



Spring Term

9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

# newsletter

At Thakeham we CARE

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## Welcome

Dear All,

It has been a busy start to the term and the time has flown!

We bid a sad farewell to Mr Daplyn from Marley class and wish him all the best in his new career. We warmly welcome Miss Kosla to the Thakeham family, we're sure you will all make her feel at home!

Exciting news! Your uniform provider Sussex Uniforms has now rebranded to Monkhouse Schoolwear. You can now shop at [monkhouse.com](http://monkhouse.com) for a fantastic online shopping experience and simple ordering.

If your child has celebrated any achievements outside of school, please email them into the office for our Time to Shine section!

Please do check our Local Adverts section as there is lots of information about half term activities, days out, talks etc.

Have a fantastic half-term & we'll see you again on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

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



Bradley (Beatles)  
Elsie (Beatles)  
Olive (Marley)  
Whole of Marley  
class!

Aria (Franklin)  
Whole of Marley  
Class!

Arlo (Wonder)  
Jake (Wonder)  
Logan (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: **97%**  
Wonder Class: **98%**  
Marley Class: **96%**  
Franklin Class: **95%**

## 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!

### Year 5/6 Netball Taster



### School Council Cake Sale

Our School Council have begun their Enterprise Project. They started with just £5 and have already made it grow! Last week, our School Council spent their Tuesday morning baking and decorating cakes for us all to enjoy. They raised £75.25 for the school. Their next project will be a Games Session on Red Nose Day, where they will continue to make that £5 grow. They are wanting to buy the children more play equipment for their break and lunchtimes. Well done and thank you to: Austin, Logan, Holly, Gabrielle, Sevren and Neola.



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### SAFER INTERNET DAY – TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY



Thakeham Primary School had an assembly on Internet Safety Day . The Digital leaders (James, Rudee, Gabrielle and Eloise) ran the assembly. They were talking about what phones, computers and much more Electronics looked like then and what they look like now.

They also talked about who you should tell if something goes wrong and how to be safe on the Internet.

What Franklin class and Marley class have been doing for Internet Safety Day is who you should tell if you ever come across something that you feel is not right and they were answering situations that could happen to someone on the internet and they were doing a ten question Internet Safety Day quiz.

What Beatle and Wonder class have been doing for Internet safety Day is a Powerpoint on Mo and Jo

Dimi says “You should only play on your device with your parents or a supervisor watching you”. They were also saying do not buy stuff online with their parents card or cash.

Written by Thakeham Reporters Charlie & Daniel.

## Dates for Your Diary

- **12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> February:** Half Term
- **22<sup>nd</sup> February:** World Thinking Day  
(any pupil who is part of the Girlguiding/Scouting so Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs & Scouts are welcome to wear their uniforms to school)
- **22<sup>nd</sup> February:** Parents Evening
- **27<sup>th</sup> February:** Parents Evening
- **6<sup>th</sup> March:** Class Photos
- **7<sup>th</sup> March:** World Book Day
- **15<sup>th</sup> March:** Red Nose Day
- **28<sup>th</sup> March:** FoTS Easter Fun/End of term
- **29<sup>th</sup> March-12<sup>th</sup> April:** Spring Break
- **15<sup>th</sup> April:** Summer term starts

### Inset Days 2023/2024

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

Chartwells  
Schools

# HAPPY EASTER

**Easter Treat**  
**Thursday 28th March**  
Order now on [parentpay.com](https://parentpay.com)

**MAINS**  
Beef Burger  
Veggie Bolognese  
Jacket Potato & Baked Beans

**SIDES**  
Rainbow vegetables or Salad

**DESSERT**  
Lemon Easter Cupcake

Scan QR code to order  
**No later than Thursday 14th March**  
\*Special diets will remain in place.



## Winter Wildlife



Join us for stories starring some frosty, furry friends this half-term, plus a fun craft activity!

Suitable for children aged 4+

**Booking essential – please contact the library to reserve a place**

**Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity**

**Friday 16 February**  
**11.00am-12.00noon**



Pulborough Library  
Brooks Way  
Pulborough, RH20 2BQ  
Email: [pulborough.library@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:pulborough.library@westsussex.gov.uk)

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## Pulborough Pop-In

Parents/carers are welcome to come and join us in a relaxed and safe environment to chat about anything and everything!

Make friends, learn about the community, the schools, things to do in and around the area for families, natter about work and where to go on holiday!

Tea, coffee and biscuits available.  
Pre-schoolers are welcome.



