



Newsletter Friday 2nd May 2025

Ambition Belonging Courage

Dates for your diary:

Mon 5th	BANK HOLIDAY
Wed 7th	KS1 Multi-skills event, Weald 1.30-3.00pm
Wed 7th	Y6 Tile Barn forms deadline
Thurs 8th	Yr 1 Phonics screening parent meeting
Frid 9th	Yr 3 British Museum Virtual Workshop - Egyptians
w/c 12th	Year 6 SATs week and SATs breakfast
Mon 19th	Yr 5&6 Quad kid athletics 3.30-5.15pm
Tues 20th	Yr 5&6 Swim gala 1.00-3.00pm
Thurs 22nd	Yr 1 Rainbow Theatre interactive "Fairy tales"
Frid 23rd	INSET DAY

House Point Results Winning House Parham

Cowdray	Parham
662	704
Goodwood	Petworth
599	627

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a glorious sunny week we have had at BPA! Staff and children have made full use of our glorious grounds with learning and play. Thank you to the BPA Bees for the ice cream and lolly sales yesterday and today - a welcomed treat at the end of hot days.

As part of our drive to make BPA the best it can be, we ask you to fill in a parent survey once a year. It is that time of year again so I would urge you to fill in the survey that has been sent out. Positive comments are useful as they provide feedback on what is working well. Constructive next steps are also useful as they feed into our strategic planning. Click or scan the links here...



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A polite reminder about uniform on PE days - it is becoming very relaxed. Children need to wear their PE kits, no football kits, no sequins, no fashion wear - only their school PE kits. We will be contacting parents directly if children are not in school PE kit.

Finally, please look out for our article in The Village Tweet which will be coming through your door. This month, our feature was titled 'Billingshurst beyond the classroom' and is worth a read!

Have a lovely long weekend.

Ms Ley



Mrs Steer has worked at Billingshurst for 5 years. Her favourite subject is English and she likes sharing stories with her class. Did you know that Mrs Steer has a young cat called Waffle? He loves to sleep in the sun and his favourite food is tuna.

Fun Facts:

Mrs Steer used to take ballet classes. Mr and Mrs Steer are expecting a baby boy this summer.

Hobbies:

Walks on the beach and reading.



Year 3 - Planting sunflowers

This week, Year 3 planted sunflowers as part of their science learning about plants. They will now track the growth of their sunflowers and hopefully get to take them home in a few weeks time! Once they see the first signs of growth, Y3 will take measurements and then use the chrome books to produce graphs of their data. Fingers crossed they grow!



Year 6 - Science - Blood Smoothies

This half term, Year 6 are learning about the circulatory system in science lessons. The objective of the first lesson was to understand the functions of blood and its composition. The children had lots of fun modelling this by making a 'blood-smoothie' using water, food coloring, cheerios and marshmallows - ask them to share what they've learnt!



Welcome Evening

It was lovely to welcome the parents/carers of children who will be joining us in September on Tuesday evening. Our wonderful House Captains shared information about our school values of Ambition, Belonging and Courage and it was great to see so many families excited about joining us. We have a full cohort of 90 children joining us in September and we are delighted that we are the chosen school of so many in our community.

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BilliLit Writing Competition

Huge congratulations to all of the children who entered their writing into the BilliLit competition. There were 75 entries from across school and the organisers were amazed at the quality of the poems they received! Well done all!

A special mention must go to Willow, who was our runner up, and Leo, who was our winner! Willow wrote a beautiful poem called 'Bluebell' and Leo's was all about climate change. We were delighted to welcome Ted Gooda into school from BilliLit today to present their prizes.



Amazon Wish List - Nurture Room

A huge thank you to all of the families who have gifted a book from our Book Wish List. Today, we have launched a new list to help us develop our Nurture Room. Your contribution means so much to the children here at Billingshurst Primary Academy. If you'd like to donate, simply visit our Amazon Wish List. Thank you!

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Headteacher's Award

Today, children who received a Headteacher's Award in the last half term celebrated with ice lollies on the field with Ms Ley. Well done to all the children who had impressed their teachers with incredible learning!



Year 5 - Falcon LIVE!

Following on from the work we did in Science Week, we have been watching a live feed of two nesting birds.

Peregrine Falcon: The peregrine falcon is nesting at a site at Nottingham University. Over the past term, we have been watching the bird's four eggs. On the 1st May two hatched. We decided to name the first one to hatch, Snowball and the second one, Pom. We are still waiting for two more to hatch. We are really looking forward to watching how their mum feeds them.

Osprey: Over the past two weeks we have also been watching a mum and dad osprey. The ospreys have a nest with four eggs but none of them have hatched yet. The mum and dad take it in turns to go to hunt for food. We have learnt how to tell the male and female osprey apart by looking at their chests.

Written by Zeffi - Year 5

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BPA Bees



Uniform Sale - We will be holding another second hand uniform sale next **Friday, 9th May**. Find us under the KS1 canopy after school. Cash and card donations accepted.

Summer Fun Day - We are looking for donations of the following: adult tombola prizes, child tombola prizes, teddies, wine, sweets. These can be left in our green trug outside the school office.



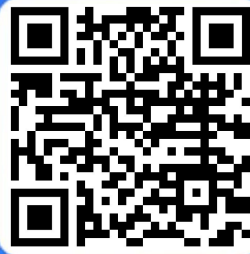
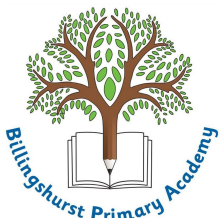
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