



Weekly Newsletter 5 Autumn Term 2023

Friday 6th October 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe it's October already; this term is flying by! Here are some key messages for you this week:

Parent Vote!

We are considering a change to our PE policy and would like to get your opinion to help us make a decision. The change would include children coming into school wearing their PE kits on their PE days. Some benefits would be that it would:

- Raise the profile of PE in school to put more clearly in children's minds the importance of sport in leading active, healthy lives;
- Increase the amount of time for physical activity by cutting out time spent on changing
- Decrease lost property – children would not need to bring a PE bag in with them
- Support children who are self-conscious changing in front of their peers

If this change does take place, we would need to uphold our standards and ensure that school PE kit is adhered to. Please vote here: <https://s.surveyplanet.com/xmpdsdke> We will let you know the outcomes soon!

Please note, children are still expected to come to school in their school uniform until a decision has been made.

Stomach bugs

If your child has an upset tummy or is sick, please keep them at home for 48 hours after symptoms have stopped. Stomach bugs are highly contagious and it is unfair on children and staff if parents/carers send their child to school when they are poorly.

Parental involvement in sport

The NSPCC's Child Protection in Sport Unit (CPSU) have a new campaign running this week to ask parents to get involved in their children's sport, to be supportive and to help keep children safe. To support this, there is a new film called "My No.1 Fan", which features real families talking about what positive parental behaviour and support means to them and how negative behaviour can impact children's enjoyment of sport.

Watch the video: [My no.1 fan - positive parental involvement in sport](#)

Parking

Please do not park in the NHS bays near the lower site as these are for the NHS staff who work in our school.

Bikes and Scooters

Please remind your child to walk with their bike or scooter in the playgrounds; we need to avoid collisions!

Harvest Festival

We are excited to be supporting the Free Shop this year; if you can spare any extra food for this before next Tuesday, we would be really grateful! Please see the poster for details!

Have a great weekend everyone, the weather is meant to be glorious!

Trudy Emberson
Headteacher



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Celebrations!



BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Huge congratulations go to

Yew Class

with an amazing
99% attendance

For week beginning
25th September 2023

Well done!

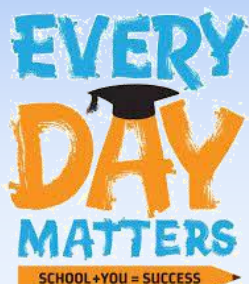


Class Attendance of the Year

Our top class so far...

Poplar Class

with **97%**



Whole School Attendance

Three Bridges Primary School

94%

Primary national average

95%



Here **E**veryday **R**eady **O**n Time!



More to celebrate...



Headteacher Awards



Well done to all of the following children who have earned a Headteacher Award this week!

Holly
Scarlett
Emma
Scarlett
Oliver
Holly

Lacey
Jasmine
Theo
Aathavi
Zayn L
Dexter
Dominic
Oscar

Nihal
Alex
Azaan
Yanna
Arabella
Niara
Kartik
Giean

Louisa
Jaxon
Ivy
Kian
Scarlett
Fatima
Zackary

CLASS DOJO

Well done to everyone for earning so many Dojo points this week!

The classes with the most Dojo points for this week are:

1st - Oak

2nd - Ash

3rd - Beech



BoomReader

Well done to everyone for reading so many books this week!

The classes who read the most are:



1st - Ash

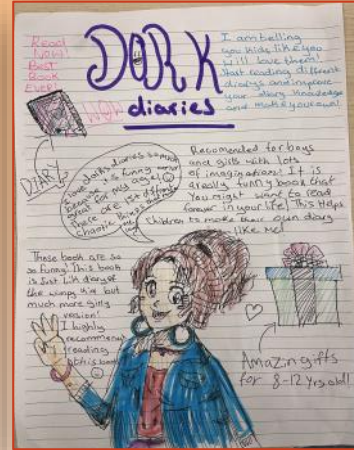
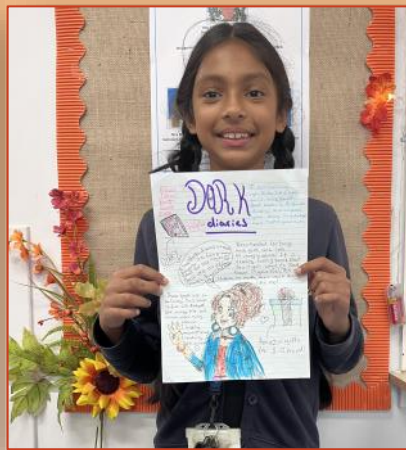
2nd - Larch

3rd - Juniper



Please see the parent guide which has been sent out on Class Dojo

<https://go-read.co.uk/downloads/parent-guide-mobile.pdf>



Year 5



Pyramid Net activity by Nihal



Chess Tournament Winner!