### WHEN AND WHERE?

Every Wednesday (during term-time)  
From 9am – 11am  
@ Pulborough Library

£1 suggested donation

For more information, please contact  
Isla Moran 075 226 89948  
[isla@pdcca.org.uk](mailto:isla@pdcca.org.uk)



# QUIZ NIGHT



**QUIZ STARTS AT 7PM!**

**RAFFLE & PRIZE FOR THE QUIZ WINNERS!**

**TO BOOK PLEASE CALL 01903 746569**

**SATURDAY 16TH MARCH 2024 - 7PM**

**STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON PARISH HALL, THAKEHAM ROAD, STORRINGTON, RH20 3PP**

**TABLES OF 6**

**£10 PER PERSON INCLUDING A LIGHT SUPPER**

**TABLES & PLACES MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE PLEASE DON'T BRING DRINKS AS BAR AVAILABLE**

# TAYLOR MAID

VINTAGE SWING  
POPULAR JAZZ  
LIVELY FIDDLE TUNES  
LATIN & MUSIC TO MAKE YOU SMILE!

**FRIDAY 26 APRIL 2024**

**DOORS OPEN AT 6.30PM MUSIC 7PM -10PM**

**PARISH HALL • THAKEHAM RD • STORRINGTON • RH20 3PP**  
DRINKS INCLUDING ALCOHOL & SNACKS WILL BE AVAILABLE

TICKETS £15 IN ADVANCE ONLY FROM THE MUSEUM OFFICE :

01903 740188 OR EMAIL: [contact@storringtonmuseum.com](mailto:contact@storringtonmuseum.com)  
OR FROM THE OLD SCHOOL • SCHOOL LANE • STORRINGTON • RH20 4LL  
Office opens Sat & Wed 10am-4pm • Sun 10am - 1pm

In aid of Chestnut Tree House children's hospice

## THE BIG SWIM RELAY



Organised by United Swimming Academy  
Good Friday 29th March 2024  
Windlesham House School,  
London Road, RH20 4AY

Swim as a team, swim for fun, swim for charity. Train, challenge and enjoy...  
How many lengths can your team swim in 55 minutes?

- Adults and children all welcome
- Teams of six
- 55 minute-relay event
- All participants must be able to swim a comfortable 25m



Enter

Contact:  
Simon King  
[simon@unitedswimmingacademy.com](mailto:simon@unitedswimmingacademy.com)  
07391 420931

<https://qrco.de/SwimRelay>

[www.chestnut.org.uk](http://www.chestnut.org.uk)  
Registered charity number 256789



## FREE TASTER LESSON

**The Towers, Upper Beeding, Monday 12th February**

Book now a free taster swimming lesson for:  
Monday 12th February, between 4pm to 6pm, at The Towers,  
Steyning Grammar School, Upper Beeding BN44 3TG.



**BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!**



Enter

[simon@unitedswimmingacademy.com](mailto:simon@unitedswimmingacademy.com)

USALswim

07391 420931

Swim England

Swim School Member  
Swim England Affiliated Swim School (Reg: 13410494)



### **Improvement Works – Storrington Library**

Green improvement works are underway at Storrington Library. This exciting project will see the library building become more energy efficient with works including improved insulation, new windows, doors and rooflights, a new air source heat pump and smart metering. To ensure that this project can be undertaken as quickly, safely and efficiently as possible, Storrington library will be closed for four weeks from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February and is expected to reopen at 9.00am on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March.

During the temporary closure, a limited library service will operate from Chanctonbury Leisure Centre: [Green Improvement Works at Storrington Library](#). This will include a book collection service and regular under 5's events including Rhyme Time on Tuesdays 10.45-11.15am and Toddler Time on Thursdays 10-10.30am.

Alternatively, library members can use any West Sussex Library. The nearest branch is [Pulborough](#), which is open Monday-Wednesday 1pm-5pm and Thursday-Saturday 9am-1pm. It is free to join the library and can be done in person or online: [Join the Library - West Sussex](#)



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HALF-TERM



# PREMIER HOLIDAY CAMPS

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## YOUR NEAREST HOLIDAY CAMPS

Worthing	Worthing	Arun	Adur
West Park Primary School	Worthing Leisure Centre	Barnham Community Hall	Sompting Village Primary School
Multi Activities	* Book directly with South Downs Leisure	*9am-4pm - drop off from 8.30am	
Gymnastics & Performing Arts		*£24.95	
		*Years 1 - 6	
		*Childcare Vouchers accepted	

### PLEASE BRING

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

Mix it up this 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 cricket to fencing, lacrosse to cheer.

**Book now** for a half-term full of fun!

### CAMPS ARE BETTER WITH FRIENDS!



**TREAT YOUR FRIENDS TO 20% OFF...AND GET 20% OFF TOO!**

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



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**£18 per Family**



### Goodwood Education Trust: Forest Adventures Family Day

Please join us for one of our Goodwood Education Trust Family Fun Days. A wonderful opportunity for our young people on the neurodevelopmental pathway and their families to access a range of outdoor activities in a fun and relaxed environment.

