The Blue Letter: 7th October 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

Photo order deadline

If you would like to order copies of your child's photograph through school, the deadline is tomorrow, <u>Tuesday 8th October</u>.

Hello Yellow - World Mental Health Day

<u>Thursday 10th October</u> is world mental health day. We would like everyone to come in wearing yellow clothing (or P.E tshirt is ok if you don't have anything else) During mental health day we will be leading the rest of the school in some fun activities related to mental health. - Freddie and Elise (Mental Health Ambassadors)

Chestnut Tree House

Thank you for your donations on Friday, we raised a total of £136.80 This means our current total is £764.99 Our final fundraising event is our cake sale on Thursday 17th October. We would like donations of cakes that morning. The children will visit the cake sale, during the morning just before playtime. Please send your child to school with some change to buy a cake. Left over cakes will be sold from Owl Classroom at the end of the day. If you make cakes, please send an ingredient list with your cakes, so that we can be sure which cakes children with allergies are safe to eat.

School PE tracksuit.

Thanks to all of those who have answered the questionnaire, your feedback has been really helpful. When we return after half term, we will be asking children in Fox and Owl Class to come to school in their PE kit. The options will be

- Current school PE kit of royal blue shorts and yellow t Shirt, school jumper, cardigan or fleece, trainers suitable for PF
- A school branded tracksuit with the yellow T shirt
- Part of the school branded tracksuit and current PE kit
- Plain unbranded navy tracksuit bottoms, jogging trousers, yellow T shirt and school tracksuit top or school jumper, cardigan or fleece.

The tracksuit will be available to buy from Game, Set and Match and we will let you know when they are available for purchase.

We have made the decision not to include Squirrel Class in this as they are the children who need most practice at dressing themselves independently and changing at school gives the best opportunity to practice this. As most of our PE lessons take place outside, they can wear the school PE tracksuit on cold days or plain navy tracksuit or jogging bottoms. The tracksuit will be available to buy as separate items, so you can choose to buy the top, bottoms, or neither.

Phonics meetings for Reception Parents

We will be holding a phonics information meeting for parents of children in Reception on <u>Tuesday 15th October</u> at 2.30pm. We will run through the programme and explain how you can support your child. There will also be an opportunity during the session to sign up to come and join in a phonic session.

Advance Dates (new dates in Red)
Tuesday 15th October—phonics meeting Year R parents
2.30pm
Thursday 17th October - cake sale
Friday 18th October whole school walk
Monday 21st October—parents evening 3.30pm-5.30pm
Thursday 24th October—parents evening 4pm-6pm
Monday 28th October Half term
Monday 4th November INSET Day
Wednesday 6th November—Energy Sparks workshop
Wednesday 6th November—Year 4 forest school starts
11th Nov - anti bullying week
Tuesday 12th November odd socks day
Thursday 12th December - Chartwell Christmas lunch
Tuesday 17th December –Nativity play
Thursday 19th December—Theatre trips
Monday 6th January 2025 INSET Day

Tues 8th October	author visit Fox and Owl Class French Club
Weds 9th October	Year 2 Forest School—bring change of clothes
Thurs 10th October	World Mental Health Day - wear yellow Dance club
Fri 11th October	Harvest Service 2pm Create club
Mon 14th October	

last week in school

Fox Class have been busy learning how to weave and have discovered it's not as easy as it looks!











Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service this year, will take place in the church at 2pm on Friday 11th October. All parents are welcome to join us for this service. We just ask that the first 5 or 6 rows each side are left for the children to sit on. Please send your child with a food donation on Friday 11th, which will go with the harvest collection from the church to either the local Foodbank or Stonepillow, (a homeless charity).

Thank you for all the 10ps you have sent so far. We have also been learning about the work of The Garden Route Children's Trust who work with poor communities in South Africa. We learnt how just 10p can feed a child breakfast, so that a child doesn't go to school hungry and £20 feeds a child breakfast for a whole year. From now until 11th October we will also be

collecting 10p pieces to see how much we can raise. So look down the back of the sofa and check the pockets of old coats, raid your change pot and let us have your 10p pieces!



Brilliant Boxgrove

Well done to those who were given certificates this week for showing one or more of our school values.



