



# NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

The days are passing rapidly and we now have less than a week before half term! It is always lovely to see children’s real enthusiasm for learning as we walk around the classrooms, even when the learning is challenging. It is also a pleasure to see the children’s work on display around school.

Last Friday, we took part in the first of the Rother Valley tournaments, which was football, please see the separate article in the newsletter to see how the children got on. Well done to them all for representing the school.

To start the week, we hosted the Wey Team, who came and gave the children an engaging assembly all around harvest. Badgers held their cake sale on Monday and thank you to everyone who supported this.

Deer and Robins class enjoyed their forest school learning on Tuesday, with particularly impressive village building by three members of Robins, who constructed dwellings out of natural materials to form the basis of a settlement. The children really enjoy the freedom of Forest schools and the different learning challenges that arise from initiating their own explorations within the environment.

Thank you for supporting our “Hello Yellow” day on Wednesday, this served as a reminder of how important children’s wellbeing is and to promote positive mental health. We raised a total of £147 – thank you! The children looked fantastic and bright in their various yellow clothing.

Just to remind you all that we are still on the lookout for a “lollipop person”, so if you know anyone who is interested, please ask them to contact us and we can forward their details to West Sussex Highways Department. On a similar note, we are situated on a very busy “A” road so please park sensibly when dropping off and picking up your children.

This afternoon we are holding an Open Afternoon for families who are looking for places at Fernhurst Primary, we will be offering activities, talks, tea and cakes. It is really important to us to continue to grow our school community and keep developing those positive relations, so if you know anyone who is interested in finding out more about us, please tell them to get in touch.

Don’t forget that next Friday is an INSET day, and also the end of this half term! We hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Richardson on behalf of the SLT

**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

Congratulations to Maisie Ravaux, James Ward and Beatrice Heale who have all gone up a level in swimming!

*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**

<b>DEER</b>	<b>Alexis James</b>
<b>OWLS</b>	<b>Kelsie Jones</b>
<b>RED KITES</b>	<b>Nyla Bentley</b>
<b>ROBINS</b>	<b>Ethan Morrin</b>
<b>FOXES</b>	<b>Adelaide Elder</b>
<b>BADGERS</b>	<b>Zac Garguilo</b>
<b>LUNCHTIME AWARD</b>	<b>Lucy Cotton</b>
<b>HEADBOY &amp; HEADGIRL AWARD</b>	<b>Emily Lodge</b>
<b>DEER FOREST SCHOOL</b>	<b>Elsa Kelsey</b>
<b>ROBINS FOREST SCHOOL</b>	<b>Violet Asbridge, Isaac Cousins, Sebastian Pakium</b>

## DIARY DATES

### OCT

Fri 12	3.30pm Prospective Parents Open Afternoon
Sat 13	FOFS Film Night at Village Hall
Thurs 18	Red Kites to Pizza Express
Thurs 18	Badgers to Milestones Museum
Thurs 18	End of first half of term
Fri 19	Inset day—school closed
Mon 29	Second half of term commences

### NOV

Fri 2	4pm FOFS Halloween Disco
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
Fri 9	RV Quik sticks hockey tournament at MRC
Mon 12	Individual School Photos
Wed 14	World Diabetes Superhero Day
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

## PERFUME BOTTLES

After half term Owls class are going to making a science lab in their role play area and are looking for some empty perfume bottles to add to this so that the children can make their own "marvellous medicines". They are also going to be designing their own potion bottle so some inspiration and ideas would be useful.

Please drop these into the school office and hand them straight to Miss Barnes at the door.



## SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

West Sussex have opened their online application system for both reception places and secondary school places for 2019.

For all parents/carers of children in Badgers Class, we would urge you to make a timely application for your preferred school/s to ensure that your child is in the main round of place allocations. If you require any assistance with your application please do come and see us as soon as possible. The deadline for applications is Wednesday 31 October.

For any families with children due to start school in September 2019, we would love to welcome you to our school, please visit our website for information on tours and open mornings. Again we would urge you to make a timely application and if you would like any assistance in doing so, we would be very happy to help, please give us a call or drop in and see us. The deadline for applications is Tuesday 15 January 2019.

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-places/>

## FOFS ROUND UP

\*Thank you to all bakers, helpers and supporters of Badgers Halloween cake sale on Monday. We managed to raise a fabulous £72.65!

\*Please remember our Film night showing "Paddington 2" is this Saturday! Doors open at 4.20pm. Tickets are for sale on the door or family bundles can be purchased for a slightly discounted rate from the School office until Friday afternoon. Drinks, popcorn, hotdogs, ice cream will also be available. We look forward to seeing you there.



\*100 club sign-up opens next week, forms will be coming home. A great chance for you to win £££ whilst also raising funds for the school!"

## FOOTIE RESULTS!

The first foray for Fernhurst into the MRC organised sporting fixtures for the year, resulted in a creditable 3rd and 5th Placed finish, for our first and second teams respectively. Our A squad defeated Conifers 3-0, Harting A 4-0 but unfortunately losing 3-0 to Midhurst sent them through to the 3rd and 4th place play off where they beat Camelsdale 2-1.

Our B squad like our A squad won the majority of their games beating Hollycombe 6-0, Harting B 2-0, Midhurst 2 3-0 but again and unfortunately the loss 3-0 to Camelsdale left them in the 5th and 6th place play off where they duly beat Conifers 2-0.

Well done to our goal scorers on the day; Tom Ward 6, Theo Silver-Bicknell 2 and Seb Shepherd 1 for the A squad and Jack Dummer 8, Jack Fowler 5 and Sam Singleton 2 for the B squad.

A special mention though must go out to the girls who represented us and really got stuck in, and I am truly proud to say looking round that although other girls were there we were the only school who had a girl on the pitch at all times!!! Well done and come on other girls, talk to them and get involved!!!! There are rumours of a girls only tournament next year so we should start building our squad now.

Thank you to all the parents who helped drive and came and supported, I feel a great afternoon was had by all.

Mr J Hussey

*A Squad; James V, Theo S-B, Tom W, Nathan C, Lily-Rose S, & Eloise B*

*B Squad; Calan M, Jack D, Jack F, Louis P, Esme B and Adelaide E*

## NOTICES FROM THE OFFICE

- Badgers to the Milestones Museum —permission and payments needed. Payment and consent can be made online at [www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com)
- Red Kites to Pizza Express—permissions and payment required. As above all can be done online.
- Last call for Parents' Evening replies.
- Stool Ball with Stacey Allen could continue after half term if there is enough interest. It takes places every Friday and will cost £10 for five weeks, please email the office if your child would be interested in continuing or joining.
- Please remember that you MUST call or email the school every day that your child is absent. This is the case even if your child was sent home unwell the previous day, we are unable to assume that children are sick so notification is essential. Thank you for your cooperation.

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