



Autumn Term

17th November 2023

newsletter

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Welcome

Dear All,

We have had another packed fortnight with Wonder class enjoying a reptiles visit, a Year 5/6 Football tournament, Parents Evenings, a second hand uniform sale, Y6 Community Awards outing and supporting Children in Need! We will let you know the total amount raised in our next Newsletter.

We have our Christmas Fayre on Friday 1st December and still need people to help volunteer so please contact the School Office if you can help in any way!

If your child is in Franklin class and can help to run a class stall or your child is in the school Choir and can sing at the fayre, please can you also let the office know by Monday 20th November 😊

There are still some spare books of raffle tickets in the office if you would like some more. Please remember to return your stubs with any monies and any unused tickets to the office.

Donations of clean, good condition soft toys, filled jazzy jars and sweets/chocolates for our tombola can be brought to the office from Monday 20th November. Many thanks in advance for your support, it is greatly appreciated! 😊

If you wish for your child to have a Christmas lunch from Chartwells on Thursday 14th December, please ensure you have ordered this via ParentPay by **Thursday 30th November**.

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



Emily (Wonder)
Olivia P (Marley)
Kiva (Franklin)
Pollie (Franklin)

Amelie (Marley)

Jack (Beatles)
Tommy (Beatles)
Florence (Wonder)

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: **98%**
Wonder Class: **98%**
Marley Class: **97%**
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'.

Small School, Big Opportunities, Great Achievements!



FoTS News

Thakeham Primary
Christmas Fayre
Friday 1st December
3:30 – 5:00pm in the school hall



With many thanks to:
Waitrose, Tesco, The Pamper
Hut, Martin Lundy-Lester,
Black Horse Findon, Fishers
Farm, Red Lion Ashington,
Tomwood Treats, Sky Park
Farm and more to come!

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FoTS News



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'At Thakeham we CARE'

Courage. Ambition. Respect. Enjoyment.

Tuesday 7th November 2023



Thakeham Primary Christmas Fayre 2023
Friday 1st December – 3:30pm to 5:00pm



Dear Parents/Carers,

The date of our Christmas Fayre is fast approaching and we are excitedly looking forward to seeing you all there!

Volunteers

The event cannot run without the support of volunteers and as such, we need help to set up and decorate the hall from 1:00pm, run stalls for 30 minute slots from 3:30-5:00pm and help clear away at the end. If you can volunteer just 30 minutes to 1 hour of your time, it would be hugely appreciated!

On Friday 1st December we will be holding a Non-Uniform Day at school in exchange for cakes for our cake stall or a £1 donation. Cakes to be brought in the morning please to the Excess Hall.

Franklin Class Stalls

Franklin Class children are needed to help run a number of indoor games stalls at the Christmas Fayre this year. This will provide an opportunity for children to develop a number of skills including communication and teamwork. Throughout their final year at Thakeham Primary School, the year 6 children work towards achieving their Community Award. Organising and helping to run the Franklin Stalls at the Christmas Fayre will be the first of six elements towards this award.

One of the stalls will be a soft toy tombola so we would be grateful if all pupils could kindly donate a clean, good condition soft toy for this by Monday 20th November.





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School Choir

Children from the School Choir will be performing at 4:15pm so please come along and show your support for them!

Sweet/Chocolate Tombola/Jazzy Jars stalls

This year we are asking if all pupils can kindly donate sweets/chocolate for our tombola and to also bring in a decorated jam jar from home filled with either sweets/chocolate or small gifts for our Jazzy Jars stall. **Please can donations be brought into school by Monday 27th November.**

Santa's Grotto

We have a Santa's Grotto this year, £2 entrance per child to include a gift!

Refreshments and Cakes

Available to purchase on the day.

Raffle

A book of raffle tickets will be going home this week with your child. **Please return all monies and completed or unused ticket stubs by Monday 27th November.** There are more books available from the school office should you require any more. We have some fantastic prizes available to win!

If your Franklin class child can help to run a stall at the Christmas Fayre or your child is in the School Choir and wishes to take part or you are able to volunteer yourself to help out, please can you email Mrs Campbell in the School Office on: office@thakehamps.co.uk by **9:00am on Monday 20th November.**

All helpers will have an opportunity to visit other stalls at the fayre and have fun too!

Many thanks in advance for your support.

Mr McDonald
Headteacher



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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!

Erin enjoyed representing her Cubs group at St Peter's Church on Sunday, laying a poppy and helping her fellow Cubs with the group flag.



If you would like to share something your child has achieved outside school, please email the School Office.

