



Newsletter

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Dear families,

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Harvest Service last Friday. The children shared their poems, drama and art beautifully and it is always a delight to hear them sing!
The school has been full of posters this week with pupils expressing an interest in being eco and school council representatives. Elections will be next week.

Willow Class

In Willow Class this week we have moved on to Castles and Castle models from 3d bricks. We made our own versions of Paul Klee's The Castle. We read books by David Melling, like The Kiss That Missed and Good Knight Sleep Tight and sequenced the story. We painted our Mini-Mes and worked on our fine motor skills, including holding pencils well, threading, pinching and writing our names. We have talked about our school rules and values and played games to encourage turn taking, listening and learning names. In maths we have been practising counting conkers and matching them to written numbers.



Beech Class

Beech class have continued to develop a love of learning through our topic Castles, Knights and

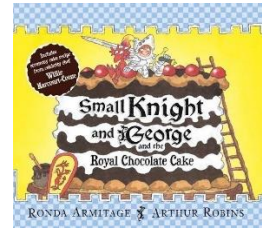
Dragons. In history we have been looking at William the Conqueror and the castles he helped build. Furthermore, we recreated the battle of Hastings and took on the daring roles of the Anglo-Saxons and the Normans. Can you believe the Norman's won! We are very excited to meet the history man next week.



In maths, we have been exploring the 'greater than' 'less than' and 'equal to' symbols. Miss Taylor helped us remember by saying that the 'crocodile always eats the bigger number because he is hungry!'



In English, we have been listening to the story 'Small Knight and George and the Royal Chocolate Cake'. We put ourselves in the story and changed the stories dessert to our favourites. These included, cake mixed with ice cream, chocolate fingers and Oreos!



Holly Class

Holly Class have continued to find out lots of interesting facts about the Romans.

In English we have been continuing our text Escape from Pompeii. We have acted as the characters in Pompeii before the Gentle Protector erupted. We have also been trying to write 50 word story starters, really focusing on language and effective vocabulary.



In history we learned about the Roman Army and how the Army were a key factor in the Romans being so successful in ruling their Empire. Ask the children what the 5 most important factors were.

In math's we have continued to explore place value, exploring numbers to 1000 and beyond. We have been using lots of different equipment such as union and base 10. We have been playing mental math's

games to help us learn our times tables and number bonds.



In computing we have learned about digital devices and we had to sort objects into whether they were digital or not. We also had to design our own digital device that incorporated several components that act as an input, process and output. These were components like lights, microphone, a switch and a screen. I was really impressed with the children's designs!



Silver Birch Class

We have been racing through Holes – our class reader. We are showing excellent inferences and enjoying lots of discussions about the characters and the plot. In English, we have been reading 'Shackleton's Journey' and learning about the trip across the Antarctic. We are using drama to record our thoughts and feelings in role – which will help us write more diary entries as crew members. We have also planned out our first interplayland – making a replica of Shackleton's ship – with each of us choosing a section of the boat we want to remake in detail. We are also hoping this will help us add lots of detail to our writing.

In science we have been investigating mixing solvents and solutes (water + salt) and finding the saturation point.

In maths, we have been working solidly on place value and

rounding, the Year 6s have now moved on to calculations. Year 6s have enjoyed Bikeability and are in the process of applying for their leadership roles.



Football/Netball Festival

Some children in Year 3 and 4 represented the school at a Mid Sussex sports event this week and last. They enjoyed a football and netball festival, showing our Bolney values.

Harvest Festival

Many thanks to those who donated and attended our Harvest Festival last week. We donated nearly a whole car full to Haywards heath foodbank.

Parking

You will see that there are now two reserved bays for blue badge holders. Please respect these families and keep the spaces free. A big thank you goes to the FoB for filling in the holes in the carpark too.

Parent Governor

We are on the lookout for a new parent Governor to join our board. If you are interested, please let us know. Nomination forms are out this week.

Values Awards

This week's certificates:
Love – Daisy G
Respect – Arya T
Resilience – Leilani C
Honesty – Louie McC

Friends of Bolney NEWS:

We are in the process of organising some great fundraising events for this term. Please see below for some dates for your diaries and areas where we are looking for a little help:

Wednesday 11th October 7pm - Meeting

Please join us for a Friends of Bolney meeting at The Eight Bells. All are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Thursday 19th October 2:30pm - Sponsored Bear Hunt Obstacle Course & Bake Sale

Parents are welcome to attend and we are also still in need of some helpers.

If you are able to donate cakes on the day for the bake sale that would be very much appreciated.

Friday 17th November - Mad Hat / Hair Day!

We will be asking for donations of Chocolates for the Christmas Fair tombola.

Thursday 23rd November - Express Yourself Non-Uniform Day!

We will be asking for bottle donations (drinks, toiletries etc) for the Christmas Fair tombola.

Wednesday 29th November - Christmas Wreath Making Workshop

Details to be sent out very soon.

Saturday 2nd December 1pm - 4pm - Christmas Fair and Grand Draw

If anyone is able to donate a raffle prize please let us know or if anyone is able to give some time to help us source prizes that would be very much appreciated. Thank you for your support! Friends of Bolney

Diary Dates:

See the website calendar for lots more dates:

<https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/web/calendar/223211>

Ms Lofthouse and all staff at Bolney CEP School