



Summer Term

July 21st 2023

newsletter

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Welcome

Dear All,

As another academic year draws to a close, the last 3 weeks of term has been a whirlwind of activities including class trips, Sports Week, Elder Class Production, school reports, Leavers' Assembly and so on!

We say a fond farewell to our wonderful Year 6 Leavers who have come to the end of their primary school journey. We wish them all the best at their secondary schools!

A sad farewell also to Miss Brown who is relocating to Hertfordshire and to Mrs Jouanides as she embarks on her teaching career. We will miss them enormously and wish them all the best in the future endeavours.

We look forward to our new teachers Miss West (Oak Class) and Mr Daplyn (Maple Class) starting in September as well as welcoming back Miss Morrow from her maternity leave as our part-time PPA cover teacher for Oak and Maple classes.

Wishing you all a well deserved summer break. A reminder that Friday 1st and Monday 4th September are Inset Days so we look forward to welcoming back Years 1-6 on Tuesday 5th September and our new Reception children on Friday 8th September.

Best wishes for a wonderful summer 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



Alia (Acorn)
Fiyin (Oak)
Marcus (Elder)

Amelie (Maple)
Aria (Maple)

Amelie (Maple)
Beth (Elder)
Lottie (Elder)

Amariaah (Oak)

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: **93%**

Maple Class: **96%**

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!

Maple Class trip to the Weald & Downland Museum



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FoTS News

A huge thank you to FoTS for paying for additional clay leaves to be added to our beautiful display!



If you would like to get involved or would just like to find out more, please speak to Mrs Campbell in the school office or email office@thakehamps.co.uk.

Email us at: office@thakehamps.co.uk

Call us on: 01903 740176



Dates for Your Diary

- **24th July-31st August:** School summer holidays
- **1st September:** Inset Day
- **4th September:** Inset Day
- **5th September:** Return to school for Years 1-6
- **8th September:** Start of school for new EYFS pupils
- **25th-28th September:** Scholastic Book Fair after school in the Excess Hall (more details to follow in September)
- **4th October:** Individual school photos
- **16th-20th October:** Elder Class PGL Residential trip
- **23rd-27th October:** Half term
- **30th October:** Inset Day

Inset Days 2023/2024

Friday 1st September 2023

Monday 4th September 2023

Monday 30th October 2023

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Friday 24th May 2024

Parents and carers support

Maintaining positive mental health and good well-being is important for us all, regardless of age. Children and young people can experience issues with their mental health such as anxiety, low-mood, emotionally based school avoidance, issues linked to disabilities (physical or neurodiversity), LGBTQI+ and more.

West Sussex Mind provides a service aimed at increasing parents and carers confidence at providing support to their children and young people.

The Parenting team has both lived and professional experience of supporting people with poor mental health and understand how hard being a parent with extra challenges can be. The service would like to support you by helping to increase your own resilience in supporting your children and young people, and to help you get the right support for them, by providing the following:

Peer support groups (on-line and some in-person); 1:1 peer led support sessions; monthly guest speakers covering topics chosen by the parents and carers including: supporting those affected by self-harming; autism, ADHD and mental health, planning for school transitions and managing self-care; signposting and on-line training.

The peer support groups offer a safe, non-judgemental space for parents and carers to come and share their thoughts and feelings with others going through similar situations and pick up new ideas or tips. It also provides parents and carers a chance to build a network of support and learn new strategies.

If the service sounds like something you would benefit from, please contact our Help Point: Monday to Friday, 10am – 4pm 0300 303 5652 or helppoint@westsussexmind.org stating you would like to access the Parenting Support Service. Once you have been referred into the service, the Project Manager will arrange a suitable time with you for a chat to arrange access to the support provided.

Alternatively, if you would prefer to access some of free eLearning courses on subjects such as LGBTQ+ awareness, eating disorders and suicide, please visit our

Eventbrite page to register [West Sussex Mind Events | Eventbrite](#)

Or, visit our website for access to free webinars on areas including supporting parents of carers with children and young people presenting with aggressive behaviour and emotionally based school avoidance

[West Sussex Mind | Webinars for parents and carers](#)

Bluebell Bushcraft



£35 per day

10% discount for 5 or more days



Wilderness Kids Holiday Camp

26th - 28th July & 31st July - 4th August

- 9:00a.m. — 4:00p.m.

- For ages 5 - 12

- Near Ashington



- Den Building
- Climbing
- Carving and Tool Use
- Campfire Cooking
- Bramble Mazes
- Woodland Crafts
- & Much More...



To book a space, contact Matt:

matt.bluebellbushcraft@gmail.com

www.bluebellbushcraft.co.uk

We are recruiting

Our local kitchen teams are recruiting in various schools across the County.

Term time contracts and school friendly hours available.

ID for an enhanced DBS will be required.

Please contact us at

westsussex@chartwells.co.uk

to find out more.

September starts available.



Chartwells
Schools

The Thakeham Flower Show has
classes open to children

THAKEHAM 67th FLOWER SHOW 2023



SATURDAY 22nd JULY 2022

2pm – 4pm

THAKEHAM VILLAGE HALL

- Entry open to all -

Admission: Adults 50p – Members & children
Free

Children's Section (classes 76 to 80)

Free to enter

76. 'Something I have grown' – any age

77. 'A jam jar of flowers' – any age

78. A decorated biscuit – children up to
4 yrs (biscuit bought or homemade)

**79. An imaginative collage of the
garden** (anything goes!) – age 5 to 7 yrs

80. A photo of nature – age 8 to 12 yrs

Medals for 1st place, certificates for 2nd
and 3rd places.

