

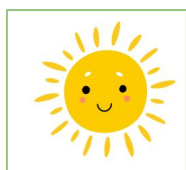


# Newsletter Friday 18th July 2025

Ambition Belonging Courage

## Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 3rd September - First day back



## House Point Results Winning House



**Cowdray**



Cowdray  
18574

Parham  
13897

Goodwood 15540  
Petworth 17695

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another fantastic school year at Billingshurst Primary Academy, we want to take a moment to celebrate our children. We are so proud of how they embody the school's core values of **ambition, belonging, and courage** in everything they do.


The year has ended on a high, with a wealth of personal and group successes across all year groups. From academic progress to creative projects, sporting achievements, and acts of kindness, our children continue to amaze us every day.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our dedicated staff, who work tirelessly to plan and provide such rich learning experiences for the children. Thank you also to The BPA Bees, whose commitment and hard work greatly enhance our school community and the experiences of all our pupils. To our parents and carers, thank you for your ongoing support, encouragement, and partnership throughout the year.


And finally, to our wonderful Billingshurst children, you inspire us daily with your enthusiasm, courage and joy. You bring smiles to our faces and remind us why we do what we do.

Wishing you all a happy, safe, and restful summer break.

Miss Ley



**IN THE SPOTLIGHT**  
Miss Ley



Marlon Ley  
Headteacher

Miss Ley has been our headteacher for just over a year. This is her twelfth year as a headteacher and she says it is the best job in the world. In her spare time, she loves music, listening to music and watching live music.

**Fun Facts:** Miss Ley can play the trumpet, ride a unicycle and juggle.

**Hobbies:** Music, reading, spending time with her friends and family and paddleboarding





# ★ Year 6 Leavers Festival ★



Year 6 Leavers Festival – What a Night! On Wednesday, we had an incredible evening celebrating the amazing journey of our Year 6 children! Each child was recognised for their achievements during a special leavers' ceremony, where they received a well-deserved certificate. After the ceremony, the festival got into full swing! Children and their families enjoyed a fantastic BBQ/picnic, bounced the night away on the bouncy castle, danced at the silent disco, and so much more! A HUGE thank you to our incredible staff team who worked so hard to make this event such a memorable celebration and to the BPA Bees for their support! We're so proud of each and every one of our Year 6 leavers – best of luck on your next adventure!





# Summer Reading Challenge

Join thousands of children across West Sussex Libraries this summer and take part in the *Story Garden* adventure! Starting Saturday 12 July, children can grow their love of reading by exploring fun books, completing exciting Book Quests, and earning awesome rewards.

It's FREE to join the library and FREE to take part—just sign up online, visit your local library with the secret code word, and start reading! See more information below!

👉 Watch our [Story Garden video](#)

👉 Register at: [arena.westsussex.gov.uk/src](https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/src)

Let's get GROWING with the Summer Reading Challenge!

THE  
READING  
AGENCY Summer Reading Challenge

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- Fill in the **online registration form** at [arena.westsussex.gov.uk/src](https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/src)
- Tell library staff the **secret code word**
- Pick up a book and start reading!
- **Collect rewards** for reading library books and completing special 'Extra Mile' Book Quests
- Read **any library books** you like—it's just for **FUN!**
- Look out for fun events and activities at your local library!



It's **FREE** to join the library and **FREE** to take part  
**Let's get GROWING!**



## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE





# Year 2 Arundel Castle



On Tuesday, Year 2 had a fantastic day at Arundel Castle! The children explored the castle from top to bottom, visiting the Keep, dungeons, main hall, armoury, and beautiful gardens. They also had the opportunity to dress up and even hold some real chain mail! There were lots of brilliant questions asked throughout the day, and the whole year group made us incredibly proud. Well done, Year 2!



## Rock Steady Music!

Did your child come home this week buzzing about music!? We are delighted to share we have partnered with [Rocksteady Music School](#) to bring fun and inclusive rock and pop band lessons to our school from September! Led by professional musicians, these weekly in-school lessons make learning music a blast! It's a fantastic way for children to: Build confidence Learn new musical skills Make friends Enjoy the magic of making music together! Places for September are now full, but please do join the waiting list as we are trying to arrange for more sessions in school!



## Local Governing Body Annual Report

[Click here](#) to read the first Billingshurst Primary Academy Local Governing Body Annual Report 2024–25! Discover how the Local Governing Body has supported our school throughout this academic year and helps to shape the future of BPA. From monitoring visits and new values to exceptional outcomes for children, this report aims to highlight work of the Local Governing Body this year.



### Local Governing Body Annual Report 2024-25

Welcome to our first annual report!

This report will explain a bit more about the role of governors at Billingshurst Primary Academy and share some of our work across the academic year.



### Local Governing Body Annual Report



## ☀️ New Wraparound Care for Children with SEND ☀️

We're excited to launch a new **Wraparound Care service** at Billingshurst Primary Academy specifically designed to support children with **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)**. Starting from 3rd September 2025 this provision will offer a safe, nurturing, and inclusive environment before and after school, led by trained staff who understand the needs of our SEND pupils.

🕒 **Breakfast Club:** 7.30am - 8.40am

🕒 **After-School Club:** 3.15pm - 6pm

🍌 Activities tailored to individual needs

🍎 Breakfast and Light snacks provided

📍 Based in the Nurture room with access to the school hall and field

For more information or to register, please contact Mrs Tanner or Mrs Harmer at [thehavenbpa@outlook.com](mailto:thehavenbpa@outlook.com) or on 07584428593

📌 **Please note: Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.**

➕ **Plus!** We'll also be running a **Summer Club** before September – a fantastic opportunity for your child to come along, meet the team, and join in the fun!

[Please enquire for further details!](#)



# The Haven

A gentle start and a happy finish to every school day.

## BPA Bees



We would like to say a big thank you for everyone's support over this school year. If you would like to find out more about what we do or you are interested in joining us, please come along to our first meeting of the new school year on Friday 5th September at 2pm in the Staff Room.

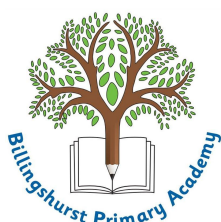
We are extremely grateful for the support of Henry Adams this year. They have been our main sponsor for our two biggest fundraising events: Christmas Trugs and the Summer Fun Day. Going forwards, for anyone buying/selling/renting a property with Henry Adams, they will be donating a percentage of their fee to the school. If you are looking to move with Henry Adams, please do mention BPA to them and help us raise some money.



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# Quiz Night

**FRIDAY  
26TH  
SEPTEMBER**



**6:45PM  
TEAMS OF UP TO 6  
£30 PER TEAM  
BYOB**