



Newsletter 6th September 2024

Learning, growing and achieving excellence together

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful week welcoming back children and families to Billingshurst Primary! The children's positivity, enthusiasm and warmth has been fantastic to see. Already there have been some exciting starts to topics, a visit from Henry VIII, fire building and Roman laurel wreath making to name a few.

School is working hard to develop parent and family links as working in partnership is key to developing happy and healthy children who want to achieve. We have planned many opportunities for you to come in and work with us. Please see the table of opportunities below. They also appear in the parent family timeline attached to the newsletter.

The children have looked very smart this week in correct uniform and PE kit, thank you for your support with this. Can we please remind you that only healthy snacks should be sent in for children's break time.

A big shout out must go to Glenn, our premises manager, who has worked tirelessly over the summer holidays to ensure school is safe, clean and decluttered for the autumn term. One particular note is the reconfiguration and decoration of the Early Years unit which is looking fabulous. You may have also noticed the inner fence funded by the Sussex Learning Trust to improve our security and keep the children safe in school.


Finally, welcome to new families to the school including our new EYFS cohort due to start next week and new staff who have joined us. Rachel Curley (Y5 teacher,) Emily Erskine (Y4 teacher,) Jessica Walker (Y2 teacher,) Chelsea Milner (Y1 teacher,) Kerry Tucker and Sasha Wilson (Tr1 teaching assistants.). We hope you will all be very happy with us.

Ms Ley

Key dates: September

- w/c 9th September – clubs begin
- Tues 17th: Parent reading volunteer workshops. 9am
- Tues 17th: Y5 & Y6 parent meetings 3.20pm
- Wed 18th: Y1 & Y2 parent meetings at 3.15pm
- Thurs 19th: Y3 & Y4 parent meetings 3.20pm
- Fri 20th: House captain and Sports leader elections
- Mond 23rd: Head and SLT coffee morning 9am
- Tues 24th: Y5 & Y6 swimming gala 1.30pm
- Tues 24th: Parent workshop Understanding neurodiversity and therapeutic approaches to behaviour 5pm
- Wed 25th - SEND coffee morning 8.45am - 10am KS2 Hall
- Wed 25th: Y5 & Y6 Talented Athlete launch (selected children) 1.30pm - 4pm

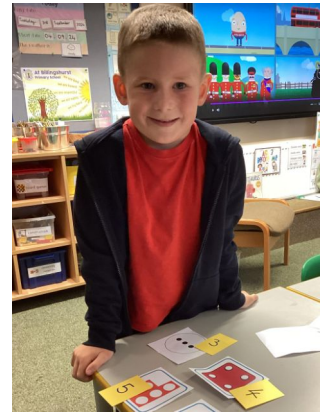
House Point Results

	Winning House	
	Cowdray	

Cowdray	Parham
365	412

Goodwood	Petworth
482	506





We've had great fun exploring our new themes through role play, outdoor learning, drama and investigation!



Note from the Governors: On behalf of the governing body, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all members of our school community at the start of the 2024-25 academic year. We hope the children have settled in well to their new classes.

During the summer holidays, the Early Years area was transformed and looks absolutely fantastic! It now just needs the children to bring it alive and we look forward to welcoming the new starters into Reception next week.

BPA bees (formally BPSCA) - Due to the change to the school name last term, we have taken the opportunity to update our name too! We are now known as the BPA bees:

Boosting school funding

Experiences and trips

Every child benefits

Social activities and fun!

We meet on the first Friday of the month at 2pm in the staff room. Please come along and see what we do!

Letters home this week:

Year 5 walking consent

Year 6 bikeability,

Parent Timeline



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