

Spring Term

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newsletter

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Headteacher's Welcome

Dear All,

The children have had a busy week with fun topics, school trips, helping in the community and sports events!

Many thanks to all parents/carers who have booked their face-to-face Parents Evening slots which are being held on Tues 7th & Weds 9th February. Please book your place via the link sent by email and text if you have not already done so. Please contact the office if you are unable to attend.

A reminder that Oak & Maple classes are closed on Weds 1st February due to teacher strike action. For those who attend Fizz Pop Science club after school, this is still running so please bring your child to school for 3:10pm.

You will have all received information about the impending changes to how school meals are ordered. ParentPay Activation letters will be sent out via email on Monday 30th January. This applies to ALL parents/carers even if your child is entitled to a free school meal, so please keep an eye on your emails.

Best wishes from the Thakeham Family.

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Who Are We Celebrating This Fortnight?

Positive,
Persevering Perry



Co-operative
Caring Chloe



Headteacher
Award



Reflective,
Reviewing Rowan



Curious,
Questioning Cleo



Amber (Acorn)
Matilda (Oak)
Austin (Elder)

Eryn V (Maple)
Zack M (Maple)
Austin (Elder)

Governor Award
Austin (Elder)

Edward (Acorn)
Erin W (Maple)
Jessica (Elder)
Leighton (Elder)
Marcus (Elder)
Sadie (Elder)

Bertie (Maple)

Attendance Figures

Thank you for your support in helping our pupils to see the value in each and every day at school. We track attendance because only a little missed can have a huge long-term impact on a child's progress. **Our target is 97%**. Current attendance percentages for the new academic year to date are:

Acorn Class: **98%**

Oak Class: **91%**

Maple Class: **97%**

Elder Class: **96%**

Our School Values

Care – Cooperation – Honesty – Responsibility – Perseverance – Curiosity – Reflection

These are the values that drive our school. They feed into how we learn, how we act with one another, how we teach, how we handle our pastoral elements; so much of what we do! So, it is important we remember them. Our Super Learning Heroes relate directly to these and are how we make our values child friendly. They all come under our new, 'Thakeham Way'.

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School Life

Some of the exciting activities some of our pupils have experienced over the last few weeks!

Year 6's taking part in their Community Award by making biscuits & serving them with refreshments at Thakeham Village Hall. They also helped set up and clear away!



Maple class enjoyed a trip to the Worthing Symphony Orchestra – many thanks to FoTS for funding the coach journey!



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Some Oak class pupils took part in a Year 1/2 Multigames taster session with other local schools at Steyning Grammar School's Shooting Field site. They all enjoyed the variety of games!



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Acorn class have been learning all about Chinese New Year. The children have opened up their own Chinese restaurant in the role play area, tasted Chinese food, made lanterns and lucky envelopes and retold 'The Great Race' through their PE dance lessons.



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Oak Class as part of their Surf's Up! topic celebrated Australia Day by boarding a flight to Australia, meeting a wombat & learning all about the didgeridoo!



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Oak Class enjoyed a trip to Drusillas to learn about animals and their habitats as part of their topic work.



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Time to Shine!

Please see below for some exciting news from our community. We are so proud of everything our pupils do and want to share!

Lucy & Alhannah both took part in a production of Mary Poppins Jr with Sandra Wilson's School of Performing Arts. Lucy played Jane Banks, her first main part which meant a lot of lines to learn, she did a fantastic job! Alhannah made her debut & put her heart & soul into singing & dancing – well done! *****Our last Newsletter featured a piece about Lucy being in Frozen Jr on 25th & 26th February – she will now NOT be appearing in the production *****



Dexter took part in a rugby tournament, making lots of tackles & scoring a try!



Max met the legendary Joe Wicks during a workout session at his London studio!



Dates for Your Diary

- **30th January:** ParentPay Go-Live to order school meals (Activation letters will be sent on Monday)- these apply to **ALL** pupils
- **1st February:** Oak & Maple classes closed due to teacher strikes – Fizz Pop Science afterschool club still running
- **7th February:** Parents Evening for Years 1-6
- **9th February:** Parents Evening for Years R-6
- **13th-17th February:** Half term
- **20th February:** Return to school
- **17th March:** Comic Relief Red Nose Day (further info to follow nearer the time)
- **31st March:** INSET Day (last day of term)
- **3rd-14th April:** Easter holidays
- **17th April:** Start of Summer term - return to school
- **1st May** – Bank Holiday
- **8th May:** Extra Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation
- **29th May-2nd June:** May half term
- **5th June:** INSET Day
- **6th June:** return to school
- **11th June:** Thakeham Village/FoTS Fundraiser Day – SAVE THE DATE!!
- **21st July:** last day of term
- **24th July-31st August:** School summer holidays

A new school lunch ordering system, ParentPay, is coming to your school.



Book all meals, universal, free or paid, online, for all school lunches from Monday 30th January 2023.

Ordered meals will be served from Monday 6th March

It's easy, quick and safe.
Select your meal choices in advance.

DON'T FORGET!

SCHOOL MEALS ARE FREE FOR ALL PUPILS IN RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2.

MEAL ORDERING WITH PARENTPAY

A new meal ordering system is coming to Thakeham Primary School!

This is for all Free school meals, Universal free meals, and paid meals.

WHEN?

Start booking from 30th January 2023 for lunches starting from 6th March 2023. All lunches up until Friday 3rd March 2023 will continue to be booked via Meal Selector (Paid Parents) or via the school office for KS1 children.

