

Dear Parents/Carers,

Y6 Remembrance - Y6 played a full part in this year's Remembrance starting with a service at St. Peter's Church last Friday. We took our individually made clay poppies with us so that they could be on display throughout the remembrance weekend. At Church we heard eulogies of fallen serviceman, read by 11 children who then went on, with 6 more children to lay poppies in the cemetery afterwards, with the rest of Y6 returning to school. On Sunday, 6 of our House Ambassadors, with Miss Foster, represented the school in the village parade, service with Otto and Imogen laying a wreath at the war memorial. All Y6 children, in their various roles, behaved with great respect and were a credit to the school on this important occasion.



Eco Club News - Before half term Eco - club had a feast with all of the food they made to be eco-friendly. We recycled mush bananas to make banana cake, we made flapjacks with old bananas, we also had apple crumble made with apples from peoples' gardens. The aim of our eco-feast was to use all of our left over food, which would otherwise go in the bin.

Megan Hollis Y6

Our Maths Investigators , w/e: 10th November

Y1: Atticus Butler / Alice Nicholson
Y2: Rory Newlyn / Harry Draper
Y3: Charlie Peters / Summer Bridgewater
Y4: Julian Nakazawa-Cowie / Emilia Furniss
Y5: Jonah Parker / Roel Konnen
Y6: Eva Maria Valovin / Lily Woodley



Our Writers, w/e: 17th November

Y1: Henry Francis / Harry Constable
Y2: Isla Winsper
Y3: Tomas Ross / Joe Crawley
Y4: Olive Willis
Y5: Maisie Ridley / Reuben Green
Y6: Chiani Shinkawa / Adam Ware



Staff News - Sadly, we have some goodbyes at the end of this term. Mrs Fieldsend, one of our Y5 Seals' Class Teachers will be leaving at Christmas to start a new position at Brighton University. Interviews for her replacement have been held and I am delighted to report that Mr Henry Frankel has joined the Y5 team, not only to replace Mrs Fieldsend from January, but has also kindly agreed to cover Mrs Tickel while she recuperates from her recent knee surgery. We thank Mr Frankel for joining us earlier to ensure continuity of teaching in Y5; we send Mrs Tickel our warmest wishes for her recovery and finally wish Mrs Fieldsend every success in her new position – she will be missed.

Parents in Y3 Stingray will also be aware that Miss Peploe has been absent from class for some time and regretfully I have now received her resignation as Class Teacher. Mrs Jones, who has been covering Miss Peploe's absence, has kindly offered to continue until Christmas and from January, I am pleased to confirm that following interviews, Mrs Ruth Hill will be joining Mrs Jones in sharing the teaching responsibility. We thank Mrs Jones for her continued support; look forward to welcoming Mrs Hill in January and send our best wishes to Miss Peploe for the future.

RESILIENT, RESPECTFUL, RESOURCEFUL & AIMING HIGH

Core Values - Congratulations to the following children for being 'Animal of the Week':

Week Ending: Friday 3 rd November	
Y1	Alfie Penfold – Aiming High Troy Little - Resilient
Y2	Jessica Rudling – Aiming High Alex Mackay – Aiming High & Respectful
Y3	Theo Neale-Stevens – Resourceful Stanley Ridgwell – Aiming High
Y4	Cassiel Shirfield – Resilient Ada Juretic – Resilient
Y5	Joshua Law – Aiming High Adele Edwards – Resilient
Y6	Ellie Boniface – Resourceful Laurence Pound – Aiming High

Winter – with the cold weather here, it is essential that children have a warm coat in school every day. Please ensure your child brings in a named coat so they can wear it at break and lunch times. Also, don't forget that any gloves, scarves or hats should also be named, to ensure that they are returned to your child if lost.