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Wonder Class Reptylers Visit



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Year 5/6 Football Tournament

Some of our pupils braved the rain and took part in an inter-schools football tournament at Steyning Grammar School's where they came 3rd. Well done Team Thakeham!!



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Year 6 Community Awards Visit – report by Daniel

A few year sixes went to make cookies; and meet the Storrington and Sullington Volunteers. The people who went were: Dainel, Rudee, Austin, Marcus and Jessica. They handed out the cookies to all the people that were there at Storrington Leisure Center. They made up to 80 cookies for the people, the warden and the members. They were chatting to the people to keep them company and see if they were alright. They were all really nice to the year sixes that had gone and this gave the year sixes two of six community awards.



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Children in Need 2023!!



**BBC
CHILDREN
IN NEED**



Dates for Your Diary

- **17th-24th November** – online shop re-opens for any further orders of your child's Christmas design
- **1st December:** School Christmas Fayre (3:30-5:00pm in the Hall)
- **8th December:** Steyning Grammar School Jail Break visit for NSPCC (info email will be sent nearer the time)
- **11th December:** Beatles class Nativity – (9:30am - more info to follow)
- **12th December:** Whole School Nativity – 2:00pm (more info to follow)
- **14th December:** Whole School Nativity - (9:30am – more info to follow), 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

Inset Days 2023/2024

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Merry Christmas

Join our festive lunch by ordering on
ParentPay for

.....Thursday 14th December.....

MAINS

Roast Turkey in Gravy,
Or
Quorn Roast in Gravy

SIDES

Roast Potatoes, Mini Sausage, Stuffing,
Carrots and Cabbage

DESSERT

Snowy Cupcake

**Scan QR code to order, no later than
Thursday 30th November !**

**Special diets will remain in place.*



Apply online at:
westsussex.gov.uk/admissions

Was your child born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020?

If so they are eligible to start school
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.

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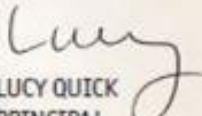
Book now to claim your special £50 discount

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 QUICK
PRINCIPAL

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



Other Perform classes nearby:

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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

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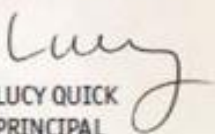
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Your child's success starts here

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



Christmas



Christmas Storytime

Come and share our Christmas stories and Christmas craft activities.

Saturday 2nd December
2.00pm – 3.00pm

Suitable for children aged 4-8 years
Tickets are free but must be reserved.



Parents and carers are asked to remain with their child during this activity

Storrington Library
Ryecroft Lane, RH20
4PA
01903 839050

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		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% OFF 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.

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20% OFF TOO!

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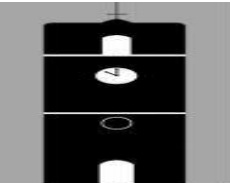
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ART EXHIBITION

18-19 NOVEMBER
WEEKEND
10AM-4PM

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

FREE ENTRY
WORK BY LOCAL ARTISTS
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE



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

- 19TH OCTOBER ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER (ADHD)
- 8TH NOVEMBER BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM AND RESILIENCE
- 13TH DECEMBER DEPRESSION
- 17TH JANUARY OBSESSIVE COMPULSIVE DISORDER (OCD)



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WANT TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS?

Scan here:



Or visit:

<https://ticketlab.co.uk/series/id/1081/Sussex-CAMHS-ParentCarer-Webinars/>

NEED TO GET IN TOUCH?

If you have any questions, please email: CAMHSParticipationTeam@sptf.nhs.uk

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west sussex county council

Sign up to the West Sussex Disability Register!

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

- Help influence services and plan events
- Receive regular eNewsletters with local events, activities and information
- Access discounts on local and national attractions
- Find out about free specialist library resources

westsussex.gov.uk/disabilityregister

west sussex county council

West Sussex Libraries SEND Resources

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.

Find out more: westsussex.gov.uk/libraries



Introducing TouchBase: A Therapy Practice Dedicated to Trauma Recovery

At TouchBase, our primary focus is on helping individuals recover from traumatic experiences. While our main clientele consists of children and young adults aged 5 to 25, we also offer therapy to adults seeking support.

Our team of skilled and experienced therapists is fully equipped to provide the help you need. We have recently increased our capacity so have space for new clients now, so don't hesitate to reach out to us.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Please email info@touchbase.org.uk for more information



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.

Becoming a member is easy, simply click on the blue 'sign-up' button at the top of our website and complete the short form. You can unsubscribe at any time.



