). We are excited to be showing Paddington 2, so please put the date in your diary and tell family and friends too. Hot dogs, popcorn, ice cream and drinks will be available. Tickets will be on sale from the school office soon!
- If you are running short of name labels after the beginning of term please don't forget to visit www.mynametags.com. If you quote our unique code 29118 FoFS will get an amazing 20% commission from your order!

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