



# Newsletter Friday 13th March 2026

Ambition Belonging Courage

## Key dates for your diary:

- Wed 18th** 7 Aside Football (Weald) 3.30-5.00pm
- 18th & 19th** EYFS & Yr 6 Parents' Eve
- Fri 20th** Rocksteady Concerts
- Fri 20th** BPA Bees Fun Run Fundraiser - *Comic Relief*
- Tues 24th** Year 4 Class Assemblies - AM
- Tues 24th** Yr 3 Ukulele Concerts - PM
- 24th & 25th** Yr 5 Residential Trip Lodge Hill

## House Point Results Winning House Parham

Cowdray	Parham
526	579
Goodwood	Petworth
492	441

Dear Families,

What a wonderful and busy week it has been here at Billingshurst Primary Academy! We have been celebrating British Science Week and it has been fantastic to see our children asking questions and eagerly taking part in hands-on investigations. From investigating exploding canisters to exploring the perfect hat for Paddington Bear, our children have shown incredible **ambition** and curiosity in their learning.

I also want to say a huge congratulations to our Year 4 children following their amazing residential trip to Lodge Hill. They perfectly demonstrated **courage** by pushing themselves to take on new challenges and they showed a true sense of **belonging** by supporting one another every step of the way. I was so proud to hear the centre staff and school staff praise them for being such polite, enthusiastic, and respectful representatives of our school.

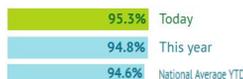
Following the success of launching our own wraparound care, The Willows, I am thrilled to announce that we are now launching our **BPA Easter Holiday clubs** - in partnership with Premier Education and STEM Innovation! We know how important it is for our families to have reliable, engaging childcare outside of term time and we are pleased to be able to extend the warm, supportive environment of The Willows into the holidays.

As we look ahead to next week, I hope to see many of you at our Learning Behaviours Parent Workshop on Wednesday and we are very much looking forward to the BPA Bees Red Nose Fun Run on Friday - don't forget to complete your sponsorship forms!

Have a great weekend,  
Ms Ley



Attendance has been great this week! Well done everyone!



**IN THE SPOTLIGHT**  
David Lowe - Governor

David Lowe became a Governor in 1987 when part of the Junior School was at East Street, so has seen a lot of changes of people and premises. His earlier career was in manufacturing before he set up his own consulting business, with PizzaExpress as his biggest client. He enjoys travelling and going to concerts.

**Fun Facts:**  
As a boy he was a Cathedral chorister and sang solos on radio, television and a record. He ran a marathon in 1981 but took far too long.

**Hobbies:**  
Choral singing, gardening, walking the dog and charity work with Rotary





# Easter Holidays at BPA

More information and booking details can be found on our website.  
[www.billingshurstprimary.org.uk/easterclubs](http://www.billingshurstprimary.org.uk/easterclubs)



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## The Willows Easter Club

Join us for fun, active days packed with:

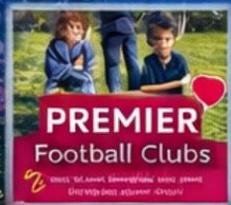
- Arts & Craft
- Creative Play
- Games & fun!



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## Premier Holiday Camps

Join us this Easter as we offer a wide range of fun activities, including sports, performing arts, and games, all at great value. There's something for every child to enjoy!

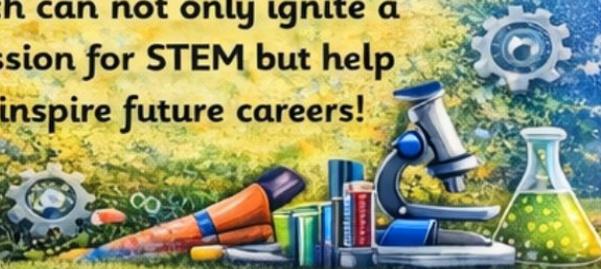


## STEM Holiday Club

Fun and interactive workshops, which can not only ignite a passion for STEM but help inspire future careers!



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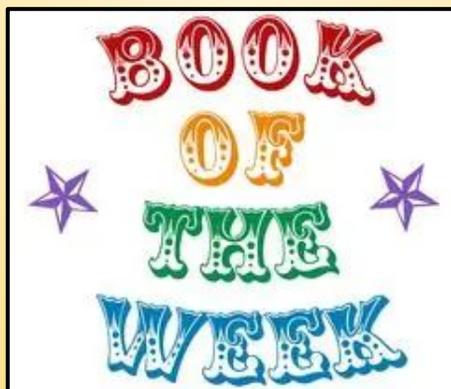
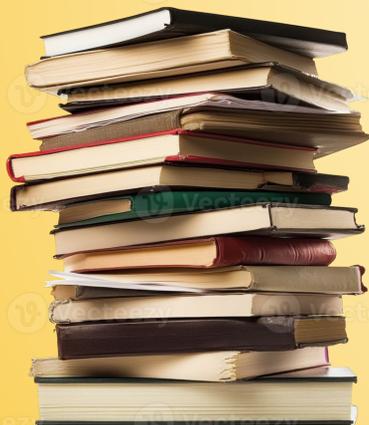


# Book of the Week!

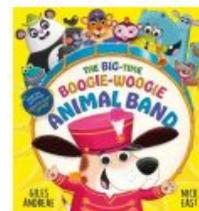
This week, Oliver from Year 3 has chosen a non-fiction book *Into the Volcano: The Science, Magic and Meaning of Volcanoes* by Catherine Ard and Wenjia Tang.