See the full programme at

[https://www.thakehamgardeners.co.uk/
2023-flower-show/](https://www.thakehamgardeners.co.uk/2023-flower-show/)

The **closing date to enter** is 15th July and entry forms can be downloaded from

<https://www.thakehamgardeners.co.uk/assets/documents/entry-form-for-the-2023-flower>

Your entries will need to be brought to Thakeham Village Hall on **Saturday 22nd July between 8.15am and 9.30am** (the Show then closes for judging). Come back at 2pm to see how you did!

Thakeham School Pupils can bring entry forms to the school office by **Thursday July 13th** If entering class 79 or 80, you can bring these entries at the same time— please put your name and age on the back. Entries for classes 76, 77 and 78 will need to be brought to Thakeham Village Hall on Saturday 22nd July between 8.15am and 9.30am.

Contact Flower Show Chairperson, Elizabeth Tel: 01798 815075 Email: flowershow@stanmoor.co.uk



Chelsea FC Foundation are holding Player Development Programme Trials for the new 2023/24 season

We currently have a huge PDP and looking for new players to join, we have three tiers to our programme with beginner level, intermediate level and Advanced level. All our centres train on a weekly basis and have a games programme each half term, we have more than one venue at each tier and which logistically we try to support all players.

Please see below the details to register for our trials for the new season.

Date: Tuesday 25 July

Venue: At Steyning Town Football Club, BN44 3RQ

Surface: 3G

Under 6 – Under 9 (Current School Years R – Year 3

Registration: 9.00am

Session Time: 9.15-11.15am

[Click here to book](#)

Under 10 – Under 12 (Current School Years 4 – Year 6

Registration: 12.15pm

Session Time: 12.30 – 2.30pm

[Click here to book](#)

After the trials, all players will be contacted regarding the next phase of the process within 48 hours, We look forward to seeing you there,

Sussex Football Development Team
Chelsea FC Foundation

BRANNON O'NEILL
Sussex Football Officer
Chelsea FC Foundation

E brannon.oneill@chelseafc.com





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MINI'S SUMMER SCHOOL A Jungle Book



31st July and 1st August
Sullington Parish Hall



For boys & girls
aged 4-7 years
10am- 3pm

Sing
Dance
Act
Craft
Games

£55 pp

A
performance
for parents
on the
last day



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Sullington Parish Hall

9.45-3pm

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NETBALL MINI'S



**Holbrook club sports
hall, Horsham**

5 to 7 year olds

Tuesdays (starting 27th June)

5pm to 6pm

£5 a session (pay as you play
session)



If interested please contact
Starsncminis@gmail.com



Enjoy the outdoors but 'be tick aware'

Being tick aware by using the following information can help to reduce the chance of tick bites and risk of Lyme disease:

- ticks can transmit microbes that cause infections such as Lyme disease
- you could be exposed to ticks whenever you spend time outdoors, including when in your garden or the local park
- ticks mainly attach to animals, but sometimes they may bite you or your family
- you can reduce the chance of tick bites by walking on clearly defined paths, using insect repellent and performing **regular tick checks**
- some tick bites can result in infection, so it is important to remove ticks safely and as quickly as possible
- the safest way to remove a tick is by using a pair of **fine-tipped** tweezers or a tick removal tool
- if you begin to feel unwell with flu-like symptoms, or develop a spreading circular red rash (which usually appears within 1 to 4 weeks after being bitten), **contact your GP or NHS 111 promptly**. Mention if you were bitten by a tick or have recently spent time outdoors

Tick sizes compared to a one penny coin



Tick in the environment



Tick attached to skin



Lyme disease bullseye rash



Tick found under hair



For more information, search for the phrases 'ticks' and 'Lyme disease' on these websites:

www.nhs.uk www.gov.uk www.nice.org.uk/guidance



Welcome to Penguins Swimming Lessons

Based in the beautiful swimming pool at Lancing College. We are a friendly, dedicated team, passionate about nurturing swimmers of all ages and abilities.

Over the last 28 years, we are proud to have helped thousands of swimmers gain a skill for life.

We are running two school holiday courses in 2023

Easter Intensive 4-day course

Monday 3rd April to Thursday 6th April 2023

£64 per child

&

Summer Intensive 5-day Course

Monday 24th July to Friday 28th July

£80 per child

30-minute lesson each morning (timings allocated on booking)

To book, please email us at info@penguinswimlessons.co.uk

[And fill in our online enquiry form](#)

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25
YEARS

ONE OF ENGLAND'S TREASURE HOUSES: PETWORTH HOUSE

Talk by Francis Ferrer-Brown

SEPTEMBER 5th at 7.30 p.m. at Storrington Museum,

Old School, School Lane, Storrington RH20 4LL.

Petworth House has been collecting treasures for over 500 years. Turner, Blake, Van Dyke and Reynolds to name a few of the painters. Plus antique and specially commissioned work of sculpture. But what about the people who lived there?

Who was the Wizard Earl? How did the 3rd Earl spend his time? This talk will educate and entertain you.

Frances Farrer-Brown was born and brought up on a mixed farm. Rural affairs, the countryside, gardens, history and literature have always been an abiding interest.

In addition to and complementing her skills as a public speaker, in 1999 Frances became a qualified and registered Blue Badge Tourist Guide. As a Blue badge Guide Frances covers the South east, namely Kent, Surrey & Sussex as well as the East End of London for the 2012 Olympics.

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

Members £6. Non Members £8. All welcome

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