



Spring Term

Mar 30<sup>th</sup> 2023

# newsletter

Small School, Big Opportunities, Great Achievements!

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## Welcome

Dear All,

Welcome to our last Newsletter for the Spring term!

We have had a fabulous last two weeks leading up to the end of term including our March Music Festival which was a fantastic success with a large turnout so thank you for your support! A massive thank you especially to Mrs Hopkins for working so hard to make the event happen!

A huge thank you to FoTs who organised a wonderful Easter Event after school on Monday, and to our parents & carers for the donated cakes & sweets on non-uniform day, for coming along to the event, for helping on the stalls & to Martin Lundy-Lester of Keller Williams Estate Agency who sponsored the event & donated all the eggs for the egg hunt! Leftover eggs have been donated to Chestnut Tree House. We were blessed with glorious sunshine, everyone had a fab time & FoTS raised an impressive £348.34 in the process!

### **A reminder that Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March is an INSET Day!**

There are lots of events happening in our local community over the Easter holidays so please have a look at all the associated flyers and information further down the Newsletter!

Wishing you all a well deserved Easter break & we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Best wishes from the Thakeham Family.

Email us at: [office@thakehamps.co.uk](mailto:office@thakehamps.co.uk)

Call us on: 01903 740176



# Small School, Big Opportunities, Great Achievements!

## Who Are We Celebrating This Fortnight?

Positive,  
Persevering Perry



Co-operative  
Caring Chloe



Headteacher  
Award



Reflective,  
Reviewing Rowan



Curious,  
Questioning Cleo



Jake (Oak)  
Samuel (Oak)  
Daniel (Elder)

Bodhi (Acorn)  
Madison (Acorn)  
Ella (Maple)  
Harrison (Elder)  
James (Elder)

Huxley (Elder)  
Leighton (Elder)  
Luke (Elder)

**Governor Award**  
Huxley (Elder)  
Luke (Elder)

Tamira (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: **92%**

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!

### Acorn Class Forest School



Making real and imaginary fire circles and sitting together to tell stories



Cooking pizzas and doughnuts



Using tools to , saw, peel and chop.



Acorn class have had lots of fun in forest school this half term. Thank you Matt Harder!



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Acorns had a visit from West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service where we learnt about how to keep safe at home, who to call and what to say if we get into difficulty. We also learnt about the day in the life of a fire fighter and the equipment they use.



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West Sussex Fire & Rescue also visited Elder class where they learnt about how to keep safe in your home, having an escape plan, who to contact in an emergency, testing smoke alarms etc.





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### March Music Festival 2023



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The whole school took part in our Annual Easter Church Service officiated by Revd. Dr Frank Okai-Sam at the Trinity Methodist Church in Storrington.





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# FoTS News

## Easter Event - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023





## Dates for Your Diary

- **30<sup>th</sup> March:** Last day of term
- **31<sup>st</sup> March:** INSET Day
- **3<sup>rd</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> April:** Easter holidays
- **17<sup>th</sup> April:** Start of Summer term - return to school
- **1<sup>st</sup> May** – Bank Holiday
- **8<sup>th</sup> May:** Extra Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation
- **29<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June:** May half term
- **5<sup>th</sup> June:** INSET Day
- **6<sup>th</sup> June:** Return to school
- **11<sup>th</sup> June:** Thakeham Village/FoTS Fundraiser Day (1:00-4:00pm)– **SAVE THE DATE!!**  
(further info to follow)
- **21<sup>st</sup> July:** last day of term
- **24<sup>th</sup> July-31<sup>st</sup> August:** School summer holidays



# Children's Holiday Activity Club

4-12 year olds

Established in 2005 with the view of offering both sports and creative activities throughout the day. Starting with just one venue in Chichester we have built on our reputation and now have six venues around West Sussex.



01798 873077

If you are looking for a treat, or for someone to entertain your child, Whizz Kids is the perfect opportunity for children to really enjoy their school holidays. With fully qualified sports coaches on site teaching new skills providing the finest in sporting activities, together with a whole host of creative activities and much more.

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[www.whizzkidsclub.co.uk](http://www.whizzkidsclub.co.uk)

For exact dates please visit our website.

We accept Childcare Choices, Childcare Vouchers, Working Tax Credits & Tax Free Childcare.

