



Autumn Term

1st December 2023

newsletter

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Welcome

Dear All,

Slightly late Newsletter this time due to our Christmas Fayre on Friday which was a great success!!!

A huge thank you to our local community and businesses who donated very generous prizes to our raffle:

Waitrose, Tesco, Black Horse Findon, Red Lion Ashington, Golden Panda, The Pamper Hut, Robert Butcher Brazilaki in Portslade, The Card Shop, Post Office, KW Martin Lundy-Lester Estate Agent, Meadow Stores, Tomwood Treats, Sky Park Farm, Fishers Farm, Vintage Rose, Joanna's Tearoom and Perform company.

The Christmas Fayre organised by FoTS raised nearly £700, uniform sale £76.50, Bags2School initiative £80 and Christmas card designs £191. The funds will go directly to benefit the school so thank you for all your support and generosity.

Our recent Children in Need day also raised £97 for a fantastic cause!

The children have been busy rehearsing for the nativity play over the last two weeks, Wonder class visited the local library, Franklin learnt important lifesaving skills during a visit by Little Lifesavers and some YR 3/4 children took part in a Football taster at Steyning Grammar School. Further information about the nativity plays have been sent today so please check your emails.

Email us at: office@thakehamps.co.uk

Call us on: 01903 740176

Best wishes from the Thakeham Family.

Who Are We Celebrating This Fortnight?

Positive,
Persevering Perry



Co-operative
Caring Chloe



Headteacher
Award



Reflective,
Reviewing Rowan



Curious,
Questioning Cleo



Isla (Beatles)
Bertie (Marley)
Harley (Marley)
Stanley (Marley)

Jasper (Wonder)

Naia (Beatles)
Malakai (Wonder)
Nikos (Franklin)

Marcus (Franklin)

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:

Beatles Class: **99%**

Wonder Class: **98%**

Marley Class: **96%**

Franklin Class: **96%**

Our School Values

CARE – COURAGE – AMBITION – RESPECT – ENJOYMENT

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'.

School Life

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

Wonder Class visit to Storrington Library



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Year 3/4 Football Taster at Steyning Grammar School



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Franklin Class Little Lifesavers session



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Christmas Fayre 2023



Dates for Your Diary

- **8th December:** Steyning Grammar School Jail Break visit for NSPCC (info sent today)
- **11th December:** Beatles class Nativity – (9:30am)
- **12th December:** Whole School Nativity – 2:15pm (spaces booking now open)
- **14th December:** Whole School Nativity - (9:30am –spaces booking now open), Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
- **15th December:** Last day of term
- **18th December-1st January** – Christmas holidays
- **2nd January:** Inset Day
- **3rd January:** Return to school
- **18th January:** Census Day

Inset Days 2023/2024

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

For every child that eats a school lunch on census day, the school receives government funding, every child counts!

CENSUS DAY!

18TH JANUARY 2024

MENU

**Beef Pasta Bolognese or
Vegetarian Meatless Balls in
Tomato Sauce with Rice**

-
Peas or Salad

-
Chocolate Brownie

Holiday Return Menu

**Jacket Potato with Baked Beans
OR**

Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo

(Contains FISH, EGG, MUSTARD)

Sweetcorn and Beetroot Salad

Jelly and Custard

(Contains MILK)

Milk or Water

(Contains MILK)

If you want to try a bit of each, or enjoy a taster pot and you are in Reception, Year 1 or 2, booking the meal is still free and counts towards your school funding, so lets come together to support your school.

**PLEASE BOOK YOUR MEAL ON PARENTPAY, BY 4/01/24.
*SPECIAL DIETS WILL RECEIVE THEIR SIGNED OFF MENU.**

The Back to School menu is subject to availability and items from either menu may be used. The menus will be in use when access during half term/ bank holiday and inset days is limited.

THANK YOU

Thakeham Primary School

for raising a fantastic

£97.05!!

The money you have raised will be used to help change the lives of children and young people facing disadvantage in communities across the UK.

**BBC
CHILDREN
IN NEED**

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS



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YOUR NEAREST HOLIDAY CAMPS...

Worthing	Adur	Arun	Storrington
Our Lady of Sion Senior School	Sompting Village Primary School	The Angmering School	Chanctonbury Leisure Centre
		Barnham Community Hall	

*18th Dec - 21st Dec, for children in Year 1 - Year 6
 *Drop off from 8.30-4pm £24.53
 *ALL HAF venues, please book via WSCC website
 *ALL Ofsted registered, Childcare Vouchers accepted
 *10% GFF if all dates booked

PLEASE BRING

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

With great value sports, performing arts, and games to enjoy each half term, we have plenty for your children to get stuck into in the school break.

Over the winter break, there will be lots of festive fun to enjoy too.

Our Holiday Camps keep children entertained, safe & on the move during the school holidays.

Book now for a school holiday full of fun!

