





Newsletter Friday 26th September 2025

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Key dates for your diary:

Fri 26th Sept BPA Bees Parent Quiz Night KS2 Hall - 6.45pm

Tues 30th Sept SLT parent coffee morning - 8.30-9.00am

October

Fri 3rd Flu vaccinations

Thurs 2nd Parent Phonics workshop - 3.30pm **Fri 3rd** Harvest Assembly & donations

15th &16th Parents' Evening
Mon 27th – Fri 31st Half Term Holiday

Fri 28th November INSET Day

Fri 19th December Last day of term

House Point Results Winning House Parham

Cowdray Parham
410 637

Goodwood Petworth 501 566

Dear Parents and Carers,

We will be celebrating our Harvest Festival on **Friday 3rd October.** Please bring along tinned goods and other non-perishable items to support our local community. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Join us for our very first Parent Coffee Morning next week. Members of the leadership team will be available for an informal chat over coffee. We'd love to see as many of you there as possible!

Good luck to all of our quizzers tonight! Teams will be putting their general knowledge to the test while raising valuable funds for our school. Thank you to our wonderful 'Bees' for organising such a fantastic event.

Finally, look out for our monthly feature in the Village Tweet which will be

coming through your doors in the next few days.

This month, we shared a summary of our Living our Values project...

Have a great weekend,

Ms Ley

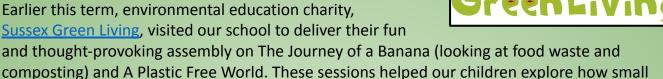






Learning and Taking Action with Sussex Green Living

Earlier this term, environmental education charity, Sussex Green Living, visited our school to deliver their fun



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everyday choices can protect our planet. You can learn more about composting here or download a Food Waste Prevention & Composting

We'd love families to build on these ideas together by joining Glorious Food, Glorious Planet on Saturday 27 September in Horsham across three town centre venues. This free community celebration will bring together apple tastings, workshops, vegan food stalls, recycling, repair and refill stations. At 12 noon, in the United Reformed Church, Springfield Road, West Sussex County Council will be giving a composting talk, with local people sharing their own experiences of different systems. Children can join in too, peering at compost critters under microscopes or taking part in eco crafts while parents attend the session. A fun way to discover practical steps we can all take to reduce waste and live more sustainably.

Sussex Green Living has also launched a Dry Food Refill Service at Chanctonbury Leisure Centre, Storrington.

Take your own containers and stock up on everyday essentials like oats, pasta and rice to help cut plastic waste.

- When: 4th Wednesday of every month 9am-12pm
- **Location: Chanctonbury Leisure Centre**
- Open to everyone, just bring tubs, jars or bags



Action Plan here.





Do you have...

We are still looking donations of old (but useable) outdoor brushes, shovels and buckets. This is for our new pupil Grounds Team to use around the school site. If you think have something to donate, please contact Mr Hampson. Thank you!







Year 4 - Rainforest Immersion

Year 4 Rainforest Immersion! Year 4 have kicked off their new Rainforest topic with a whole day of creative, hands-on learning. They sketched rainforest plants, discovered where these incredible places are found and the animals that live there, made colourful bird-inspired artwork, and even tried their hand at leaf printing. The children had a fantastic time and went home full of fun facts... and maybe just a little bit









Year 6 - Science

Year 6 have been diving into Charles Darwin's theory of evolution and his famous research on finches from the Galapagos Islands. To bring their learning to life, they carried out a hands-on investigation using different types of "beaks" to pick up a variety of foods. This activity helped them understand how animals adapt to their environments in order to survive. They also deepened their knowledge around the concept of the 'survival of the fittest'. Ask them about what we found out at home!







Reading Volunteers

Each year, we have a fantastic group of volunteers who come into school to read with our children. If you would like to be a volunteer this year, please contact Mrs Cobden,

cobden@billingshurstprimary.org.uk with your availability. If you volunteered last year, please do email her to share your interest again. Many thanks.







A polite reminder that the staff car park is not to be use as a drop off or pick up point. If there is a valid reason for you using the car park, this will need to be confirmed with SLT before parking.





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 (https://amzn.eu/eHq3KxB), where you can choose a book to donate and will have the option to add a personal message during check out.



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Village
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BPA Bees

AGM - Please join us for our Annual General Meeting after school on **Tuesday 21st October**.



Utility Warehouse - The BPA Bees are glad to be partnered with Utility Warehouse to raise money for the school. Find out if you could save money on your household bills by switching to Utility Warehouse. Please see the attached poster for more information.

Party Pack - Do you have a birthday party coming up? Did you know, the BPA Bees have an eco-friendly party pack you can hire. It's full of colourful, reusable tableware.

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