Whizz Kids is registered with Ofsted, see website for details and recent reports.

only £32 per day  
 \* Bulk booking discounts available

## Venues

- 1 White Meadows Primary Academy, Littlehampton
- 2 St Joseph's CE Junior School, Chichester
- 3 Shoreham College, Shoreham
- 4 Steyning Grammar School, Upper Beeding
- 5 Leachpool Primary School, Horsham
- 6 St Francis Catholic Primary School, Caterham



## Operating Dates

### FEB HALF TERM:

Sites 2, 3, 5, 6

### EASTER:

Sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

### MAY HALF TERM:

Sites 2, 3, 5, 6

### SUMMER:

Sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

### OCTOBER HALF TERM:

Sites 2, 3, 5, 6

### CHRISTMAS: n/a

## SPORTING ACTIVITIES

- Football
- Cricket/Kwix Cricket
- Tennis/Short Tennis
- Basketball
- Rounders
- Mini Sports
- Team Games
- Adventure Playground
- Field Activities
- Mini Olympics
- Dodge Ball
- Tag Rugby

## CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

- Cooking
- Face Painting
- Painting & Sticky Stuff
- Play Dough Modelling
- Story Telling
- Arts and Crafts
- Dance and Drama
- Treasure Hunts
- Themed Days
- Picnics
- Easter Egg Hunts
- Board Games



## Our Locations



Ample free parking at all sites

## Active Fun!

### TIMES & PRICES

Day Activities  
 9am - 4.45pm (per day)  
 £32.00 \*

### EXTRAS

#### Early Birds

8.15am - 9.00am  
 (per day) £4.50

#### Late Leavers

4.45pm - 5.45pm  
 (per day) £4.50

#### Tuck

£1.00 (per day)

#### Sickness & Flexibility Insurance

£2.00 (per day)



King & Chasemore

# JOIN OUR EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION

Come and pick up an Easter colouring sheet at King & Chasemore, Storrington, RH20 4DU

Colour it at home or in branch, then bring it back to us to display in our window. 27th March- 7th April.

All entrants will receive a chocolate treat, with one winner receiving a giant Easter Egg!

# WEST CHILTINGTON FAMILY EASTER TRAIL

SATURDAY 1ST APRIL - SUNDAY 16TH APRIL

Are you looking for some family fun this Easter?

- Buy your £5 family trail pack from NISA, Haglands Lane, RH20 2QR any point over the Easter holiday period
- Find the letters hidden along the route and unscramble them to reveal the mystery phrase
- Return answers to NISA before 17th April for your chance to win a visit for 4 to Hobbledown Farm, Epsom
- Each child will also receive a treat for their Easter Hunting
- This event is open to all

This event is being organised by West Chiltington Friends of School Association, Registered charity no. 298245





# Go Wild in the Library

Join us for some holiday fun  
with stories and craft activity

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

Pre-booking is essential  
Please speak with staff to reserve a place

Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity

**Friday 14th April  
10.30am-11.30am**



**Storrington Library**  
Ryecroft Lane, RH20 4PA  
01903 839050

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## DAVID BUTCHER COMMEMORATION

**SUNDAY 2ND APRIL**

**ST. MARY'S  
CHURCHYARD**

THE STORRINGTON LOCAL HISTORY GROUP,  
SUPPORTED BY THE STORRINGTON & DISTRICT  
MUSEUM, WILL HOST A SHORT CEREMONY FOR  
THE DEDICATION OF A NEW COMMONWEALTH  
WAR GRAVES COMMISSION (CWGC) HEADSTONE  
FOR DRIVER DAVID ERNEST BUTCHER

AT

**12:00PM**

172357, 1st/1st Leicester Bty.,  
Royal Horse Artillery who died  
on 22nd October 1919 Age 29.  
Son of Harry and Mary Butcher.  
Husband of Ethel Elsie Butcher  
(née Randall).