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*T&Cs apply. Refer a friend discount on new bookings only.



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NEXT STEP COACHING

CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL FUN DAYS

WHEN

9:30am-3pm Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st December

AGE GROUPS

School years 1-7

WHERE

Durrington Infant and Junior School, BN13 2JD

PRICE

£20 a day or £70 for all 4 days
8:45am early drop off available for £3



www.nextstepcoachinggroup.co.uk



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Monday 18th December	9:30am-3pm
Tuesday 19th December	9:30am-3pm
Wednesday 20th December	9:30am-3pm
Thursday 21st December	9:30am-3pm



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Recycle your Tree!

Supporting



Storrington & Pulborough District

Registration closes Sunday, 7th January, 2024



www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree

Chestnut Tree House will receive 50% of the net monies raised and Turning Tides 25%. The rest will be used by the Rotary Club of Storrington and Pulborough District to support other local causes.

We will be collecting & recycling trees from the 11th to 14th January 2024.

Scan the QR code or visit our URL and enter your post code to register.

Pulborough, Storrington, Amberley, Billingshurst and other local villages



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Storrington & Pulborough District

For over 40 years Storrington & Pulborough District Rotary Club has been making a difference in the villages in and around Storrington and its community outreach is well known and respected.

We've been raising funds by collecting your Christmas trees for the past 6 years and the money collected has helped us to support many worthy local causes. This year Rotary and the charities below will benefit from your support. Thank you.

Registered charity number 1029115

For more information visit our website www.storringtonrotary.org.uk



Chestnut Tree House is the children's hospice for Sussex and South East Hampshire providing hospice care services and community support for children and young people with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions. Children and families who know they don't have long together have the chance to live life to the full and then, when the time comes, say goodbye in the way that is right for them at home or in the hospice itself.

Registered charity number 256789

For more information visit the website - www.chestnut-tree-house.org.uk



Started in 1991, Turning Tides is now the biggest provider of services for single homeless people in West Sussex providing a warm, safe space to listen to anyone who comes to us for help. We offer real pathways out of homelessness and are committed to supporting people at every stage of their journey empowering them to become confident and find the strength and belief in themselves to create a brighter future.

Registered charity number 256789

For more information visit the website - www.turning-tides.org.uk



Just Helping supports charities, volunteers and business to contribute to their community and the environment. Our national Christmas tree collection raises essential funds for life limiting condition charities and communities. Last year we operated in 30 counties and raised over £1,000,000 for 123 local charities.



Starting JANUARY 2024!

Back for another year the incredible TOMORROW'S ORCHESTRA PROGRAMME

Free group lessons on orchestral instruments for children aged 7 - 11

- ✓ Free for term one
- ✓ Free Instrument hire
- ✓ Play in an orchestra



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in September 2024

Apply online!

It's simple, convenient and time-saving.
If your application is received after the deadline,
your chance of securing a place at one of your
preference schools could be seriously affected.

You can apply online from
Monday 2 October 2023.
If you would like further advice or
information, phone: **03330 142 903.**

Deadline: Monday 15 January 2024

Free internet access to apply online is available at all West Sussex libraries.





Dear Parent or Carer,

Try a FREE drama, dance and singing class at our new venue

I'm delighted to announce that Perform is launching a new weekly drama, dance and singing school near you:

Perform Pulborough (Drama, dance and singing for 4-7s)

Tuesdays at 4pm at Storrington Village Hall, 59 West Street, Storrington, Pulborough, RH20 4DZ

Perform uses a lively mix of energetic games, catchy songs and funky dances to help bring out children's true potential. With child development at the heart of all our activities, our workshops provide a unique learning experience for your child as well as the best fun they'll have all week. See overleaf for more information.

If you want to boost your child's confidence, improve their concentration or give them a creative outlet to make new friends and have fun, come and try a free class at Perform.

Book now to claim your special £50 discount

There is a special £50 discount to all children at Thakeham Primary School for bookings before Mon 4 Dec 23.

DISCOUNT CODE	EXPIRY DATE
THAK041223	04-Dec-23

Just go to perform.org.uk/free to book your FREE session or call our friendly team on 020 7255 9120.

