



# Newsletter

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Newsletter

2<sup>nd</sup> July  
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Dear families,

School continues to be very busy but fun. We loved our sports day and the KS2 adventure day as well as all that we are doing in class. **Please note that our last Inset day for this year is on Monday, 5th July – see you on Tuesday!**

## Willow

In Willow Class we have read *The Bad Tempered Ladybird* by Eric Carle and thought about



different creatures that could be in the story. We drew and wrote our own page for a class version. We have listened to the Aesop Fable, the Sun and the Wind, and thought about kindness and resilience. In maths Year R have been doubling numbers and Year 1 have been working on place value to 100. We have talked about the features of minibeasts and invented our own minibeasts. We have typed up our Spider fact files using the laptops. We dug up our potatoes. Our caterpillars have turned into chrysalides. We

have predicted how long until they hatch into butterflies and we are very excited about this!

## Beech

In our topic, Creative Thinkers, we have

made bug hotels using natural materials such as pine cones, grass and leaves.



We have placed them in the quiet area and we will wait and see who moves in! We tried to be as creative as we could! We have been exploring shapes and arrays in maths – not at the same time though! In science we have been sorting minibeasts into groups such as no legs and legs. In English we have finished our minibeast fact files and are now planning our stories about our made up minibeasts. We watched James and the Giant Peach for inspiration!



## Holly

Holly class have continued working on their Maya script with Mrs Turner and have moved onto looking at Maya music this week.

We really enjoyed the Adventure day on Tuesday and, for some of us, it was the first time of trying activities such as archery and fire lighting. Cooking – and eating – the marshmallows seemed a particular favourite!



We have begun planning our stories ahead of writing them next week and in maths we have focused on multiplication and money problems.

In our Jigsaw lessons, Year 4 have been looking at and talking about the changes that happen to our bodies at puberty and Year 3 have talked about how a baby grows in a womb and what it looks like as it grows...we thought it looked like a baby bird or a dinosaur! We had a giggle today!

## Silver Birch

In Silver Birch we have been trying to think outside the box as part of our Change Makers theme. We have looked at the reasons why people are considering eating insects! This

ties in with our class reader 'Beetle Boy' – where we have learned about the incredible variety of insects as well as our focus on climate change – where eating insects is being suggested as a sustainable alternative protein source!



In maths we have been focusing on questioning and extending our learning by asking 'what if?' We have been investigating fractions as this has been a good opportunity to revisit a key area. In geography we have considered the impact of climate change on Bangladesh. We looked at the innovative ways that people around the world are dealing with rising sea levels, floods or other natural disasters. We then imagined becoming government officials tasked with building flood safe villages we designed. We also faced the real life difficulty of prioritisation – as we could not afford all the wonderful suggestions we came up with. We have continued to work hard on our production and it has been lovely to see the enthusiasm and confidence growing – with our lines and song lyrics!

### Sports Day Morning



We so enjoyed our sports day morning. It was wonderful to be able to hold this event and have families there to cheer everyone

on. The children were brilliant, trying their best, cheering each other on and showing our values so well, plus the weather was perfect!



There were some very close finishes in the races too and everyone earned points for their team!



The sports crew were brilliant at helping Mr Pitt and Mrs Green with the field events. Well done and thank-you to everyone for making this event so special and thank-you to the Friends of Bolney for the ice lollies for after and to the parents who helped clear up.



Please see the gallery on our website for more photos. We held the presentation of the cup on Friday and were so glad that our sports day was on Wednesday as it rained! The team with the most average points was Petworth, followed by Uppark, Parham and then Standen. It has been ten years since Petworth have won this cup, so they were delighted. This is the link to the presentation if you have not seen it yet.

<https://youtu.be/CdkdXudFr1M>

### The winning Petworth team:



### KS2 Adventure Day

KS2 had a fantastic day on Tuesday. We used some of our PE and Sport Premium money to provide the chance to try some new activities led by E3 Adventures. During the day not only did the children try out Hoover boards, archery, bushcraft, tree climbing and New Age curling they also further developed their listening and working together skills.



### Supporting your child at home through being active

Mr Pitt and some of the Y6 Sports Crew have recorded some ideas for you to try at home when supporting your child with their learning. Please look at the Active Learning Website page in the Home Learning section of our website for more information:

[https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/website/supporting\\_active\\_learning\\_/564868](https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/website/supporting_active_learning_/564868)



### **Gardening Club**

This week we: added to our flower bed, got cross with the slugs eating our produce, learned how to take cuttings from lavender, rosemary and mint, planted salad potatoes, made – and drank – chocolate mint tea, and weeded our beds.

**Please note that there will be NO gardening club on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July.**

### **House Team Charity Event**

Usually each year the four house teams select a charity that they wish to support and raise money for. Due to all the disruption to this year they have selected one together and have arranged a fundraising afternoon with the children doing skipping and art. They have chosen Kangaroos, a charity in Mid Sussex who provide a range of fun inclusive social and leisure activities for children and young adults with learning disabilities and additional needs.



Please support our house teams by sending in a minimum of a pound per family on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Coming into school during the school day**

If your child comes into school during the school day, after 9am, due to medical or late etc., please ensure an adult brings them to the office to be registered.

### **Answerphone**

Please note that the school answer machine is now switched on from 4pm each day (3.30 on Fridays). Please leave a message if trying to call after then, especially if it is about collecting children from an after school club.

### **Covid Symptoms and increased vigilance**

Thank-you so much for being extra vigilant regarding possible Covid symptoms, please can you continue to do this as cases in West Sussex continue to rise. Please email [office@bolneyprimary.school](mailto:office@bolneyprimary.school) if your child develops any symptoms of Covid in the next two days.

### **Village Day**

Many thanks to everyone who donated a bottle or more for the bottle tombola at tomorrow's Village Day. We look forward to seeing you there. ☺

### **Diary Dates**

#### **Village Day Tomorrow -**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2 – 5pm

#### **New YR (2021-22) Sessions**

Reading sessions Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 2.15pm held outside  
Parents Meeting Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm

#### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

House Team Charity fundraising event

#### **Budge Up**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July from 9.30am

#### **Y6 awards and Leavers' Service**

Y6 families only  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 9.15am

#### **Summer Term**

Ends Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

#### **Autumn Term**

Children return on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021

#### **INSET days 2021-22**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**Thank- you for your continued support with all that we do.**

**Mrs Kenny and all staff at  
Bolney CEP School**