

The Blue Letter: 2nd July 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

If your child is in the current reception year or year one and you don't want them to have school meals in September, please email the [office](#) and let them know. If your child is currently in year 2 and you would like them to continue to have school meals in September you will need to book and pay for these via the website <https://westsussex.mealselector.co.uk/>

I am pleased to be able to share the news that we have appointed Mr Luke Rogers as teacher to cover staff PPA time next year and Miss Yasmin Sheikh to work alongside Mrs Pendle in Squirrel Class in the mornings. Mr Rogers will be working on Wednesdays and Thursdays and will teach PE and Music to each class. Mrs Pendle and Mrs Sheikh (who some of the children know already) will share the teaching of Maths and English in the mornings to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, supported by the fantastic teaching assistants. Mrs Pendle will be with the class in the afternoon.

We are really hoping that the restrictions ease on 19th July so that children can spend time in their new classes before the end of term. We have also planned for the children in year 2 and year 4 to spend time outside with Mrs Pearson or Mrs Martin in the next two weeks to enable them to start to get to know each other better.

Dates

Below are some dates of events for the end of this term and the start of the autumn term.

Wednesday 7th July - new reception children outdoor visit

Tuesday 13th July - sports day. We are sorry that we are not able to invite parents to join us for sports day this year. Please send your child to school in their PE kit.

Wednesday 14th July new reception children outdoor visit

Wednesday 21st July time in new classes (if restrictions allow)

Wednesday 21st July year 6 BBQ 5pm- 7pm. We will provide them with food and drink. They can bring their bikes to this if they would like.

Thursday 22nd July 2.00pm Leavers' Service at the Priory. We are able to invite two parents to attend with each year 6 child. The service will be live streamed on the Boxgrove Priory Facebook page. This is a public account, so we do need your permission for the children to take part. If you are not happy for this, they will be seated where they cannot be seen by the camera and will not be able to take an active part in the service. Please let us know if you don't give permission for your child to take part in this way. We encourage other family members to log into Facebook to watch this and the rest of the school will be watching from their classrooms.

Friday 23rd July last day of term

Thursday 2nd September INSET day

Friday 3rd September INSET day

Monday 6th September first day of term for years 1-6

Tuesday 7th September first day of term for new reception children 9.15am

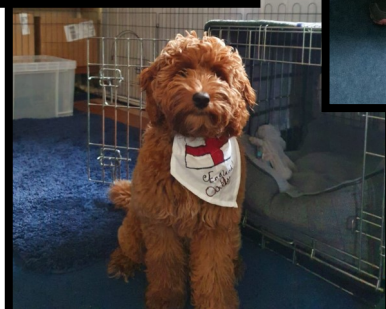
Year 6 Outdoor learning

This week we have been learning : whittling, how to saw safely, how to use an axe safely and how to make a tipi fire. We had a great time making the tipi fire, using thick sticks and kindling to make it into the shape of a tipi. We used some tops as a fire starter, which last week we had made into charcoal, didn't really work. So we went back to using cotton wool which made the fire roar. For whittling we collected some hazel sticks and made one of the ends sharp with a knife (the knives were used safely) and we made the other end flat to write our names. With the sawing we got a big log which was dead so was pretty easy but also quite hard to cut. We used a bow-saw and did it in pairs. Some people then went with Mrs. Scott and used an axe to split the logs that we had cut in half. At the end we were treated to some Oreo hot chocolate and marshmallows. We toasted the marshmallows over the fire using the sticks that we had whittled. - *Oscar and Archie*



Oakley

We have discovered this week that Oakley is a football fan! The children spent some of their lunchtime making him a bandana so that he can support the team whilst watching on Saturday with Mrs Sheehan and her family. Mrs Scott then took it home to him and create a channel for his collar .

