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Autumn 4 - Wednesday 19th October 2016

Dear Parents



Last week our older children had a fantastic time on the residential trip at Blackland Farm! Both the staff who accompanied them and the instructors were very impressed with their great attitude and teamwork. Thank you Mr Hughes for organising and leading, and Mrs Claridge, Miss Manvell and Mrs Saunders for all you did during the week. Photos of the children that took part will be on the monitors in the Old Building for you to look at when you come in for Parents' Meetings.

The rest of the school had an equally fantastic "Shakespeare Week!" The children took part in a variety of activities and I hope they have shared lots of William Shakespeare facts with you! Look out for a display of different events they took part in. Thank you to Mrs Wellby for leading, and to every member of staff that made it so memorable.



Last Tuesday our Y3/4 children produced a fabulous Harvest show – The Gingerbread Man. They sung, acted, danced and spoke beautifully. We had a packed hall for both the morning and afternoon performances. Our local community have been extremely complimentary and appreciative of the afternoon, with many commenting on the confidence and enjoyment that the children demonstrated. We would like to thank those parents who donated food or gave a donation to our sister school in Pokot. We raised just over £60. The donated food packets and tins are going to the Shoreham food bank.

Reception: 6 Week In Meeting

It was lovely to see so many Reception parents at this meeting. Thank you all for your patience with the IT problems and we would like to invite any Reception parents in to view the slide show on Thursday, 20th October at 2:40pm in China Blue classroom.

Walk to School Month - October

As part of Walk to School Month, yesterday the children took part in a 'hands up' survey on how they got to school that morning. 173 children out of 340 told us they walked, scooted or cycled to school. 94 children said they parked further away and walked in and 67 children told us they came by car. It would be nice to see as many children as possible biking, scooting, walking, car sharing or parking and striding to school. This would really help the congestion of traffic in the morning and evening.



We still have a number of parents who are parking inconsiderately and we do urge you to think about the safety of all our children. When you park in areas you shouldn't, you put yourself and others at risk. The only way we can ensure that children are safe coming into school is if ALL parents who decide to drive and drop off at school **do not park in unsafe areas or block the road**. We really do need **EVERYONE** to think carefully about this. Thank you.



School Photos – Thursday 20th October All children will be photographed individually and together in their sibling groups. Could you please ensure children wear the correct school uniform, including a sweatshirt or cardigan. Unfortunately, we are unable to extend photos to younger siblings.



SOLD OUT

FUBS Halloween Disco – Friday 21st October

We have completely sold out of tickets for this event! It is always a popular event and we have a long waiting list so if you are unable to come please let us know.



Parents' Meeting Slips

On Monday letters went home inviting parents to meet with teachers on Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd November. Please could you return reply slips to the class teacher so they can allocate you a time slot. If any parent would like to see Dr Gwilliam, our SENCo, please book a time through the School Office – she will be available on the Wednesday 2nd November.

Milk Bottle Top Collection

We are now in direct contact with a company that collects milk bottle tops for recycling for charity and we have chosen to support Chestnut Tree House Hospice. We have to collect a minimum of 15 dustbin bags of clean milk bottle tops before they are able to collect from us. We are delighted that we were able to hand over 20 dustbin bags yesterday. Please do keep your donations coming in (ensuring they are clean and only milk bottle tops). Thank you!

Phonics Information and Drop-In - Music Room

On Monday 31st October – 9am Mrs Gilpin will be running a Phonics Information Session for all parents who have signed up. If you would like to come along, please just let Mrs Gilpin know. We would also like to invite all KS1 parents to see the children during a Phonics session Monday 7th November at 2:40. Mrs Gilpin will be running a Phonics information session for all Reception parents on Monday 21st November at 9:00am. A letter will be coming out to Reception parents after half term with further details.



Worth Less Campaign

Thank you to all the parents who have signed petitions, liked the campaign and been so supportive of this cause. On Tuesday, myself and Poppy from Year 3, visited 10 Downing Street with other children, Head Teachers and MPs from West Sussex to hand in a letter. Please continue to share and encourage everyone to sign the petition which can be found at: <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/167761>

Half term dates: Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October

We hope you have an enjoyable break and look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 31st October.

Best wishes

Becky Linford
Head Teacher





Dates for Autumn Term 2016

Thu 20th Oct
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 Fri 21st Oct
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 Fri 21st Oct
 Mon 24th Oct
 Fri 28th Oct
 Mon 31st Oct
 Wed 2nd Nov
 Thu 3rd Nov
 Thu 3rd Nov
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Yr 5/6 Football Tournament
 Individual School Photos
 Ireland class Assembly
 Swimming Mexico and India
 7:00pm – 9:00pm FUBS Halloween Disco
 First Day of Half Term
 Last Day of Half Term
 9:00 KS1 Phonics Information for children
 Parents Evening
 Parents Evening
 Ye 5/6 Netball League
 Italy class Assembly
 Swimming Mexico and India
 2:40 KS1 Phonic Drop in for parents
 Yr 5/6 Indoor Athletics
 FUBS Uniform Sale
 Japan class Assembly
 Swimming Mexico and India
 Yr 5/6 Tag Rugby Participation
 Yr 5/6 Netball League
 Children in Need run by Yr 5/6
 France class Assembly
 Swimming Mexico and India
 9:00 Phonics Demonstration to Reception
 Yr 5/6 Towers Netball Tournament
 Swimming Mexico and India
 Poland class Assembly
 Reception Nativity to parents
 FUBS Non School Uniform for Christmas Fair
 Australia class Assembly
 LAST Swimming Mexico and Spain
 2:00 KS1 Performance
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 FUBS Christmas Gift Sale
 FUBS Uniform Sale
 5:30pm-8:00pm FUBS Christmas Fair
 2:00pm KS2 Performance
 1:30 KS2 Performance to the Community
 2:00pm KS2 Performance
 5:00pm-6:30pm KS2 Christmas Disco
LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM
Start of Christmas Holiday



Mon 2nd Jan
Tue 3rd Jan

Bank Holiday
INSET DAY 3



Dates for Spring Term 2017

Wed 4th Jan
Mon 16th Jan
Tues 17th Jan
Wed 18th Jan
Wed 25th Jan
Thu 9th Feb
Mon 13th Feb
Mon 20th Feb
Fri 24th Feb
Tue 28th Feb
Wed 1st Mar
Thu 2nd Mar
Tue 14th Mar
Mon 20th Mar
Tue 21st Mar
Tue 28th Mar
Fri 31st Mar
Thu 6th Apr
Mon 10th Apr
Fri 14th Apr
Mon 17th Apr
Fri 21st Apr

Spring Term starts
Yr 6 Basketball Participation
Annual Children's Concert
Young Voices O2 Trip
Yr 5/6 Swimming Gala
Yr 6 Netball Tournament
Yr 3 Benchball Participation
Start of Half Term
Last Day of Half Term
Yr 5/6 TAG Rugby Participation
Parents Meeting
Parents Meeting
Yr 3 Benchball Tournament
Yr 3/4 Gym Competition
Chanctonbury Music Festival
Yr 4 Benchball Participation
Yr 2 Multisports
Yr 3/4 Girls Football Participation
Start of Easter Holiday
Good Friday
Easter Monday
Last day of Easter Holiday