Yours sincerely

Lucy
LUCY QUICK
PRINCIPAL

P.S. Don't forget your discount expires soon so book online now at perform.org.uk/free



Other Perform classes nearby:

Perform Pulborough
Tuesdays at 4pm at Storrington Village Hall, 59 West Street, Storrington, Pulborough, RH20 4DZ

Perform Pulborough
Mondays at 3.45pm at Fittleworth Village Hall, School Lane, Fittleworth, Pulborough, RH20 1JB

Perform Worthing
Tuesdays at 4.15pm at St John The Divine Church Hall, Ripley Road, West Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 5NQ

Perform Shoreham-By-Sea
Mondays at 4pm at Shoreham Baptist Church, Westerd Road, Shoreham-By-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 5WD

Perform Horsham
Tuesdays at 4pm at Brighton Road Baptist Church, Brighton Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH13 5BD

Perform Workshops Limited, 4 Blenheim Court, 62 Brewery Road, London N7 9NY | 020 7255 9120 | perform.org.uk

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Dear Parent or Carer,

Try a FREE drama, dance and singing class at our new venue

I'm delighted to announce that Perform is launching a new weekly drama, dance and singing school near you:

Perform Pulborough (Acting, singing and dance for 7-12s)

Tuesdays at 5.05pm at Storrington Village Hall, 59 West Street, Storrington, Pulborough, RH20 4DZ

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Your child's success starts here

Try a FREE drama class

Perform's unique drama, dance and singing classes use the performing arts to:

- Build confidence
- Boost concentration
- Enhance coordination
- Develop communication skills

Go to perform.org.uk/free to book a FREE no-obligation class.

How we are different

- Unique performing arts-based games and exercises
- Focus on a different social skill each week
- Regular written feedback about your child's progress
- Low child-staff ratios and a high level of individual attention
- End of term presentation for family and friends

— This is a fab class!
It was mentioned at Katie's parents' evening that her confidence in class seems to have grown so I am delighted. Jane Spurgeon



WEBINARS FOR PARENTS/CARERS
SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND
YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR
MENTAL HEALTH



Each webinar will take place on Zoom at 10am and 7pm and will run for 90-120 minutes

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PARENT/CARER
LIVING IN
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- 8TH NOVEMBER BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM AND RESILIENCE
- 13TH DECEMBER DEPRESSION
- 17TH JANUARY OBSESSIVE COMPULSIVE DISORDER (OCD)



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NEED TO GET IN TOUCH?

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Do you have a young person in your family aged between 0-25 who has a disability? Sign up now to:

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- Access discounts on local and national attractions
- Find out about free specialist library resources

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Your local library has more than books. Including:

- Sensory Stories
- Understand me – the communication library
- Story Magic and other activities
- Specialist books and resources to support children and young people with a range of needs including, autism, dyslexia, visual and hearing impairment.

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Information-Participation-Support-Training

The West Sussex Parent Carer Forum (WSPCF) is a charity for parent carers of children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).

We support parent carers by providing information, support and training that equips them in their lifelong caring role and empowers them to participate in shaping services for their child or young person.

Become a West Sussex Parent Carer Forum member, it's FREE!

Only our members can access our popular events. By signing up you will automatically receive booking forms for events as soon as they are released. You will also receive key updates/information, important surveys and our regular newsletter.

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www.wspcf.org.uk Charity No. 1156360

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(Term Time)

FOR FUN
FOR GAMES
FOR FRIENDS
FOR LAUGHTER
FOR EXPERIENCES



Fireworks

Kids Club

*Chanctonbury Leisure
Centre Storrington*

Fireworks Kids Club is a local children's club which meets in Chanctonbury Sports Centre every week in term time on a Friday from 6:00 pm till 7:15 pm.

This free club is open to all and is run by Life Community Church Storrington.

Our Fireworks Kids Club aims to create an environment outside of school where the kids can have fun, be safe, learn, and meet their friends. We will be playing loads of games with a different theme each week.

This club is aimed at children in School Year 3 (7 years old) to Year 5 (10 Years old).

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Nick@lccstor.org.

MONTHLY TALK

THE ATA SPITFIRE GIRLS IN SUSSEX BY WILLIAM LONERGAN

**NEW
FOR
2024!**

**FRIDAY
5TH
JANUARY**



14:30 HOURS

**MEMBERS: £6
NON-MEMBERS: £8**

**STORRINGTON
& DISTRICT MUSEUM,
THE OLD SCHOOL,
SCHOOL LANE,
STORRINGTON,
RH20 4LL**

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AT
THE
DOOR**

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JUSTGIVING
DONATION CODE



This talk covers the women pilots in the WW2 "Air Transport Auxiliary", ATA, who played a vital part in providing the aeroplanes that were need for the RAF to win the air battles over Europe and free up RAF pilots for operational duties.

There will be a special reference to two who came from the Speaker's home town, Whanganui, in NZ. One was sadly killed in 1944 in a Spitfire crash, the other survived the war became a flying instructor at the Whanganui Aero Club.

William Lonergan was born in Whanganui, New Zealand, and learnt to fly in the RNZAF. He then went into civil flying as a flying instructor and commercial pilot. He came to the UK in 1959 and joined the RAF and flew as a fighter pilot, flying instructor and engineering test pilot. He left the RAF in 1976 and went into management and computer consultancy.

He "retired" 6 years ago and fly ex RAF training aeroplanes as a member of the Skyhawks formation display team.

Venue: Old School, School Lane, Storrington RH20 4LL.

Members £6. Non Members £8. All welcome