

Newsletter 3rd November 2023 Learning, growing and achieving excellence together

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a great half term week and managed to relax and enjoy some time with family and friends.

This first week back in school has been a busy one! I am pleased we all survived the storm and had what turned out to be a fairly normal day yesterday.

Our INSET day on Monday was a successful and a very productive day! As you know, we focused our work on behaviour and behaviour management. The day produced many really positive outcomes which we will be sharing with you very soon.

The decorating which took place over half term has really refreshed a large part of our school and reinforces how important it is to continue these improvements into the future.

I am looking forward to more informal coffee and choir meetings with parents this half term - dates and times to follow very soon!

Finally, can I reiterate our plea for help on our ground Force Day. Saturday 11th of November, 11:30 to 3 pm.

Any help would be so valuable to the school so please take the opportunity to sign up!



I hope you all have a great weekend ahead, stay safe, see you on Monday ! Brian Ball – Interim Headteacher



Improving the look of our school:

As Mr Ball mentioned, just before the break decorators have been in and started work on improving classrooms and corridors. Here you can see the newly painted corridors in the Key Stage 2 part of the school. New carpet has also been laid in the whole length of the corridor - it's very soft! This is the first stage of the rolling programme and we'll update you on further improvements as soon as they have taken place.





Wintery weather is here!

Coats to be brought in everyday please, preferably with a hood and suitable for wet weather as we like to make sure that the children get lots of fresh air – even when it's drizzly.

PE kits to be complete and to include long trousers/joggers/leggings and a warm jumper/hoodie (not their school jumper).

Harvest haul!

Thanks to all those of you who donated to the harvest collection for the food bank - here are our local faith leaders with that collection who came and shared with us the meaning of harvest just before the half term break. Thank you for giving even in these trickier times, we really do appreciate it! Donations are going to the **Horsham Food Bank**.



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Scootering on school property - no thank you!

We **love** the fact that our children travel sustainably to school - it's great exercise and it helps the planet. Please though, can we ask that scooters are walked to and from the blue gates at the front of school on Station Road. Just before half term there were a couple of near misses at the very busy start and end of the school day. We don't want anyone to get knocked into or knocked over. Please don't be surprised if senior leaders and staff on duty politely remind children who aren't following this information.



Year Group emails:

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Polite reminder!

If you are driving to school and parking near the Weald, please do not park in the staff carpark area. Many thanks.

Wednesday 8th November Closing date for Christmas card orders

Children in need this year is on Friday 17th of November, children can wear non-uniform or Pudsey bear-themed outfits! Don't forget to bring your coat too!

Upcoming dates: November

Monday 6th Y5 Planetarium in-school visit Wednesday 8th: **3.30pm** Y5 Lodge Hill parents meeting, KS1 Hall Thursday 9th : Y3, 4, 5 and 6 Cross Country meet Sunday 12th: Diwali (celebrated in assembly) w/c 13th : Anti-Bullying Week w/c 13th : Extended Parent Consultations begin

Friday 17th : Children in

Children in Need Flu immunisations

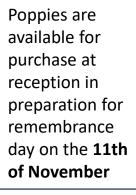
Monday 20th KS2 Author visit

Wednesday 22nd

KS1 Multi skills festival **3.30pm** Yr 6 Tile Barn residential parents' meeting, KS1 Hall **7-8pm** Parent E-Safety webinar

Tuesday 28th : Y3 ukulele concerts: Egypt 9.30am Madagascar 10.15am Morocco 11.00am

Letters home this week: No additional letters this week



Keep and eye out for our big reveal about our exciting author visit coming soon!...

Year groups regularly post photos of children and learning so please follow your child's Year Group on X



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