"I like this book because it has lots of facts about volcanoes and it tells people why and how volcanoes can be destructive. However, they can also create things as well as destroy! I would recommend this book to anyone who likes Science and volcanoes and wants to learn more incredible, fascinating facts!

Oliver's Top Fact: "Did you know that on average 50 volcanoes erupt each month?"



## THE BOOK NOOK



### Book Fair

## Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March



All sales go towards new  
books for **OUR** school!



## THE BOOK NOOK

Independent Children's Bookshop

First Avenue, Hove. BN3 2FJ. [www.booknookuk.com](http://www.booknookuk.com)

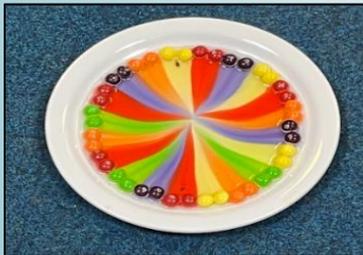
# Science Week 2026

This week, all year groups have been taking part in exciting scientific activities inspired by the theme of curiosity and asking questions. Our children have shown incredible enthusiasm as they explored, investigated and took part in a range of practical science challenges.

From Year 6, who investigated what makes canisters of bicarbonate of soda and vinegar explode the highest, to Year 1, who explored what might make the perfect hat for Paddington Bear, every class embraced the spirit of discovery.

It has been wonderful to see our children thinking like scientists — asking questions, testing ideas and learning through hands-on investigation.

A huge well done to all of our children and staff for making this year's British Science Week such a success!



# Year 4 - Lodge Hill

Huge congratulations to our Year 4 children for an amazing residential at Lodge Hill. They showed incredible ambition, belonging and courage throughout the trip, pushing themselves to try new challenges and supporting one another every step of the way. Staff at the centre commented on how polite, enthusiastic and respectful the children were and how brilliantly they represented our school. We are incredibly proud of them all! A big thank you to our fantastic staff team for giving up their time to make this experience possible and for supporting the children throughout the trip.



## Learning Behaviours Workshop

At **Billingshurst Primary Academy**, our approach to learning behaviours helps children develop into confident, independent and reflective learners. Our framework is rooted in our core values of **Ambition, Belonging and Courage**, and supported by our school rules: **Ready, Respectful, Safe**.

Alongside these values and rules, children develop important learning skills through the curriculum, including **working as a team, managing themselves, thinking and asking questions, and reflecting on their learning**. Through these experiences, pupils learn to take ownership of their learning, collaborate with others and build the confidence to take risks, learn from mistakes and develop **resilience** when facing challenges.

Together, these elements create a positive culture for learning where children feel supported, challenged and ready to achieve their full potential.

We invite parents and carers to our **Learning Behaviours Parent Workshop next week**, where we will share more about our approach and how you can support these learning behaviours at home.

We look forward to seeing you there!

**Billingshurst Primary Academy**

### Learning Behaviours

PARENT WORKSHOP

📅 Wednesday 18th March  
🕒 3:30pm – 4:00pm  
📍 Y5 Blackman Class

Learn how we help children develop important skills!

Helping children become **Confident & Independent Learners!**

Plus, tips for supporting these learning behaviours at home!

We look forward to seeing you there.

**Learning Behaviours**

- SELF MANAGERS
- ASKING QUESTIONS
- TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE
- REFLECTING ON LEARNING

At Billingshurst Primary Academy we are ready, we are respectful, we are safe!

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# Community Links

As a school we are approached on a regular basis by local community groups/clubs and busnisses to share their upcoming opportunities with our school family.

To avoid sending all this information out by email, we have a dedicated page on our website. Please click the link to the left to access this page!

## BPA Bees

**Red Nose Fun Run - Friday 20th March** - Next Friday, children will be completing laps around the school field to raise money for the BPA Bees and Comic Relief. They can wear their own clothes and something red for Red Nose Day is always fun! Please return sponsorship forms and monies to the school office on or before 20th March. Alternatively, donations can also be made online here: [BPA Bees is fundraising for Billingshurst Primary Academy Bees](#). We are looking for parent helpers, who have a DBS with the school, to help out on the day. Please sign up here: [VolunteerSignup - Online volunteer signup sheets - Red Nose Day Fun Run 2026 signup sheet](#).



**Bingo Night - Friday 24th April** - Tickets are £5 per person (plus booking fee) for 5 games. There will also be a raffle and mini games, with some great prizes to be won. Bring your own drinks and snacks. For more details and to book, please go to: [Fundraising Bingo Night Tickets, Friday, Apr 24, 2026 from 7 pm to 10 pm | Eventbrite](#). Please note you must be 18+ to attend.



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Or you can contact us via email:

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## **GOLD**

- Full page advert in programme
- Stall at the Summer Fun Day
  - 3 X Newsletter mentions
  - 3 X social media mentions
- Banner on Station Road for 3 months

£500

## **SILVER**

- Full page advert in programme
- Sponsor a table
  - 2X Newsletter mentions
  - 2 X social media mentions
- Banner on Station Road for 2 months

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  - Sponsor a stall
- A Newsletter mention
- A social media mention
- Banner on Station Road for 1 month

£200

DONATE  
A RAFFLE  
PRIZE

BOOK A STALL  
£50

BANNER ON  
STATION ROAD  
£80 (PER MONTH)

PROGRAMME ADVERTISING

OUTSIDE BACK COVER £150  
INSIDE COVER £125  
FULL PAGE £100  
HALF PAGE £75

A5 - FULL COLOUR

Your business' name and logo in the school's parent newsletter and on social media - £30

