



Newsletter Friday 5th June 2026

Ambition Belonging Courage

Key dates for your diary:

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| Sat 6th | SCHOOL SUMMER FUN DAY |
| Mon 8th | KS2 class photos |
| Mon 8th | Yr 4&5 Dance workshop 3.30-5.00pm |
| 9-12th | Yr 6 residential & activity week |
| Wed 10th | KS1 class photos |
| Wed 10th | Talented Athletes 1.00-4.00pm |
| Wed 10th | EYFS (new intake) Teddy Bear's picnic 3.30-4.30pm |
| Frid 12th | Yr 3 Ukulele Concert s AM |

House Point Results Winning House

Cowdray

Cowdray 667 Parham 560

Goodwood 525 Petworth 586

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back after the half-term break and to see pupils return with such enthusiasm and positivity for the final half of the summer term.

A particular highlight this week was our incredible **Downscape Concerts** at Champs Hill. Children from Years 3 to 6 showcased months of creativity, collaboration and dedication through original songs and poetry inspired by the South Downs. Their confidence and enthusiasm were a joy to see, and they truly embodied our values of **Ambition, Belonging and Courage**.

Across the school, pupils have also enjoyed a range of enriching experiences, including Year 1's **Chinese Dragon Workshop**, Year 3's visit to **Wakehurst** and Year 4's **Victorian Day**, bringing learning to life beyond the classroom.

We are also delighted to have launched a new partnership with **Sussex Residential**, helping to strengthen links between our school and the wider community.

Finally, we are looking forward to welcoming many of you to our **Summer Fun Day** tomorrow. Despite the weather forecast, the event will still go ahead, with activities moving indoors where necessary. We are confident it will be a fantastic day for families and an important fundraiser for our school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

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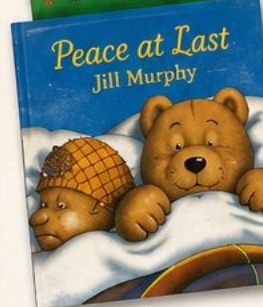
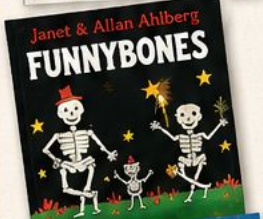
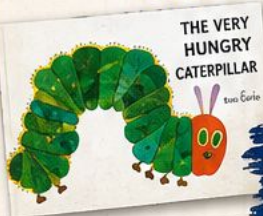


SHARE A BOOK. SHAPE OUR LIST.

Help us build our

100 BOOKS TO READ

chosen by our school community!



We want to hear your favourite books! Whether it's a story that made you laugh, inspired you, or is a must-read for every child, we'd love your recommendation.

SHARE YOUR RECOMMENDATION!



Your suggestions will help us create our very own 100 Books to Read list to inspire and excite our children.

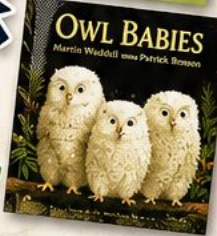
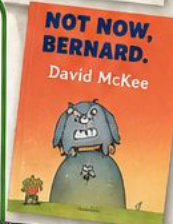
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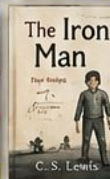
It's quick, easy, and makes a big impact!

to share your book recommendation!

Every recommendation counts!



LET'S CELEBRATE THE NATIONAL YEAR OF READING!



Thank you for helping us build a list that reflects our amazing community!



New Community Partnership

We're really pleased to introduce a new community partnership with Sussex Residential, a new independent estate agency based here in Billingshurst. At the heart of this initiative is a simple idea, that everyday life moments such as moving home or letting a property can also become an opportunity to give something back.

Each time a property transaction is successfully completed through Sussex Residential, a donation will be made directly to the school, helping to enrich the experiences, opportunities, and resources available to our children. It's a straightforward, no-cost way for families to support the school, built around a shared commitment to the village and the people within it.

We're very grateful to [Ben](#) at Sussex Residential for his support of our school community and we look forward to working together to create something that makes a genuine and lasting difference for local families.



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Year 1 - Dragon Workshop

On Thursday, the Year 1 classes took part in a brilliant Chinese Dragon Dance workshop as part of their immersion into their new Geography topic about China. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning a dance routine to traditional Chinese music and discovered how to use a variety of Chinese props within their performance. They spun umbrellas, waved fans, and even brought a Chinese dragon to life through dance! It was a fantastic experience that helped deepen their understanding of Chinese culture while having lots of fun.



