The Blue Letter: 1st October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,



It's been a fairly quiet week in school. It seems that the cases of coronavirus are decreasing and so we are hoping that as we go through next week, we will be able to start letting the children play together outside again. As the weather changes, can I remind you that we spend a lot of time outside during the day and only stay in when the rain is really heavy. Children need to have a coat in school so that even during drizzle they can go outside to play. On PE days they may choose to wear leggings, jogging bottoms or tracksuit bottoms rather than shorts but please ensure they are a plain colour - blue, black or grey. Jumpers, cardigans or fleeces need to be school uniform. For safety (and to prevent the spread of head lice) please make sure long hair is tied back everyday.

Sunday 10th October is World Mental Health Day. We will be marking this in school on <u>Monday 11th</u> <u>October</u> by having a rainbow dress down day. We will ask that you <u>donate £1</u> to support children and young people's NHS mental health services and in return your child can come to school dressed in either one colour of the rainbow or all the colours of the rainbow! If it's a PE day for your child, please ensure that the clothes and shoes they wear are suitable for PE. The money raised will go towards the Heads On Charity. Heads On is the official NHS charity for Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust who deliver child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) in Sussex and Hampshire. All money raised will support our local CAMHS teams to go above and beyond what would otherwise be possible.

Our Governing Body is looking for a new Clerk. This job involves preparing the agenda for the meetings, taking meeting notes and writing minutes of the meetings, which take place six times a year. Do get in touch if you are interested or would like to know more.

Monday 4th October	Squirrel Class PE
Tuesday 5th October	Owl Class PE
Wednesday 7th October	Fox Class PE Outdoor learning Session 4 - Year 2 (bring in a change of clothes - long sleeves, long trousers, trainers or boots if wet, coat if needed)
Thursday 8th October	Squirrel Class PE Owl Class PE
Friday 9th October	<u>Deadline for ordering photos through school</u> Fox Class PE

Outdoor learning.

This week we made pictures with leaves, sticks, stones and bark that had fallen off the tree. We built a big fire all together. It was fun. We chopped bits from the willow dome, we pulled off the leaves and used a knife to take off the green outside. We then used these sticks with our marshmallows. We made nettle tea. Some of us liked it and some of us didn't like it! We made a music set with the logs and the willow sticks. It was a great sound. - *Mark and Callen*



All Children in Years 1 -6 will do a 5 week block of outdoor learning over this academic year. Sessions will be detailed on the diary at the front of the blue letter each week.

Autumn 2 - Year 4 (Thursdays) Spring 1 - Year 3 (Thursdays) Spring 2 - Year 5 (Wednesdays) Summer 1 - Year 1 (Thursday) Summer - 2 Year 6 (Wednesdays)

Oakley Update

Oakley joined squirrel class when they went for a walk around the field. Oakley is happiest when is able to be with the children. He doesn't like it when he can hear noises from his comfy spot in the office and doesn't know what they are!





<u>Achievers</u> Well done to all our achievers this week:

