



# WEEKLY NEWSFLASH



Week 10 - Autumn Term 2025 - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Dear Parents/carers,

I was so proud of all of our students that took part in Henfield's Remembrance parade on Sunday. They all looked so smart representing the various organisations that they are part of and were so respectful and well behaved throughout the church service, parade and wreath laying service at the war memorial.

You may recall that I mentioned an excellent parenting talk by Clare Luther that we think you would find really helpful as you support your child through the transition to school. It is on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30 in the school hall. To reserve a place please click on this [link](#).

Don't forget that it is Celebration of Work next Friday. It really does mean so much to the children and they can get quite upset if they don't have a family member to share the work with.

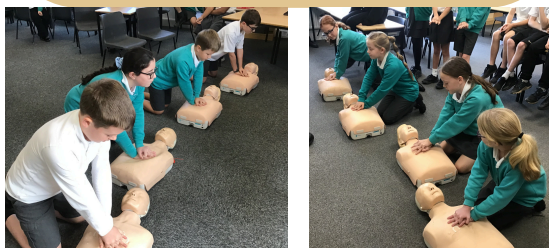
Have a lovely weekend everyone,  
Mrs Maurice, Headteacher

## AUTHOR VISIT - HELEN PETERS

On Monday afternoon Years 2, 3 and 4 were lucky enough to have a visit from Helen Peters. She told us all about her life growing up on a farm and how this inspired her to write books about animals. Her latest book is called A Reindeer Called Joy and we learned lots of Reindeer facts from her. Helen talked about the plot of her new book and how she turns her stories from the her notes to the completed book. We learned that every story needs to have 3 things, a Person (character), a Place and a Problem. If you would like to buy any of Helen's books, please visit her website <https://www.helenpetersbooks.com/> or Steyning Bookshop.

Have you seen our YR classes in the West Sussex County Times? Pop along to Stokes Newsagents to get your copy.

Please can we say a massive thank you to Mr Orr for his CPR workshop with Year 6 on Wednesday - Thank you!



## JULIA DONALDSON

The children in the Nest were very excited to receive a special card from Julia Donaldson. The children worked very hard to write their own Gruffalo stories and we shared them with Julia.



Well done to Grace Oliver-Taylor in raising £42.92 for Children-In-Need. Grace ran a 'coffee on the kerb' stall outside her home.

## We are recruiting

Term time contract and school friendly hours.

ID will be required for an enhanced DBS and Right to Work UK.

Contact the manager now:  
[laurey.davis@compass-group.co.uk](mailto:laurey.davis@compass-group.co.uk)



Reporting an absence?, or change in collection arrangements? - Please use [absence@stpetershenfield.org.uk](mailto:absence@stpetershenfield.org.uk)

Respectful, resilient, resourceful and always aiming high!

## SPORTS NEWS



Congratulations to our incredible **Year 4 basketball** team for their outstanding performance in this week's tournament! The children showed fantastic teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship from start to finish. Throughout each match, the team demonstrated excellent passing, confident dribbling, and great communication on the court. Their positive attitude and willingness to support one another made them stand out as true champions. We are extremely proud of all the children who took part. Well done, Year 4—what an amazing achievement! Keep up the brilliant effort and enthusiasm. 🏀🎉



## PTA CORNER

### Fireworks Night - A Huge Thank You!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined us for Fireworks Night last week. Despite the weather, it was one of our busiest and most atmospheric events yet, and it was wonderful to see so many families come together. This year's display was held in memory of Laura Crawford, a much-loved member of our school community. It was very special to have Laura's family and friends with us, and we were honoured that her son, Thomas, and niece, Molly, were able to start the display.

Thank you to our volunteers, school staff, stallholders, local businesses and organisations, and everyone who supported the event - we couldn't do it without you.

### Festive Pre-Loved Sale - Wednesday 26th November

We're getting ready for our festive pre-loved sale selling festive clothing, festive accessories, branded school logo uniform, and PE house printed uniform. With sizes available for both adults and children in the festive wear.

### Donations welcome!

If you have any of the above to donate, please drop items into the school office. As a thank you, you'll receive a £1 token to spend at the sale.

### Christmas Disco – Thursday 28th November

Ho! Ho! Ho! All aboard the Christmas Express, let's get the festivities started with our annual Winter Disco - this year it's Christmas themed! See attached poster for further details, tickets coming soon to ParentPay.

## Dates for the diary... (New entries/changes in red)

### November

- Thurs 20<sup>th</sup>: YR Phonics Workshop for Parents, 9.00am
- Fri 21<sup>st</sup>: Celebration of Work for Parents, 2.30pm
- Tues 25<sup>th</sup>: Y6 Height and Weight check by School Nurse Team
- Tues 25<sup>th</sup>: Y1 Soup Tasting for Parents/carers, 2.30pm**
- Tues 25<sup>th</sup>: YR Class Museum Parent/carer drop in, 3.15pm
- Wed 26<sup>th</sup>: Y1/Y2 Sports Enrichment Morning - PE kits to be worn
- Thur 27<sup>th</sup>: Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 Sports Enrichment Morning - PE kits to be worn
- Fri 28<sup>th</sup>: Y4 Assembly for Parents, 2.45pm**
- Fri 28<sup>th</sup>: PTA School Disco's: YR - Y3 5.00 - 6.00pm; Y4 - Y6 6.30 - 8.00pm

### December

- Thur 4<sup>th</sup>: Clare Luther Parent Workshop, 9.00 - 10.00am**
- Tues 9<sup>th</sup>: YR Nativity, 9.30 - 10.30am - ticket information to follow
- Wed 10<sup>th</sup>: YR Nativity, 9.30 - 10.30am - ticket information to follow
- W/c 15<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Jumper Week - all week!
- Mon 15<sup>th</sup>: RockSteady Concert for Parents/carers, 2.30pm**
- Tues 16<sup>th</sup>: EYFS/KS1 Christingle at St. Peter's Church, 9.30am
- Tues 16<sup>th</sup>: KS2 Lessons & Carols at St. Peter's Church, 10.30am
- Tues 16<sup>th</sup>: RockSteady Concert for Parents/carers, 2.30pm**
- Wed 17<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Lunch by Chartwells
- Fri 19<sup>th</sup>: Last day of term**