Phone 07341 183449



Email office@wspcf.org.uk



Facebook www.facebook.com/WestSussexParentCarerForum



www.wspcf.org.uk

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Life
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Storrington

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(Term Time)

FOR FUN
FOR GAMES
FOR FRIENDS
FOR LAUGHTER
FOR EXPERIENCES



Fireworks

Kids Club

*Chanctonbury Leisure
Centre Storrington*

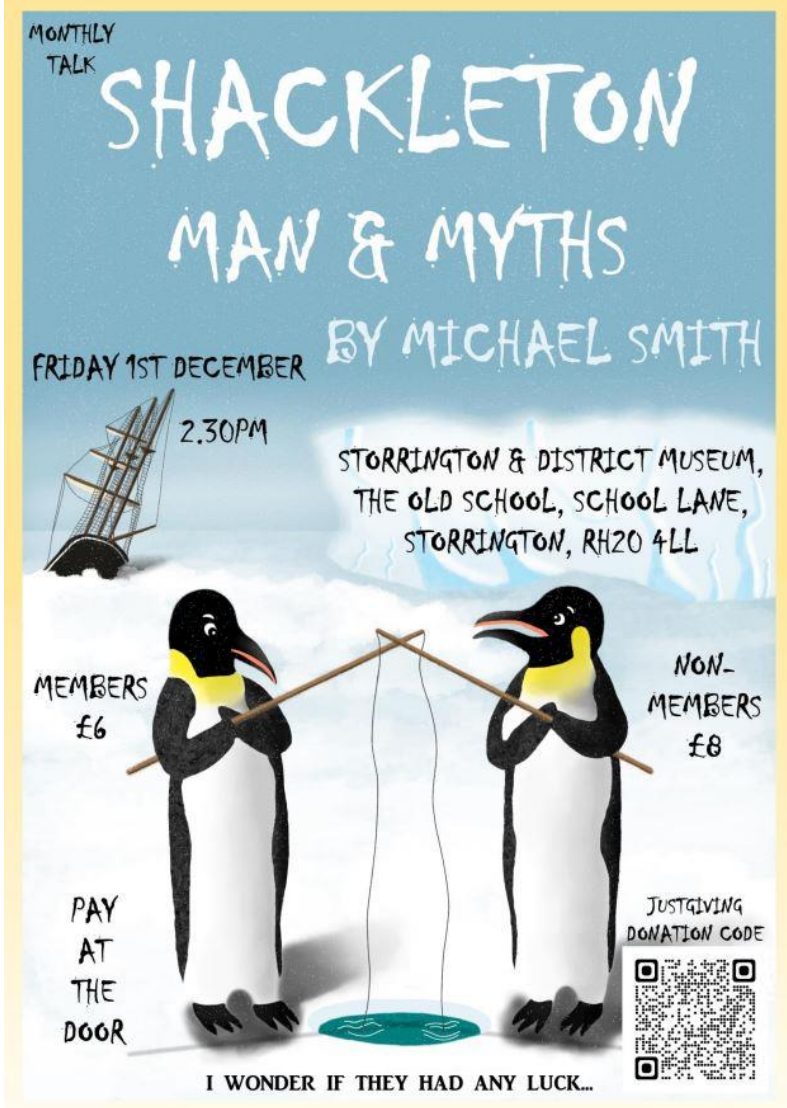
Fireworks Kids Club is a local children's club which meets in Chanctonbury Sports Centre every week in term time on a Friday from 6:00 pm till 7:15 pm.

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.



Sir Ernest Henry Shackleton (1874 – 1922) was an explorer who led three British expeditions to the Antarctic.

After the race to the South Pole ended in December 1911, with Roald Amundsen's conquest, Shackleton turned his attention to the crossing of Antarctica from sea to sea, via the pole. Disaster struck this expedition when its ship, *Endurance*, became trapped in pack ice and was slowly crushed before the shore parties could be landed. The crew escaped by camping on the sea ice until it disintegrated, then by launching the lifeboats to reach Elephant Island and ultimately South Georgia Island, a stormy ocean voyage of 720 nautical miles (1,330 km; 830 mi). The wreck of *Endurance* was discovered just over a century later.

Michael Smith is an author and journalist who specialises in the history of Polar exploration. He has written books on Polar history and lectured extensively.

Michael's latest book is *Shackleton – By Endurance We Conquer* (2014).

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

Members £6. Non Members £8. All welcome

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**

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& DISTRICT MUSEUM,
THE OLD SCHOOL,
SCHOOL LANE,
STORRINGTON,
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The Square, Storrington.

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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