WHO?

Parents/Carers, you will see a new Payment Item in your ParentPay account. You must log in and order meals through this new Payment Item. You **MUST** order the exact meal in advance for your child on the days you require them to have a hot meal.

Medical diets and Lifestyle can be selected at the point of ordering, medical evidence is still required for allergies.

HOW?

Book your meals through ParentPay and the Chartwells kitchen teams will have the orders on a tablet known as Cypad. This will show the chosen meal along with your child's information on screen, and the meal you ordered to be served that day. All meals are subject to supplier availability.

FURTHER INFORMATION COMING SOON!



PANCAKE DAY

Friday 24th February 2023

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full menu at

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Primary
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Storrington

Chanctonbury
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RH20 4BG

Bognor Regis

Barnham
Community
Hall
PO22 0AY

*Lady of Sion
Senior School
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*Worthing Leisure Centre,
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PREMIER HOLIDAY CAMPS



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ACTIVITY

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A packed lunch
Plenty of water
Suitable clothing
Loads of energy!

Have a fantastic February half-term with our multi-activity holiday camps!

These camps are a perfect blend of activities for all ages, combining different sports with a variety of team games.

Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities that children may not have tried before - from roller skating to fencing, lacrosse to cheer.

Book now for a half-term full of fun!



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MORE INFORMATION

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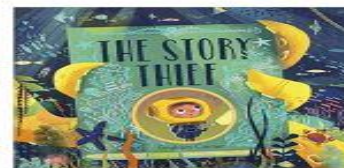
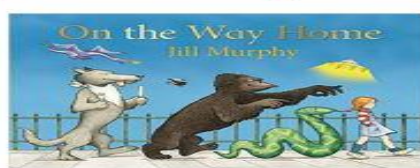
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Story Explorers



Join us for some half-term holiday fun with stories and a craft activity

Suitable for children aged 3 years and up

Booking essential – please speak with library staff to reserve a place.

Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity

**Friday 17th February 2023
10.30am-11.30am**



Storrington Library
Ryecroft Lane
Storrington RH20 4PA

01903 839050

FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS AT LODGE HILL



Thursday 16th February

Friday 17th February



£25 PER CHILD PER DAY!



• 9:30am—3pm

- These days are for 8-12 year olds
- Lunch is not included, please bring a packed lunch
 - Biscuits and squash will be provided
- Spaces are limited and pre-booking is essential



BOOKING IS VIA EMAIL ONLY ADMIN@LODGEHILL.ORG.UK

⇒We are unable to store or administer medication

⇒No half day bookings

⇒Places cannot be held for friends. Each child must be booked by a parent/guardian.

⇒We can only secure your booking once we have received payment AND the completed consent form

⇒Payment is non-refundable and the days are non-transferrable

⇒Please note these days are not suitable for children with additional needs. Contact us for alternative events.

⇒Please do not bring your child to Lodge Hill if they are showing symptoms of COVID or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive

⇒Lodge Hill Centre, Watersfield, Nr Pulborough, West Sussex, RH20 1LZ

BEAVERS

TIME FOR FUN

For fun, friendship and activities that get you thinking as well as doing.

For children age 6-8 years:

Mohican - Mondays 5:45-7pm

Blackfoot- Wednesdays 5:45-7pm

The Parminter Scout Centre, Thakeham Road,
Storrington, Pulborough RH20 3PP

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After School Choir for Kids

TUESDAYS 4.00PM - 5.30PM
STORRINGTON VILLAGE HALL
AGES: 7 - 13

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TIME AND DATE

Mondays 17:00-18:00

LOCATION

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Online Music Lessons - Thakeham Primary School Discounted Christmas Holiday Lessons Available

Does your child wish to learn an instrument or sing? Try a free, no-commitment taster lesson!

SAM Music Service provide one-to-one online music lessons, both during term-time and over the school holidays at a discounted rate. Enquire at SAMMusicService.com to try a free taster lesson.

Click the link below to enquire and watch a video about SAM's online instrument lessons:

<https://sammusicservice.com/>

- Free, no-commitment taster lesson, try an instrument
- Discounted Christmas holiday lessons available
- Playback videos of your lessons, helpful for practice
- Progress through Grade exams, also available online
- Performance opportunities in school assemblies and concerts
- Online weekly 30 minute 1:1 lessons Mon-Fri up to 8pm, and Sats 9am-5pm
- Learn to play Guitar / Drum Kit / Piano (Keyboard) / Vocals from home
- Enquire by visiting www.sammusicservice.com or calling 0800 756 9411

"Both my daughters look forward to their individual weekly lessons. They are both making excellent progress and have a great rapport with their teachers. It's easy and straightforward to connect online for lessons! Highly recommended with 5 stars!! ★★★★★"

Mrs Wellman-Bailey

SAM Music Service provides **30 minute 1:1 online music lessons**, allowing your child the opportunity of learning to play the **guitar, drum kit, piano / keyboard or to sing** from home.

Lessons are weekly and affordable at £17.50 per lesson and £16 in the holidays, suitable for both children and adults, and the **first lesson is free!** SAM also offers **gift vouchers** to purchase here: <https://www.sammusicservice.com/gift-vouchers/> - the ideal musical gift!

To enquire, complete the short contact form on SAM's website (www.sammusicservice.com), and they'll be in touch soon, or you can email lessons@sammusicservice.com, or call **0800 756 9411** to speak to one of their friendly team. Or reach out on social media [@sammusicservice](https://www.instagram.com/sammusicservice)