



# Newsletter

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## Dear families,

I find it hard to believe we are now in our last half term and I am savouring each day before I retire. I will miss seeing everyone each day and the privilege of seeing children grow from a baby to being in school!

## Willow

In Willow Class we have started our new theme, Younger Leaders. We have talked about pets we have and pets we want. We have talked about our bodies and how we have changed over time. We enjoyed a fantastic Sports Day! We have learnt more about the functions of different parts of plants. In maths, Year 1 have been doubling and halving and dividing by sharing and grouping. Year R have been using the language of doubling and halving and sharing.



Year 1 have learnt new alternative ways of writing sounds we already knew in phonics. We are encouraging them to write more in one go. Year R have practised segmenting simple words independently and recapped the sounds we have found tricky to remember so far.

## Beech

In Beech Class, we have focused on our new theme of 'Young Leaders' where we are exploring how to be independent, responsible and reliable when caring for our pets. To start with, Mrs Burton brought her two pet turtles into school and discussed how she keeps them safe. The class asked lots of very good questions to further their own understanding. The class have decided that they would like to develop their own pet directory to help others care for their pets.



We have also had a visit from Sophie's mum, who is a nurse at a local vets, who explained more about how she cares for animals.



In English, we have been looking at the Little Kids First Big Book of Pets. We have analysed the layout of different pages to help us decide how we would like to

set out our own information pages. In maths, we have collected the data of which pets we have at home by using tally charts. The children then used pictograms to show their results. Some even challenged themselves by trying to get one picture to represent more than one pet! In D.T., we have begun to design blankets for our pets in our vets role play area. The children have selected the fabrics they would like to use before Mrs Bridger brings in her 100-year-old sewing machine!

## Holly

We have finally finished our brilliant text 'The Day I fell into a Fairytale' and we have started planning our own stories based around falling into a fairytale. We have been reading Gender Swapped Fairy Tales too which the children have loved.

In art, we have been continuing to make our animals with clay and adding marks to give the animals some identifying features. We have also been learning about different artists and illustrators. This week we looked Liz Pichon who illustrates the Tom Gates books. The children learned about her process and had a go at drawing emotions on Tom Gates' face. We also had to make musical moodles where we listened to three music tracks and had to draw anything that the music made us feel or think of. We had some excellent drawings!



In maths we have continued with decimals and exploring what happens when we divide by 10 and 100. We used place value counters to help us. We have also been wandering around the school using our right angle testers to find right angles, acute and obtuse angles. We found a great song helping us remember their names! In science, we used our electricity equipment to make circuits, this time we were looking at conductors and insulators and what happens when we add different objects into our circuits. Ask your child what we found out!

In R.E. we have been discussing the question, 'What kind of world did Jesus want?' We talked about our most precious possessions and how we would feel if they were taken from us. The children shared amazing examples of objects that had significant meaning to them.

### **Silver Birch**

In Silver Birch we have been learning the column method for multiplication. This is a more efficient and fluent way to multiply and Year 6s are building up their confidence and fluency in preparation for Year 7! In English, we have researched gods, heroes, monsters and myths from Ancient Greece. We are going to pick out the most interesting and weird bits of information, ready to present in a format of our choice – posters,

information page or powerpoints.

Mrs Wood has been teaching her amazing art skills and ideas looking at the work of different artists! Can you guess who inspired these pictures?



We have also been very busy preparing for the Mid Sussex Science Fair following our work with our local industry partners HPC - a Burgess Hill company that produces air compressors. Our production is also coming along nicely – we have worked on character, intonation, stage presence and following stage directions and things are starting to fall into place!

### **Y3 and Y4 Sports Festival**

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June the rescheduled sports festival took place at Twineham for invited year 3 and 4 pupils. The children completed the many activities in groups with children from other NEARS schools which was lovely.

### **Sports Day**

All the children really enjoyed the sports day morning, and they did so well. It was wonderful to be able to have the whole school together for this. The children showed our values and sportsmanship so well. For the first time in many, many years Standen Team won the sports trophy. Well done to everyone!



Thank-you for all your support and generous donations for the refreshments. Thank-you also to the Friends of Bolney for organising the refreshments and to Caroline Beart for helping at the finish line.

### **Container design competition**

Amy, the mural artist who is working with us to paint the container, is selecting ideas from the designs completed by the children. Thank-you to all the children who took part in this. We are looking forward to seeing the final design and mural!

### **Book Nook Book Fair**

We often use the Book Nook, an independent children's book shop in Hove, to help us find books to support our learning. It is a great book shop with very knowledgeable staff -

<https://booknookuk.com/>

On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June they are coming to school and working with each class during the day. They are bringing a selection of books to share and you are able to view these from 2.30 in the hall and buy or order any. If you prefer you can send some money in with your child in a named envelope for them to buy a book during the day.

### **Sharing Learning**

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July we are holding an open afternoon for children to share their learning with parents and carers. Please join us from 2.30.

### **Uniform**

Please ensure your child does not wear nail varnish to school and that their hair is tied back if it is long or in their eyes. For the next non-uniform day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June please can children wear suitable shoes, not open toe sandals.



### Car Park Safety

Please ensure your child is with you at all time in the car park and please collect them from the gate if you have driven into the car park. **Please remember to leave the car park for families with pre-school children.** If there is no room to park please park elsewhere, we will hold onto your child until you arrive.

### Jubilee Posters

The children made posters and bunting to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee for Lloyds Bank who sent us this message:



*"Thank you for the bunting and posters. They will be used to decorate the banking hall of the Lloyds Bank branch in Burgess Hill."*



### Travel Plan

We are updating our Travel Plan – this plan helps us identify where the risks of travelling to and from school are and what we are doing to reduce them. **We would very much like some parents to help us with this plan.** If you are interested please let Zoe know.

### Showing our values well:



Lucca and Harley for showing love and respect by being helpful.



Henry and Elliot for showing love by being kind.

### Diary Dates:

#### Book Nook Book Fair

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2.30

#### Non-uniform days

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June in exchange for a bottle for Village Day tombola

#### Kidzania – Whole School

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June

**INSET day:** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022

#### New Year R Story Time

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July and  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 2.15

#### New Year R Parents Meeting

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 6.30pm

#### Diocese Y6 Leavers Service

Christ's Hospital Chapel  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 1.30

### NEARS Sports Morning

– pupils selected from KS2  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July at Handcross  
Park School

### Sharing work with families

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July from 2.30

### Silver Birch Summer Production

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday  
14<sup>th</sup> July 6pm at the Rawson Hall  
(COVID situation allowing)

### Off the Fence Treasure Hunt

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July

### Meeting new teacher and class

– "Budge Up" morning  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 9.30-10.30  
including new Year R

### Jubilee Garden Party and farewell

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm

### Y6 Leavers Service

St Mary Magdalene Church  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 9.15

### Last day of summer term

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

### INSET days 2022-23

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023,  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023,  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023.

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

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

