

#### Newsletter Friday 21st March 2025 Ambition Belonging Courage

### Key dates:

Tuesday 25th	Yr 5 residential trip Lodgehill
	Yr 4 class assemblies -see times on email
Wednesday 26th	EYFS & Year 6 Parents' Evening
	Yr 5 residential trip Lodgehill
Thursday 27th	Yr 1 assemblies
	This Girl Can sports event (Weald) 2.00-4.00pm
	EYFS & Year 6 Parents' Evening
Friday 28th	Reports out (Yr1-5)
	EYFS games with parents 8.40-8.55am
Monday 31st	Science Week

#### House Point Results Winning House Goodwood Cowdray Parham 475 593

Goodwood Petworth 603 449

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

More glorious weather this week has brought the school alive. It has been wonderful to see our extensive grounds being used for playtimes and learning. We are keeping our fingers crossed that the weather holds next week for the Year 5 residential.

We have been overwhelmed with your generous gifts of books to fill our library at school. Each week in assembly we are sharing some of these books with the children who are eager to loan the books.

Thanks you to our wonderful Bees for organising the annual Welly Walk, the children had lots of fun walking to raise money for the school and Red Nose day.

I would like to give a big shout out to, "Equine Partners" who never fail to amaze us with their generosity and support. They are currently helping us with resources for our Nurture space so we can make it a truly inclusive environment.

Thank you all for your continued support and putting BPA at the heart of the community.

Ms Ley



Mrs Inman has just started working at Billingshurst Primary as our Office Manager. When she was a little girl, Mrs Inman lived in the village and came to our school! She has worked in schools for 11 years in and out the classroom both as a TA and then as part of the office team.

#### Fun Fact:

Mrs Inman owns over 50 pairs of earrings! She has done a 14,000 ft skydive in Australia and has completed the London Tough Mudder 14 km obstacle run 2 years running raising money for charity.

#### Hobbies:

She loves to go on holiday with her family and reads lots of books. She enjoys travelling and visiting different countries.

## Year 1 - Paddington Visit

A very special visitor arrived in Year 1 recently... Paddington Bear! He came with a letter from Aunt Lucy, asking Year 1 to look after him - and of course, they took their job very seriously! They imagined all the adventures Paddington had around Billingshurst, from exploring the village to getting up to all sorts of mischief! Check out these snapshots of Paddington's adventures - where do you think he went next?

### Lost Property

Please check for lost property in the school entrance - we have lots of unnamed clothes! If you need some new labels for your child's belongings, please ask at the office for information about suppliers.





## Year 1 - Oracy Skills

Year 1 have been practising their oracy skills which are an important part of our lessons here at Billingshurst Primary Academy. They practised partner talk by facing each other and listening to their partners. They also practised nest talk where we speak to ourselves and cover our mouths in a nest to practise saying our sentences or answers first before sharing them. These are all life skills that children use throughout the rest of our school too. Well done, Year 1!









## Year 5 and 6 Gymnastics

On Monday, a group of Y5&6 gymnasts represented our school at the Gymnastics Festival head at The Weald. We are delighted to share that they were awarded silver in the vault and silver in the floor routine! Well done all!

# Club information

All club information will be sent out on **Monday 24th March at 5pm**. This will contain all the details you need to book for summer term clubs. KS2 Choir will not be changing as children signed up in February until the end of the school year.

# **Amazon Wish List Books**

A huge thank you to all of the families who have gifted a book from our Book Wish List, which we launched on World Book Day! Your contribution means so much to the children here at Billingshurst Primary Academy. If you'd like to participate, simply visit our Amazon Wish List (<u>https://amzn.eu/eHq3KxB</u>), where you can choose a book to donate and will have the option to add a personal message during check out.

The **Book Nook** is coming soon! With prices starting at £7.99, there will be books for all interests and reading abilities and we are sure there will be a book for you and your child to enjoy.

Please support this event as all sales go towards FREE books for OUR school!



## **Billingshurst Primary Academy**

**Book Fair** 

THE BOOK NOOK

Monday 24th - Thursday 27th March In the hall - Cash or card

> All sales go towards NEW books for OUR school!













# Welly Walk

What a great day we've had for this year's welly walk! The children have had great fun doing as many laps of the field as possible in their allotted time. Thank you for all your donations so far. There is still time to return your sponsorship money via the school office, or online using the QR Code below.
All money raised will be split between the school and Comic Relief.

























## World Book Day

Following all the fun on World Book Day, class photos from the day were printed in a special souvenir edition of the West Sussex County Times on **Thursday 20th March 2025.** This is a brilliant and extremely popular keepsake for families, and is available to buy in all local outlets at £1.90 a copy for a week from the publication date. Copies are in high demand, so make sure you make head to your nearest outlet as soon as possible to avoid disappointment!



## **BPA Bees**



**Table Top Sale** - On Sunday 27th April, 2-4pm, we will be holding a table top sale in the KS2 hall.

For sellers, tables are available on a first come, first serve basis and will cost £12.

To book, please email bpabees@billingshurstprimary.org.uk. For buyers, entry is £1 for adults (children go free).

**Thank you!** - We would like to thank Henry Adams for sponsoring our upcoming summer fun day.

















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#### DO YOU LOVE POEMS AND WRITING? Then why not enter the BilliLit (book festival) Poetry Competition for children at BP School?

#### HOW TO ENTER

- Write a poem on the theme of Nature
- Get started in the Easter holidays
- Write/print out your poem clearly on a piece of paper
- Put only your first name and class name onto your entry
- Post your entry into the Poetry Box in school reception

Closing date is Weds 24 April at the end of the school day.

A panel of poets will judge the poems. A Book Token will be awarded for the best poem by a child in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

