



Newsletter Friday 7th March 2025

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Key dates:

Monday 10th	Yr 6 SATs and & Tile Barn meeting - 3.30pm Year 5 & 6 Athletics - 3.30-5.30pm
Tuesday 11th	SLT coffee & catch-up - 3.20-3.50pm
Monday 17th	Gymnastic Festival (Weald) - 1.30-3.00pm
Wednesday 19th	7 a-side Football (Weald) - 3.30-5.00pm
Friday 21st	BPA Bees Welly Walk Fundraiser <i>Comic Relief</i>

House Point Results Winning House

Parham

Cowdray
410

Parham
454

Goodwood
429

Petworth
386

Dear Parents and Carers,


The brighter weather has brought with it lots of enthusiasm and joy from children and staff. It really does make a difference to everyone at school with lighter mornings and proper access to our wonderful grounds in the sunshine. World Book Day was a huge success with some really imaginative costumes and comfortable clothes being worn. Thank you for all of your support. We hope you enjoyed all of our pictures on social media.

Lots of our pupil groups have met this week discussing important school and world matters. The school council are working with our hard working Midday Meals Supervisors to promote their important role around school, the equality group have been thinking about strong women role models and hidden disabilities and the eco group has been rehearsing their eco rap ready to perform in assembly.

Finally, we say goodbye to Mrs Dewell who leaves us after 5 and half years today. We wish her all the best and thank her for her dedication and support for Billingshurst Primary. We will miss her enormously.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Ms Ley



Mr Matthews is our Safeguarding Lead and now works across Sussex Learning Trust too. As an ex Senior Police Officer, he has a wealth of experience in many aspects of safeguarding. Mr Matthews is also a keen chess player and runs our school chess club. Mr Matthews is known by staff as always being the first on the dance floor at the Christmas do!

Fun Facts:
Mr Matthews has a cat called Marty. He is named after a character from Mr Matthews favourite film, Marty McFly - Back to the future.

Hobbies:
Skiing, walking, gardening, motorhoming, spending time with family.



BPA in the Community

Two children from BPA, Tommy and Willow, decided themselves to tackle the litter at Station Road Gardens last Sunday and went and collected lots of rubbish! They went armed with gloves, litter pickers and a bag and worked for half an hour collecting rubbish. Thank you for making a difference!



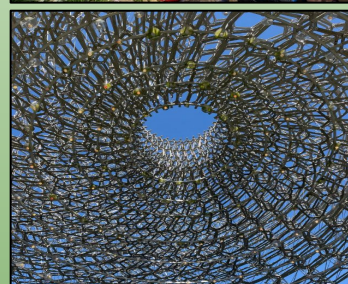
Year 5 - Class Assemblies

A huge thank you to all the families who joined us for the Year 5 Learning Celebration on Space. We truly appreciate your presence and hope you enjoyed watching the children share their knowledge and passion for the topic. It was fantastic to see the children so confidently 'interrogate' you with some pretty tricky questions – we hope you walked away with something new! We're excited to invite you to our next learning celebration at the end of this term, where we'll be showcasing our work on desserts. We look forward to sharing this delicious topic with you soon!



Year 4 - Trip to Kew Gardens

Year 4 had the amazing opportunity this week to visit Kew Gardens in London. They explored the Palm house as a finish to their rainforest topic. They also ventured onto the treetop walk with amazing views of Wembley and London. Finally, they went to The Hive where they got to experience the noise of a real hive! A fantastic day was had by all and it was certainly worth the long coach ride!



Royal Botanic Gardens
Kew



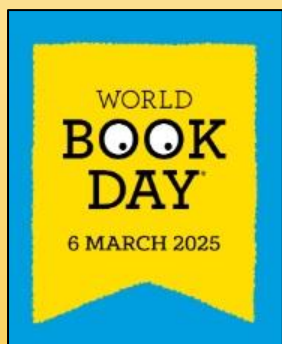
Year 1 - Toy Story!

Year 1 has had an action-packed start to this half term! Last week, the teachers surprised the children by dressing up as characters from Toy Story—Woody, Bullseye, Jessie, the Aliens, Rex, and Bo Peep! This week, the children have been dancing to You've Got a Friend in Me, flying around like Buzz, and lassoing like Woody. They have also been writing their own Toy Story adventures, imagining what it would be like if their toys came to life! What an exciting couple of weeks!



World Book Day

What a fantastic day we had to celebrate this year's World Book Day! The children all looked incredible in their costumes and comfy clothes. Thank you to all our community for really helping the children to celebrate books and their love of reading. We hope the children enjoyed it as much as the staff did! Children spent the day reading their favourite books and learning lots about different authors and their stories. They shared books with friends and year groups mixed to share stories with children in different year groups too! We hope you enjoyed seeing all our pictures on social media. Please look out for us in The National World newspaper in their special edition on 21st March!



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World Book Day Book Sale - Thank you to everyone who came along to our second hand book sale yesterday and for all your book donations. We will announce the total amount raised as soon as this has been confirmed.

Quiz Night - We are looking forward to seeing our quiz teams this evening. Don't forget your drinks (alcohol allowed), snacks (no nuts) and cash for the games and raffle.

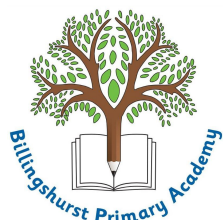


New drum kit - Thank you!

A huge thank you to John Cooksley of [JC Plumbing & Heating](#) who has kindly donated a drum kit to school! If your child is interested in having drum lessons at school, please email the school office.



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