



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Already we are two and a half weeks into the term and Autumn is fast approaching. All the classes are fully engaged in their topics and are working hard to develop their learning.

We are introducing some changes to the delivery of the math curriculum. From next week, we will be using a scheme called "Power Maths". This will be used in years 1 to 6 and the scheme is based on a mastery approach to maths enabling pupils to deepen their understanding of mathematical concepts.

In addition to this, after half term we will be introducing an online times tables platform called "Rockstars". This is to enable children to develop their speed and manipulation of times tables. The Government has introduced a new online time table assessment test, which is statutory for year 4, the children will sit this in June. Last academic year we took part in the pilot scheme and whilst the children's knowledge of the times tables was sound, they struggled with using the keyboard to respond quickly enough. The "Rockstars" programme will ensure that all children from year 1 -6 will have the skills to access the assessment. We have been able to purchase this program through FoFs funding, so thank you all for supporting their funding raising events, this really will make a difference for the children. We will be inviting year 4 parents in, at a later date, to discuss this new assessment and allay any concerns.

Yesterday, the children took part in a Harvest Festival service at St. Margaret's Church, they really enjoyed themselves and the singing was beautiful. Thank you all for your kind donations, which will go to the homeless charity "Stone Pillow". Thank you to Rev. Nick Haigh for hosting us.

Today, both Red Kites (year 3) and Robins (year 4) went for their second swimming session at the Herons. Swimming is mandatory part of the national curriculum and all children are expected to attend, regardless of their swimming ability.

September saw some significant changes to the Education Inspection Framework, which is what Ofsted and other agencies use to judge the quality of provision within schools. Part of the changes are around attendance, which now forms part of the pupil wellbeing judgement. Schools are expected to have an overall attendance percentage in line with national expectations of 96%. Unfortunately, last year we fell well below that target and this is something that we must address. Please could we remind parents that term time holidays will not be authorised, unless there are exceptional circumstances; any unauthorised absence of more than five days will be forwarded to West Sussex Council, it will then be up to them to issue a fine.

We would ask you to make every effort to ensure that your child attends school regularly, if there are any issues please notify the office or your child's class teacher to discuss this.

We look forward to seeing you at the "meet the teacher" session at 3pm today.

Best wishes, Mrs Richardson on behalf of the SLT

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to:

Elsa Kelsey, yr 2, for being awarded the Bart Simpson trophy for the youngest person to take part in sailing!

Emily Carr, yr 2, received her 5m breaststroke certificate

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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| DEER | Florence Eveleigh |
| OWLS | Charlie Smethurst |
| RED KITES | Ruben Szabo-Steer |
| ROBINS | Erin Pegg |
| FOXES | Bea Heale |
| BADGERS | Frankie Beaver |
| LUNCHTIME AWARD | Eloise Denny |
| Forest School (1) | Charley Neville and Heidi Reading |
| Forest School (4) | Tayla-Jane Lewis |

DIARY

September

27 Macmillan coffee morning

October

- 3 Parent's forum
- 4 Flu nasal spray (for those who have consented)
- 10 Wear something yellow for Children Mental Health Day
- 10-11 Robin's Class residential
- 25 Inset Day
- 28 Half term week

NOTICES FROM THE OFFICE

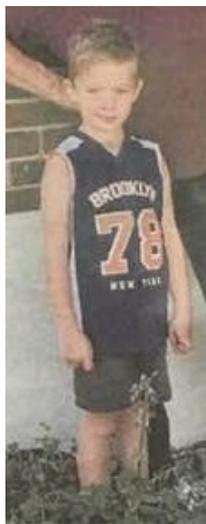
Hard copy letters are available from reception.

Royal Albert Hall Choir: Please return your coach request as soon as possible.

Owls, Pulborough Brooks: This trip can be consented and paid for on Scopay.

VACANCY: We currently have a vacancy for a 5hrs a week, Midday Meals Supervisor. The advert can be found on the school website, please speak to Anna Ward if you have any questions.

TYLER SPEAR You may remember that last term we told you about Tyler (yr 2) and his idea to raise money for Stone Pillow, the Chichester-based homeless charity. We are very proud to tell you that he completed his 3km run in just 22minutes! Tyler raised over £400, some of which was spent on food and essentials and handed over to staff and residents of Stone Pillow during the summer. The Midhurst and Petworth Observer even published Tyler's photo in recognition of his fundraising efforts! Well done Tyler, you are an inspiration to us all!



9-10am in the hall. with cakes and other goodies provided by the staff here at school!

**JOIN US FOR OUR
MACMILLAN COFFEE
MORNING**

FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2019

WE'LL HAVE CAKE GALORE!
SO COME ON AND JOIN US, IT'S ALL FOR A GREAT CAUSE!

A huge THANK YOU to Lucy and Oliver Cotton's Grandma who donated two of the 'top 100' children's books to the school, for the tree bookcase in reception! Thank you Jane!



Friends of Fernhurst
Primary School

Hello All

Thank you to everyone who attended the FoFS meeting earlier this week! It was great to see some new faces and to hear your views and money raising ideas! Please feel free to email us at the address below if you have any questions.

Following this meeting, we have made the decision to postpone Race Night until the new year. We hope many of you will still join us and sponsor a hound, watch out for the posters around school in the spring term!

Did you see this week's CAKE SALE email? We will now be having four sales a year, run by the newly appointed House Captains and their teams. The first sale will be Friday 8th November and will have a Guy Fawkes theme!

We have heaps of lovely second hand clothes for our next UNIFORM SALE, date to follow shortly!

Finally, a huge thank you to Laura Lindsay who has taken on the task of sorting our lost property this term! Thank you from us and the school!

FOFS
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Community Notice Board

For the Diary: MESSY CHURCH!

Friday October 4th from 3.15pm in the church. To include fun activities and a meal afterwards.

Free Trial Session and £40 discount at Perform

Popular children's drama and dance school is offering a Free Trial Session and a **special introductory discount of £40 for members of Fernhurst Primary School** if they sign up by 7th October. Parents should quote WSFB180120 when they book their free session by going to perform.org.uk/try or calling 020 7255 9120.

You can find out more about the classes at perform.org.uk/try. Alternatively, pdf flyers can be downloaded from [here](#) and [here](#).

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Perform Haslemere (Drama for 4-7s)
(2.6 miles)
Tuesdays at 4pm

Haslemere Community Centre
Lion Green,
GU27 1LD

Perform Haslemere (Drama for 7-12s)
(2.6 miles)
Tuesdays at 5pm

Haslemere Community Centre
Lion Green,
GU27 1LD

Perform Petersfield (Drama for 4-7s)
(10 miles)
Mondays at 4pm

Salvation Army Hall
Swan Street,
GU32 3AD

Perform Petersfield (Drama for 7-12s)
(10 miles)
Mondays at 5pm

Salvation Army Hall
Swan Street,
GU32 3AD

Perform Godalming (Drama for 4-7s)
(10.5 miles)
Fridays at 4pm

St Peter And St Paul Church Hall
Westrook Road,
GU7 1ET



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