Spriha has won Top player award under 7 in chess tournament, she received a trophy!

You can find further details here <https://sussexjuniorchess.org/2023-gp1/>

Well done Spriha!





On Wednesday, the children in Reception celebrated Grandparents Day! We invited their grandparents into school to show them their learning and enjoys some special stories together. In Reception, we have been learning about what makes us special and talking about our families and homes. Lots of the Grandparents at Three Bridges are involved in the care and lives of their grandchildren and we think it is so important to keep these generational experiences for our little ones. We were so lucky to have lots of Grandparents join us and we even had some Great Grandparents too! Thank you to all of you that came, the children really enjoyed this special time with you!



RESPECT CLASS OF THE WEEK

Juniper Class



We were respectful working in teams in PSHE.



Juniper Class!
Respect

We were respectful in English and maths outside!



We were respectful in the library.



PIC•COLLAGE

RESPECT CLASS OF THE WEEK

Beech Class

"I've been respectful
by holding the door
for my friends"



"I respected the equipment
by using it correctly in PE"

"I have been respectful by
helping tidy up my class"



"I've been respectful by
listening to the teacher's
instructions"





Sport - Tag Rugby



On Thursday the 5th of October, we attended a Tag rugby festival at Crawley rugby club as part of the world cup initiative.

It was a great day in which the children played lots of skill-based games and fun friendly matches at the end.

The children were a credit to our school with their behaviour and respect.

Well done TBPS!



Music



I am the new visiting Music Teacher for Three Bridges Primary School from West Sussex Music for Piano and Keyboard.

I have over 20 years' experience working within the Music Industry – not just as a teacher and performer, but in choirs, orchestras and workshop settings.

I currently have a few slots for lessons on Tuesday afternoons during school time.

Group lessons cost £9.10 per session, with Individual lessons starting from £14.80.

It's easy to apply, simply visit

<https://www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/make-music/music-lessons/> - we also offer a bursary programme so please do check this out if you think you might be eligible.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on

rebecca.redfern@westsussexmusic.co.uk





Harvest Festival



HARVEST FESTIVAL DONATIONS

This year we will be donating all items to FreeShop. As a charity, FreeShop Crawley started in November 2020, during the challenging COVID-19 pandemic.

Website: <https://freeshopcrawley.com/our-story/>

Inspired by their own personal experiences, a couple of mums got together to offer people a way of receiving help that provided them with pride and dignity.

At FreeShop, we are proud to offer **H.O.P.E** (**H**aving dignity. **O**pportunities. **P**lace to call home. **E**quality and acceptance).

We are now offering support to over 600 people a week, can we help you too?





ITEMS WE NEED

TINNED MEAT, FISH, PIES AND VEG	KIDS PACKED LUNCH ITEMS
TINNED FRUIT AND PUDDING	CEREAL/PORRIDGE
PASTA SAUCES, SOUP, LENTILS	'FREE FROM' FOODS
CHOCOLATE SPREAD, PEANUT BUTTER	TEA /COFFEE /SUGAR HOT CHOCOLATE SQUASH
CRISPS, BISCUITS, CAKES, CEREAL BARS CEREAL	TOILETRIES, WASHING POWDER, CLEANING PRODUCTS, WASHING UP LIQUID

OTHER WAYS TO DONATE



SCAN TO DONATE

Donate food online at
www.forcommongood.co.uk



[DONATE NOW](#)



TEXT TO DONATE

£5
5FOOD TO 70085
£10
10FOOD TO 70085
£20
20FOOD TO 70085

07861907133  FREESHOPCRAWLEY.COM

BEWBUSH CENTRE, DORSTEN PLACE, BEWBUSH, RH11 8XW

Registered Charity Number: 1193224

We would like all donations in school by Tuesday 10th October
Thank you.



500 Words, the UK's most successful children's writing competition has now opened for submissions and will run till Friday 10 November.

For more information , please follow the link below:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words/about-500-words/zctk7v4>

or you can scan the QR code below:



Makaton

Sign of the week: Cow



Merry Christmas

Join our festive lunch by ordering on ParentPay for

.....Wednesday 13th December.....

MAINS

Roast Turkey in Gravy,
Or
Quorn Roast in Gravy

SIDES

Roast Potatoes, Mini Sausage, Stuffing,
Carrots and Cabbage

DESSERT

Snowy Cupcake

Scan QR code to order, no later than
Thursday 30th November !

*Special diets will remain in place.