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Core Values - Congratulations to the following children for being 'Animal of the Week':

Week Ending: Friday 10 th November	
Y1	Herby Vardy – Aiming High Isobel Boosey – Aiming High
Y2	Rupert Wilson – Aiming High
Y3	Sienna Bantock – Respectful Kasey Lippingwell – Aiming High
Y4	Poppy Lockett – Aiming High Thomas Allison – Resilient
Y5	Niamh Williams – Respectful Isabelle Griffiths - Resilient

Week Ending: Friday 24 th November	
Y1	Harry Constable – Aiming High Archer Batchelor Spinks – Aiming High
Y2	Harrison Clowe - Resilient Jessica Stephenson – Resilient
Y3	JimmyThomas – Aiming High Thomas Carter – Resourceful
Y4	Olivia Gargano – Resourceful Jake West - Resourceful
Y5	Fergus Gibbs – Aiming High Sid Allwood – Aiming High Toby Mackinnon - Aiming
Y6	Ashtyn Roworth – Aiming High Maisy Tindle – Aiming High

Sports Reports – Well done to all the children who took part in the indoor athletics championships on Monday 6th November. As with all our sporting activities the children went out with determination and great enthusiasm, and I was able to witness some fantastic running, jumping, throwing and tremendous teamwork! Special mention goes to Belle in Y6, whose outstanding jump of nearly 2 metres, impressed not only myself but the other schools staff members too. Overall we finished in second place, just 16 points off of first place.

Netball - Congratulations to our Y6 netballers who have played a variety of games over the last few weeks. Last Thursday, some of the team took part in our locality school's competition; this was the first of 3 meetings. St Peter's won all 3 games; 11-0 v Beeding, 11-0 v Jolesfield and 5-0 v Steyning. The games were exciting and a pleasure to watch. It is clear the Y6's have been working hard during club to improve their teamwork, footwork and ball skills. This is a very promising start and I look forward to taking them to the next meeting.

A further team went to Beeding for a friendly on Tuesday. Despite the dark night drawing in quickly, we again showed our skill in this sport, winning the game 35-2. Wow! Well done all! I will be looking forward to further netball games after Christmas where some more of the Y6 team will have the opportunity to play at The Towers. The up and coming Y5 netballers have also been invited so watch this space. Mrs Searles

House Points - Congratulations to **Phoenix** for earning the most house points last half-term. These will be carried through to this term with the House Cup being awarded at the end of the Autumn Term.

Phoenix: 874, **Eagle:** 812, **Kestrel:** 667, **Hawk:** 527

PTA Update – Don't forget to place your order of your child's fabulous festive artwork to be turned into cards and gift wrap. Head over to www.APFsorders.co.uk by 23rd November. Also on the 23rd we will be hosting our AGM from 7.30pm at school - we would love to see you, if you can come. Finally, on 24th November, Disco Fever hits for our annual winter disco. Look out for those permission/ song choice slips in your child's school bag.

Kind regards,


Laura Roberts

Acting Headteacher

CALENDAR DATES – 2017/18

November

Tues 21st: Horsham Museum visiting YR
Thurs 23rd: YR Phonics Workshop
PTA AGM, 8.00pm
Fri 24th: PTA School Disco

December

Mon 4th: KS1 Nativity to Playgroups/Pre-School Children
Tues 5th: KS1 Nativity to Whole School
Wed 6th: KS1 Nativity to Starfish/Seahorses/Turtles Parents
Thur 7th: KS1 Nativity to Octopus/Puffins/Dolphins Parents
Fri 8th: After School Clubs finish (except Karate)
Wed 13th: Chartwells Christmas dinner
Thur 14th: Pantomime Performance to Whole School
Wed 20th: Christingle Service – St. Peter's Church, 9.30am
Last day of Autumn Term

January 2018

Thurs 4th: Spring Term starts
Fri 19th: Y1 Phonics Workshop (details to follow)
Fri 26th: Y3 Assembly for Parents, 9.00am

February

Fri 2nd: Y6 Young Voices Concert, O2
Y2 Assembly for Parents, 9.00am
Mon 5th: YR visiting Henfield Library (details to follow)
Open Afternoon, 2.00 – 4.00pm
Tue 6th: Parent/Teacher Consultations, 3.30 – 5.30pm
Thur 8th: Parent/Teacher Consultations, 4.00 – 7.00pm
Fri 9th: INSET Day
w/b 12th: Half-term



Did you know ... there are five species of owl breeding regularly here in Britain, four of which (Barn, Tawny, Long-eared and Short-eared owl) are native and one (Little owl) which was introduced during the late 1800s. The Snowy Owl is a rare visitor from further north that has bred here on occasion and the small numbers of eagle owls breeding in the UK are thought to come from aviary escapes and deliberate releases.