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Dear Parents / Carers,

Year 6 performed The Tempest this week in three wonderful, spell-binding productions. Every single child performed so beautifully, with such expression and sense of their character. It was a wonderful celebration of all that the Year 6 children have achieved and was enjoyed by every audience member. I am sure, Year 6 parents and carers, that you were very, very proud of your children. My huge thanks go to the Year 6 for making this happen at such a busy time of year.

We also announced the final total of the sports day cup! It was incredibly close after the races, EYFS/KS1 and KS2 totals were combined:

4 th place	95 points	Cowdray
3 rd place	98 points	Goodwood
2 nd place	99 points	Parham
1 st place	100 points	Petworth

Well done to Petworth – this is the first time they have won the Sports Day cup in the 13 years it has been running. Well done to all the houses as it was incredibly close and the all performed brilliantly.

Year 4 took the train to London to visit the Science Museum, some experiencing the train and tube for the first time. They all had a fabulous day and enjoyed exploring the museum. You can see photos of their trip on Twitter and Facebook.

Year 2 had a wonderful morning on Thursday led by children's author and illustrator, Kristina Stephenson. The children enjoyed an interactive talk about Kristina's journey as an author and they reflected on their own limitless potential as authors and the power of imagination. Finally, the children took part in the Mystical Maps and Magical Monsters show where all 9 Sir Charlie Stinky Socks books were brought alive through live storytelling, drama, puppetry, dance and music. Thank you to the BPSCA who funded a Sir Charlie book for each child to take home.

Sarah Johncock, my lovely PA and general solver of many problems, is leaving at the end of term for a new post closer to home. Many of you will have benefitted from Sarah's help, knowledge and sheer determination to get things done and she will be hugely missed in the office team and by all across the school. We wish her all the best for her new role and will say farewell to her next Friday.

House Cup

Well done to Parham who won last week's House Points Cup!

Petworth	Parham	Cowdray	Goodwood
569	654	617	562



Year 3 + 4 Times Table Champions

This week's winners are:

Egypt and Argentina



Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 19th July

We welcome all Year 6 parents to the prize-giving Leavers' Assembly at 2pm on Wednesday 19th July. You do not need to apply for tickets but we are limited to two people for each family.

Message from the Chair of Governors

This time of year is always busy in schools and this applies to governors too. On Wednesday, we held our last full governing body meeting of the academic year which included hot off the press end of year results for each of the key data collection points. Yesterday, Miss Williamson and I wrote to you to share details of the school improvement work which has taken place and the impact this has had on outcomes for pupils. I hope you found this both informative and reassuring. Also this week, governors held a 'tea and cake' event for staff to show our appreciation for their hard work day in, day out. They are truly amazing. And finally, governors attended the year 6 performances of The Tempest. What a triumph! Thank you to the pupils and the staff involved in this super production.



BPSCA News

If anyone is interested in finding out a bit more about what BPSCA do, our first meeting of the new academic year will be at 2pm on Friday 8th September in the staff room. Please do come along and join us.

If you are planning a birthday party soon, do consider hiring our eco party pack, it contains 36 plates, bowls and cups, 36 knives, forks and spoons, 2 large jugs, 6 large bowls, 4 large plates, 2 trays. When hiring the Eco Party Pack, you make a donation to the BPSCA equal to the money you would have spent on disposable tableware – we suggest £10. Collect from school (or local address), use it for your party, then wash it up and return it for the next person. Please contact bpsca@billingshurstprimary.org.uk to book the Eco Party Pack for your event.

Yours sincerely,



Helen Williamson
Headteacher



Letters Home This Week

All – Clubs letter
All – Reports
All – Ofsted Progress Report Letter
Year 3 – Swimming Letter

Dates for Diary

Summer Term - Monday 17th April 2023 – Friday 21st July 2023

Half Term - Monday 29th May 2023 – Friday 2nd June 2023

INSET - **17th April 2023**

17th July -

18th July -

19th July -

6pm – 8pm Leavers' disco

Year 1 trip to Tilgate Nature Centre

Leavers' assembly (2pm)



Artsmark
Silver Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England