Why use Studybugs?

Helps safeguard your child by automating schools' processing of sick reports, so if any children are unaccounted for, they'll know right away. Also verifies that reports of your child's absence have really come from you.

Contributes to public health by collecting anonymised data on illnesses going around — to help schools, parents and public health organisations take preventative action as early as possible.

Saves you time — it takes seconds to give the school all they need, and know they've got the message even if you're reporting at 6am or 11pm the night before.

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Note: Studybugs does not provide medical advice or diagnosis — please consult your GP for this.

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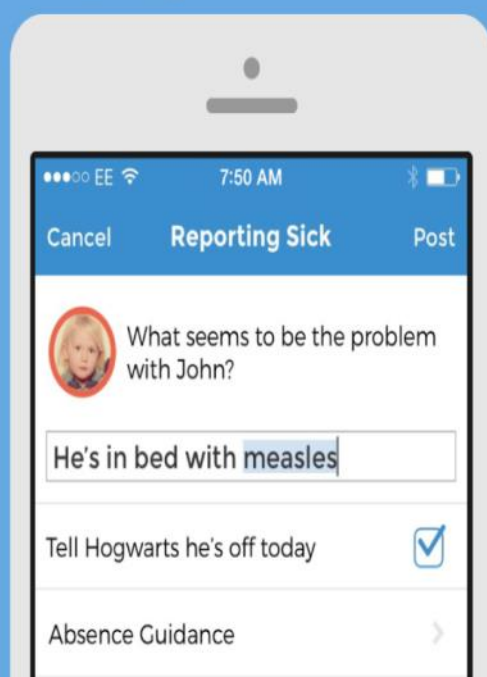


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A better, safer way to report when your child is sick and off school.

With a few quick taps or clicks, you can give your child's school all they need to record absence due to illness.

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Young Minds Wear Yellow 10th October 2023

We'll be joining thousands of other schools by wearing yellow to show young people that how they feel matters, as well as raising money for YoungMinds.

To take part, students can wear yellow to school on 10 October, and we ask parents and carers to consider making a donation to YoungMinds to the link below:

[Wear Yellow](#)

SAVE THE DATE | #DLDDAY 2023



SAVE THE DATE | #DLDDAY 2023 FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER 2023

Developmental Language Disorder is a hidden but common disability that affects 1 in 14 people causing difficulties understanding and using language for no known reason.

The 2023 DLDday theme is *DLD Around the World*, highlighting that DLD occurs in every language.

To raise awareness for this organisation, all we are asking is that the children wear purple for the day.

#DLDday **FRIDAY**
20TH OCTOBER 2023

R4DLD RAISING AWARENESS OF
DEVELOPMENTAL LANGUAGE DISORDER

RADLD.ORG



Language Café



Language Café

Join us for a cup of tea and a conversation to practise your language skills.



The Language Café is a new informal language practice space, where people from different backgrounds and cultures, can learn more of the English language together by engaging in conversation and practising what they have learnt, in a safe and welcoming environment.

Place: St Richard's Church, Three Bridges

Time: 2pm to 4pm

Date: Every Wednesday



OCTOBER 1/2 TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS

"Childcare during the holidays they want to go to"
Fresh air. Fresh activities. Fresh attitude.



"THIS CLUB IS CONSISTENTLY BRILLIANT"



Three Bridges Primary School

Three Bridges Primary School (Upper Site), Crawley, RH10 1PD

MONDAY 23RD

CAMPFIRE COOKOUT & CIRCUS SKILLS

TUESDAY 24TH

'AMONG US' SPY CAMP

WEDNESDAY 25TH

BLOOD, SNOT & ZOMBIES

THURSDAY 26TH

NERF: WINTER WASTELAND

FRIDAY 27TH

HARRY POTTER DAY

SPOOKY CAMPFIRE COOKOUT & CIRCUS SKILLS

Join us as we toast churros on the campfire & learn about Mexican cultural history through making Day of the Dead sugar skulls. We'll be having a circus skills fiesta & playing load of ghoulish games as we draw inspiration from Latin America.

HARRY POTTER WANDS, QUIDDITCH & POTIONS

In this session, we draw inspiration from the Harry Potter book series. Have fun whittling your very own woodland wand, brew potions & play Quidditch! Which house are you? Gryffindor, Slytherin, Hufflepuff or Ravenclaw.

'AMONG US' SPY CAMP

Based on the popular video game & encouraging positive technology use. The kids - our wannabe spies & spaceship survivors - hone their skills in deception, mystery, & intrigue. We'll be running our very own Among Us game adapted for the outdoors, testing our stealth skills in everyone's favourite, The Fugitive game, & getting creative with forensics-based fun.