**REMEMBERED WITH HONOUR**

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTERWARDS AT THE MUSEUM:  
THE OLD SCHOOL, SCHOOL LANE, STORRINGTON, RH20 4LL



# ACE Football Academy



## EASTER HOLIDAY FOOTBALL FUN

Date	Time	Age	Session
4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> April	09.30am – 15.30pm	4 – 12 Years	Football Camp
11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup> /13 <sup>th</sup> April	09.30am – 15.30pm	4 – 12 Years	Football Camp

### 6 DAYS OF FOOTBALL FUN AT FOUR VENUES IN SUSSEX

Holiday football courses for children aged 4-12 years. All abilities welcome. All courses are led by qualified coaches in a professional, safe environment.

**LANCING** SIR ROBERT WOODARD ACADEMY, BN15 9QZ

**PORTSLADE** PORTSLADE LEISURE CENTRE, BN41 2WS

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FIND US ON





# DRUM LAB!

Percussion ensemble for 7-13 year olds at  
**Worthing Music Centre**

- ✓ Free sessions in term one
- ✓ Play a variety of instruments
- ✓ Improve focus & coordination



## Worthing Music Centre

c/o Bohunt School, Broadwater Road,  
Worthing, BN14 8AH

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 [www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/drumlab](http://www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/drumlab)

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EASTER HOLIDAYS

# PREMIER HOLIDAY CAMPS

 **INSPIRING ACTIVITY**



**SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION**

or visit [premier-education.com/holiday-camps](https://premier-education.com/holiday-camps)



## PREMIER CAMPS NEAR YOU

<b>Worthing</b>	<b>Lancing</b>	<b>Arun</b>	<b>Storrington</b>
West Park Primary School	Sompting Village Primary School	The Angmering School	Chanctonbury Leisure Centre
Our Lady of Ston Senior School		Barnham Community Hall	

\*Worthing Leisure Centre - Book WLC

**\*Multi Activities, Performing Arts & Gymnastics courses**  
\*8.30-4pm £24.95 for 5 - 11 year olds  
Use code EARLYEASTER10 until 28.02.23  
\*\*HAF\* Holiday Activities and Food Fund places available 03.04.23 - 06.04.23 - BOOK EARLY

### PLEASE BRING

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

Mix it up during the school holidays 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 an Easter break full of fun!



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

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



<https://thefamilygrapevine.co.uk/crawley-horsham/magazines/spring-2023/>

Please find above a link to the Spring 2023 Crawley & Horsham Family Grapevine magazine. The spring issue features 6 fantastic competitions, puzzles, a STEM challenge, articles, 9 pages of local places to go in Spring and Summer, local events taking place from March – end of June plus adverts for local businesses.





# Easter HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

**1 – 16 April**

**EXPLORE, LEARN AND HAVE FUN  
THIS EASTER HOLIDAYS.**

Join in our Easter Egg Trail and take part in our have a go activities around the 40 acre site.

Whether you are 5 or 95 there is something for everyone to enjoy!

**BOOK YOUR  
TICKETS NOW**



[www.wealddown.co.uk](http://www.wealddown.co.uk)

## Easter Holiday Activities

Weald & Downland Living Museum

1 - 16 April, 10.30am - 6.00pm

Explore, learn and have fun this Easter holidays...

Join in our Easter Egg Trail around the 40 acre site, running from Saturday 1 to Sunday 16 April. You can also watch our bakers demonstrate their skills, as they will be busy baking in the bakehouse over the Easter weekend, where there will be an opportunity to enjoy freshly baked traditional Hot Cross buns!

Take part in our Easter holiday activities which include:

- Have a go at archery (age 8+), on the 1, 2 & 3 and then again on the 14, 15 & 16 April.
- Medieval puppet theatre from Monday 10 to Friday 14.
- Both weeks on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, you can discover our Knucker the Dragon Nature School and have fun at the Investigation Station & Games Station.

Throughout the week there will also be 'Have a go' activities around the Museum. So, why not try your hand at something new or a bit different?

Use the code Easter10 when booking online to receive 10% off Museum entry (only available when you pre-book via our website).

To book tickets and find out more visit [www.wealddown.co.uk](http://www.wealddown.co.uk).



## FREE Creative and Fun Trails

Billingshurst | Henfield | Horsham | Pulborough | Southwater | Steyning | Storrington  
Enjoyed by children, young people and adults

With the school holidays around the corner, we thought your [school families and staff](#) would welcome news that the FREE [Mystery Trails](#), commissioned by Horsham District Council, are still available. They offer the opportunity to explore our market towns in an engaging and fun way at no cost.