Activities: Fire lighting and Smores, Hapazome, Wood Cookies and Nature Detectives\*

Please wear appropriate clothing, footwear and bring a packed lunch for the day

\*Please note: activities are subject to change



Date: Saturday 27th January, 11am-3:30pm  
Venue: Goodwood, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 0QF

Booking is essential, please contact: [wsxbookings@aspens.org.uk](mailto:wsxbookings@aspens.org.uk)

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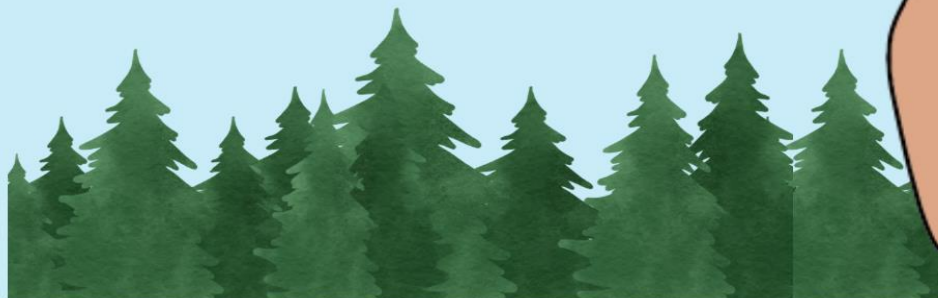
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## WEBINARS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

### 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

FREE TO ANY  
PARENT/CARER  
LIVING IN  
SUSSEX

- 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY AVOIDANT/RESTRICTIVE FOOD INTAKE DISORDER (ARFID)
- 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH MANAGING CHALLENGING BEHAVIOUR
- 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL BEREAVEMENT
- 15<sup>TH</sup> MAY SUPPORTING PRIMARY TO SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSITION
- 13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE SUPPORT FOR KINSHIP CARERS
- TBC JULY CYBER SAFETY



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## WANT TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS?

Scan here:



Or visit:

[https://ticketlab.co.uk/series/  
id/1206#/](https://ticketlab.co.uk/series/id/1206#/)

### NEED TO GET IN TOUCH?

If you have any questions, please email: [CAMHSParticipationTeam@spft.nhs.uk](mailto:CAMHSParticipationTeam@spft.nhs.uk)

Delivered by [Sussex Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services \(CAMHS\)](#)

# Winter Timetable: Parenting Peer Support Group 'Circles'



**If you are a parent or care giver to a child or young person and supporting them with their mental health, you may feel alone at times and need some support.**

**Did you know peer support from others who are experiencing similar situations can help with increasing confidence and learning new skills like coping with challenges? We at West Sussex Mind know how vital it is for people to talk and share their experiences, so we have started Peer Support Group 'Circles' across the county, where you can meet the team and other parents, all with lived experience, who can provide some much needed empathy and understanding.**

**The Parents Service at West Sussex Mind has lots more to offer:**

- Peer Support Groups both during the day (both in person and on-line) and evening (on-line)
- Monthly 'Expert by Experience' Guest Speaker Zoom evening sessions, i.e. Self-Harm, EBSA, Autism and mental health, Masking, Supporting siblings and more . . .
- 1:1 sessions with a Peer Support Worker (who has lived and professional experience). These are in blocks of three and can be delivered at a time convenient for you
- Closed Facebook group; regular newsletters and access to training, e-learning and webinars (on the West Sussex Mind website).

**Come and join us at:**

## **ADUR (Lancing)**

Lancing Parish Hall, South Street,  
Lancing BN15 8AJ

- THURSDAYS - 22/02/24 and 14/03/24
- AFTERNOONS - 12:30-14:00

## **ARUN (Bognor Regis)**

Arun West Family Hub, Laburnam Grove,  
Bognor Regis PO22 9HT

- THURSDAYS - 18/01/24 and 21/03/24
- MORNINGS - 10:00-11:30

## **NORTH (Crawley)**

Bewbush Family Centre, Dorsten Square,  
Crawley RH11 8XW

- TUESDAYS - 02/01/24; 06/02/24; 05/03/24
- MORNINGS - 10:00-11:30

## **NORTH (Horsham)**

i-Rock, Hurst Cafe, Hurst Road, Horsham RH12 2DN

- TUESDAYS - 09/01/24; 20/02/24; 12/03/24
- AFTERNOONS - 13:00-14:30

## **WEST (Midhurst)**

South Downs Centre, North Street,  
Midhurst GU29 9DH

- TUESDAYS - 30/01/24; 27/02/24; 26/03/24
- MORNINGS - 10:30-12:00

## **WORTHING**

Methold House (The Annexe), North Road,  
Worthing BN11 1DU

- TUESDAYS - 23/01/24 and 19/03/24
- MORNINGS - 10:30-12:00

**To access the Parenting Service you will need to register with us. If you would like to attend one of our groups, you can drop into a session and then register with the service, or contact us via our Help Point and state you would like a Parenting referral to access the groups. Please call our Help Point Monday to Friday, 10am until 4pm on 0300 303 5652 or email [helppoint@westsussexmind.org](mailto:helppoint@westsussexmind.org)**