BLOOD, SNOT & ZOMBIES

Not as scary as it sounds! We'll be embarking on our spooky season special - a zombie fun-filled day of snotty slime (Oobleck) & edible blood making. There's a hilarious body part scavenger hunt & lots of light-hearted seasonal fun & games

NERF: WINTER WASTELAND - DEFEND THE VAULT & SWAMP RESCUE

Join us for an energetic day of Nerf dart dodging, playing tactical, team-based Nerf games in our apocalyptic winter wasteland. Defend The Vault & Swamp Rescue. Lock & load! Zombie face paint kids workshop too. [Due to more competitive nature of this day, age 6+ recommended]

"MY DAUGHTER WAS FULL OF BEANS AND BURSTING WITH LOVELY STORIES WHEN I COLLECTED HER"



For more info on dates, locations, how the clubs run & to book: theoutdoorsproject.co.uk



Cut off dates for ParentPay meal ordering



Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
Sunday

September

	5	12	19	26	
	6	13	20	27	
	7	14	21	28	
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24		
4	11	18	25		

October

	3	10	17	24	31
	4	11	18	25	
	5	12	19	26	
	6	13	20	27	
	7	14	21	28	
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	

November

	7	14	21	28	
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24		
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		
6	13	20	27		

December

	5	12	19	26	
	6	13	20	27	
	7	14	21	28	
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24	31	
4	11	18	25		

October Cut off Dates

Thursday 6/10 for w/c Monday 17/10
 Thursday 20/10 for w/c Monday 31/10
 Thursday 27/10 for w/c Monday 7/11

November Cut off Dates

Thursday 3/11 for w/c Monday 14/11
 Thursday 10/11 for w/c Monday 21/11
 Thursday 17/11 for w/c Monday 28/11
 Thursday 24/11 for w/c Monday 5/12

December Cut off Dates

Thursday 1/12 for w/c Monday 12/12
 Thursday 22/12 for w/c Tuesday 3/1
 Thursday 29/12 for w/c Monday 9/1

Bank Holiday

School Holiday

Cut off date



Three Bridges Primary School

Reception Open Day

If your child was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020, they will be starting reception in primary school from September 2024.

The application process opened on 1 September 2023 and closes on 15th January 2024.

The national offer day is **16 April 2024**.

Come and visit our school for a tour and presentation. We are offering the following dates and times.

DATE:

9th October 2023

16th October 2023

6th November 2023

13th November 2023

8th January 2024

TIME:

1pm - 2pm

or

2pm - 3pm

To book an appointment, please contact the school office on
01293 524076 option 2 or email office@tbps.org.uk

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Dates for your diary



October

Mon 9th	Brownings Farm - Ash Class
Tue 10th	Wear Yellow - Young Minds Charity
Wed 11th	Brownings Farm - Larch Class
	Harvest Festival
Thurs 12th	Brownings Farm - Yew Class
Mon 16th - Fri 20th	Residential Visit - PGL (Year 6)
Tue 17th	6-weeks in meeting - Cherry
Wed 18th	6-weeks in meeting - Mulberry
Thurs 19th	6-weeks in meeting - Apple
Mon 23rd-Fri 27th is HALF TERM	
Mon 30th-3rd Nov	Termly Learning conferences—EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2

November

Thurs 2nd	EYFS - Outdoor Classroom Day!
Mon 13th	Crawley Library visiting Pear Class 10:45-13:30
Wed 15th	Individual class photos
Fri 17th	Sibling Photographs
Mon 20th-Fri 24th	Termly Learning Conferences—Years 3 to 6
Tues 21st	Year 1 & 2 to the cinema to see The Smeds and The Smoos and SuperWorm
Thurs 23rd	Year 5 to the cinema to see Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile!
Wed 29th	School Pantomime

December

Wed 13th	Christmas Lunch and party afternoon
Thurs 14th	Influenza Programme whole school

Fri 15th

End of Term

INSET Days 2023/2024

Tuesday 2nd January 2024
Monday 15th April 2024
Friday 24th May 2024

Standard School Year Term Dates

Autumn half term - (last day Friday 20th October 2023)

Monday 23rd October 2023 - Friday 27th October 2023

End of the Autumn Term - (last day Friday 15th December 2023)

Monday 18th December 2023 - Friday 29th December 2023

Spring Half Term - (last day Friday 9th February 2024)

Monday 12th February 2024 - Friday 16th February 2024

End of the Spring Term - (last day Thursday 28th March 2024)

Summer Half Term - Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024)

End of the School year - (last day Tuesday 23rd July 2024)