Downscape Concerts

What a fantastic way to celebrate the finale of our Downscape project! Last night, children from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 took to the stage at the prestigious Champs Hill for two fabulous concerts, showcasing the culmination of months of creativity, collaboration and hard work.

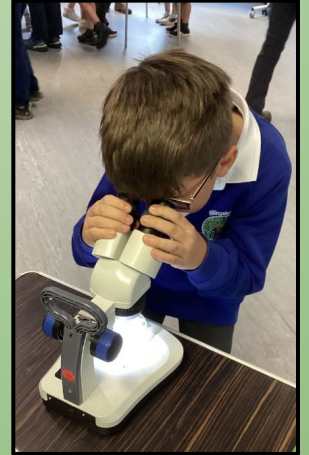
The audience was treated to two original songs, composed by our children alongside the talented Emily Barden, inspired by their experiences of the South Downs. Three young poets also gave outstanding performances of their own poems, written following their visit to the South Downs in the autumn term and supported by poet Antosh. This incredible project was organised by The Arts Society, and we are immensely grateful for the wonderful opportunity they have provided for our children to develop their creative talents and perform in such a remarkable venue.

A huge congratulations to all of our singers and poets for their confidence, dedication and exceptional performances. Throughout this project, they truly embodied our school values of **Ambition, Belonging and Courage** - showing ambition through their creativity and commitment, belonging through their collaboration and shared experiences, and courage as they performed their original work in front of a live audience. They should be incredibly proud of all they have achieved as part of this inspiring project.



Year 3 - Wakehurst Trip

Year 3 had an amazing trip to Wakehurst Place on Wednesday! The children took part in three fantastic activities led by the staff. They explored the beautiful gardens and learned why the Giant Redwood tree has soft bark. They also enjoyed an engaging activity about seed dispersal and created some wonderful ephemeral art inspired by plants. The entire year group was a delight to take, and the rain did not dampen their spirits. Their enthusiasm, curiosity, and positive attitude made the day a memorable outdoor learning experience for everyone involved.



Year 4 - Victorian Day

Year 4 stepped back in time for a fantastic Victorian Day! The children enjoyed learning about how life for children had changed since the Victorian era. They experienced a Victorian-style school day with strict rules, played traditional outdoor games, and explored the toys that Victorian children would have used. They also discovered that while many things are very different today, some pastimes have stood the test of time - including charades, which they still enjoy playing. It was a fun, engaging, and memorable day that brought their history learning to life and helped them gain a deeper understanding of the past.



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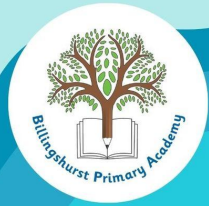


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BILLINGSHURST PRIMARY ACADEMY

SUMMER
FUN DAY

SATURDAY 6TH JUNE



11AM-2PM



Modular Stage System for Sale



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Our Golden Rules



At Billingshurst
Primary Academy

we are ready

we are respectful

we are safe



At Billingshurst Primary Academy, our values of **Ambition, Belonging and Courage**, along with our Learning Gears, shape everything we do. At the centre of daily school life are our three **Golden Rules**.

We are ready means being prepared to learn—listening, focusing, and trying our best.

We are respectful is about kindness, good manners, and valuing others.

We are safe means making good choices and looking after ourselves and those around us.



DOGS
ON SITE



A polite reminder to all parents and carers that **dogs are not permitted** on the school site at the beginning or end of the school day.
This includes small dogs being carried.

We appreciate that many families are dog owners, but this measure helps us to keep all children safe and comfortable during busy drop-off and collection times.



Thank you for your continued support and cooperation with this.





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Have a listen to our newsletter podcasts! These are uploaded every week and are recorded by our fabulous children!





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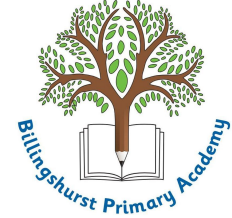
Summer Fun Day - Saturday 6th June - We are looking forward to seeing you tomorrow for our biggest fundraising event of the year! Join us for inflatables, silent disco and a range of fete games. There will be plenty of refreshments available, including: pizza, fish & chips and ice-cream. Don't forget your tokens, if you have purchased them already. There is still time to buy raffle tickets to win one of many amazing prizes, including a hot air balloon trip for 2! Find us at our hub tomorrow, before 1.30pm, for a chance to win.

Quiz Night - Friday 3rd July - Join us for an evening of fun! Teams of up to 6 are £30 (plus booking fee). For smaller teams, please contact us. For more information and to book, please go to: [Fundraising Quiz Night Tickets, Friday 3 July • 6:45 PM - 10 PM | Eventbrite.](#)

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