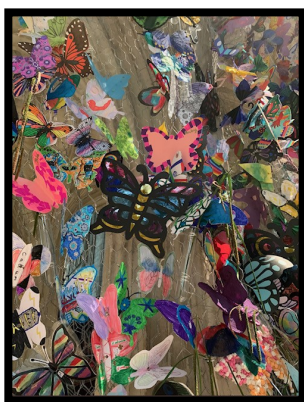


Year 6 leaver's Hoodies

Thank you to the PTFA who have funded the hoodies for year 6 again this year. They may be the only group who are pleased it has been cool enough to wear a hoodie!



Cathedral Butterflies



1400 children from year 6 across the diocese including the children from Boxgrove have created a butterfly and sent it to the Cathedral. These have been arranged to represent their transition from primary to secondary. They will be on display in the Cathedral until July 15th. I encourage you to go and have a look. If you do go we'd love you to share any pictures you take. These ones have been shared by the diocese.



Achievers Well done to all our achievers this week:



Squirrel Class: Well done to Elsie, Darcey, Isla, Elisia, Fynnly and Georgia.

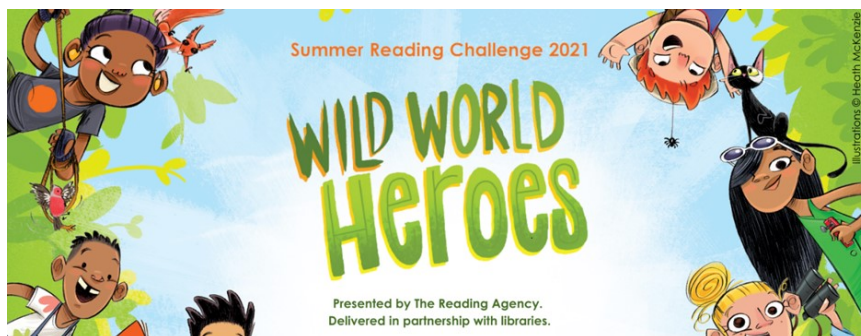
Fox Class: Well done to Eli and Leo.

Owl Class: Well done to Jack, Isabelle and Nina.

Summer Reading Challenge News from the Library Service

As the summer holidays are fast approaching now is the ideal time to register for Wild World Heroes the 2021 Summer Reading Challenge 2021!

This year children can join the heroes of Wilderville, and their trusted animal companions, in saving the natural world. It's fun and free to take part - keep an eye out for a special bookmark invitation with more information coming home with your child soon.



Get ahead of the game and sign up today online at www.westsussex.gov.uk/src then head to your local library from **Saturday 10th July** to collect a special goody bag. Inside you will find everything you need to take part in the challenge, including the ever-popular scratch & sniff smelly stickers, plus rewards and activities to help keep children amused over the holidays. Don't forget to borrow some library books and start reading!

Children have all summer to read their chosen books but once completed come back to the library from **Monday 2 August** to collect a gold medal and certificate.

Want to learn more about the Summer Reading Challenge? Watch our [Summer Reading Challenge assembly video](#) (we had great fun making this!!)

For reading inspiration why not explore the official Wild World Heroes [book list](#)? Children can choose to read any library books and there are books of all kinds to choose from at their local library. Don't forget, [eBooks](#), [eAudiobooks](#) and [eMagazines](#) all count too!

We have more fun resources and information on reading and the environment on our own [Wild World Heroes](#) webpage, where we'll be sharing more activities to join in with at home throughout the summer.

Holiday course

HOLIDAY COURSES

2021 COURSES

**PATHWAY COACHING**

Our courses are open to boys and girls aged 5-12 unless stated. All children must wear shin pads and either trainers or football boots. Children must bring lunch and plenty to drink.

Bognor Arena
August - 9th, 10th & 11th. 23rd, 24th & 25th.

Storrington Football Club
August - 4th & 5th. 18th & 19th.

10am - 3pm**£16 a day**

TO BOOK A PLACE CALL OR EMAIL US:

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