[Whistlestop Arts](#) have created seven trails, and have incorporated **word** and **number puzzles**, **local history** and **storytelling** into the project. Working in partnership with West Sussex Libraries, they have recently launched an additional quest, [Big Sow & Grow](#), where participants solve a riddle and receive a free packet of wildflower seeds.

The Mystery Trails run in the current format until the **15th of April 2023**, after which the final puzzle element goes online. Interested? Visit each town library or participating business to collect your free trail and start the quest.

The word FREE can, understandably, be looked upon suspiciously, but this project has received funding from the European Regional Development Fund, so there is no participation cost. By spreading the word and encouraging as many people to get involved as possible the trails can be enjoyed, particularly when budgets are tight and free activities are welcome. Feedback from participants shows that the trails engage both those familiar with the towns and those new to the area.

There is also a free prize draw if you have completed one or more Mystery Trails; complete the short [online survey](#) to enter; closing date 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 - [surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CT5CK2G](https://surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CT5CK2G)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT** [whistlestoparts.org/mysterytrails](https://whistlestoparts.org/mysterytrails)

Visit each town library to collect your free trail and start the quest.

If you have any queries or would like multiple trails to distribute to your networks, please do get in touch with Luna and Annalees Whistlestop Arts at [whistlestoparts@gmail.com](mailto:whistlestoparts@gmail.com)







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## **Point to Point at Parham**

### **Fun for all the family**

[www.parhamraces.com](http://www.parhamraces.com)

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2023**

**Near Pulborough, RH20 2ER**

**Gates open 10.30am**

**Countryside Arena.**

**Bellmans Auctioneers Dog Show.**

**Shopping, Food & Funfair**



Point to Point at Parham



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Member of Basketball England



## THE HIVE

### EASTER & SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUBS

Easter :First week only Monday 3rd - Thursday  
6th April  
Summer: July 24th -August 4th

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School time hours 9am - 3.15pm £28

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Tuesday  
4th April  
19:30pm

# Heads & Tails

Monthly  
Talk

By Derrick Hughes

Amusing  
Talk!

Back  
to  
School!

Members - £6  
Non-members - £8

Storrington  
& District Museum,  
The Old School,  
School Lane,  
Storrington,  
RH20 4LL



## HEADS TO TAILS by DERRICK HUGHES.

**APRIL 4<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 19.30 at the Old School, School Lane, Storrington, RH20 4LL**

Derrick Hughes will talk on his 17 years as a primary school headteacher with a series of humorous anecdotes. His story starts with his schooldays aged 6 and how schools and teaching have changed.

At Nottingham College of Education he discovered a love of teaching but also beekeeping. Teaching was not well paid, so he supplemented his income with guitar lessons. Listen to his model for how to run a school, how to deal with bullying and the 'joys' of role playing.

A most amusing talk is promised.

Members £6, Non-Members £8. Pay at the door.  
Teas & Coffees will be available after the talk.



## **STORRINGTON & DISTRICT MUSEUM**

### **A CONCERT BY TAYLOR MAID**

**14<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023 at 7.00 p.m.**

***(Doors open at 6.30 p.m.)***

Taylor Maid will be playing at Storrington and Sullington Parish Hall, Thakeham Road, Storrington, West Sussex, RH20 3PP.

Taylor Maid play a variety of songs and tunes from the 1920s to the present day, including swing, gypsy jazz, latin, folk and some fast and furious fiddle jigs and reels. The six piece band features: Jon Wigg on fiddle, mandolin, guitar, banjo, low whistle and vocals. Magda Taylor on tenor sax, banjo and vocals. Mike Carey on keyboards. Pete Sidwell on double bass, bass and vocals. Matt Wilson on jazz guitar and Dave Chivers on drums, percussion.

Tickets £13, which must be booked or purchased in advance. Tickets available from Storrington Museum (Old School, School Lane RH20 4LL) (01903 740188 open Saturday & Wednesday 10-4 and Sunday 10-1) or email [contact@storringtonmuseum.com](mailto:contact@storringtonmuseum.com). Drinks including alcohol and snacks will be available.



# 30-Minute 1:1 Music Lessons

ONLINE

Guitar | Drums | Piano | Vocals



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