



Weekly Newsletter 13 Autumn Term 2023

Friday 8th December 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope your child has had a good week in school. It has been incredibly busy with rehearsals and performances but the children seem to be very positive and enjoying school!

Glyndebourne Opera

I had the privilege of attending the most amazing opera at Worth Abbey this week. Some of our Year 5 and 6 children have been working as part of the Crawley Creation project, with Glyndebourne, along with a lot of our former pupils at Hazelwick and Northgate Primary school. The children had written their very own verses as part of an adaptation of Hayden's Creation. It was incredibly moving and the children performed absolutely brilliantly. I could not have been more proud! We hope to continue working with Glyndebourne as the children have learnt so much and gained such confidence through this project. Thank you to Mr Rose, Mrs Rose and Miss Sharp for accompanying the children and supporting them.



Christmas performances

Well done to Pear Class and Reception on their Christmas performances this week. Pear Class looked very festive in their Christmas outfits and performed some very catchy Christmas songs. Reception have been reading the Jolly Postman and decided to re-tell the story for us along with some lovely singing. We are looking forward to the KS1 nativity next week and our Christmas Carols with KS2 on Friday afternoon in the upper site hall.

Christmas lunch and party afternoon

We have lots of children booked for Christmas lunch on Wednesday! The staff on the upper site always help out with serving lunch and will be sitting down with the children in the hall. Don't forget your child can wear party clothes on Wednesday (please wrap up warmly!) so that they can enjoy their festive parties in the afternoon.

Bikes and scooters

We encourage everyone to walk to school if possible. We have two cycle sheds and racks to put bikes and scooters. Please make sure you collect your child's bike or scooter every day, especially at weekends and holidays as we cannot guarantee to keep it safe overnight or for extended periods of time. Please remember that bikes and scooters should not be ridden on the playgrounds before and after school.

Mobile phones

We are re-introducing our 'No mobile zone' at drop off and pick up; we have noticed a lot of parents who are talking on their phone rather than interacting with their child on the way to and from school. It also presents a safeguarding risk to other children. We respectfully ask that you do not use your phone on school premises.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone.
Trudy Emberson, Headteacher



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Celebrations!



BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Huge congratulations go to

Willow Class

with a respectable
97% attendance

For week beginning
27th November 2023

Super job!!



Class Attendance of the Year

Our top class so far...

Willow Class
with 96%

Amazing - keep it up!!



Whole School Attendance

Three Bridges Primary School

93%

Primary national average

93.6%



Here Everyday Ready On Time!



More to celebrate...



Headteacher Awards



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

Reggie F	Nikodem	Saidev	Lucy	Jasmine
Ayden	Maryam	Farham	Senew	Rayyan
Marshall	Lacey	Taha	Kevin	Orion
Kateryna	Lena	DJ	Nabil	Amelia
Reggie	Ishayu	Asher	Oliver	Annie-May
Hibah	Rayyan	Hritam	Lillie	Lena
				Miss Bracher

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 - Chestnut

2nd - Mulberry

3rd - Willow



BoomReader

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

The classes who read the most are:



1st - Yew

2nd - Juniper

3rd - Ash



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

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



Headteacher Awards



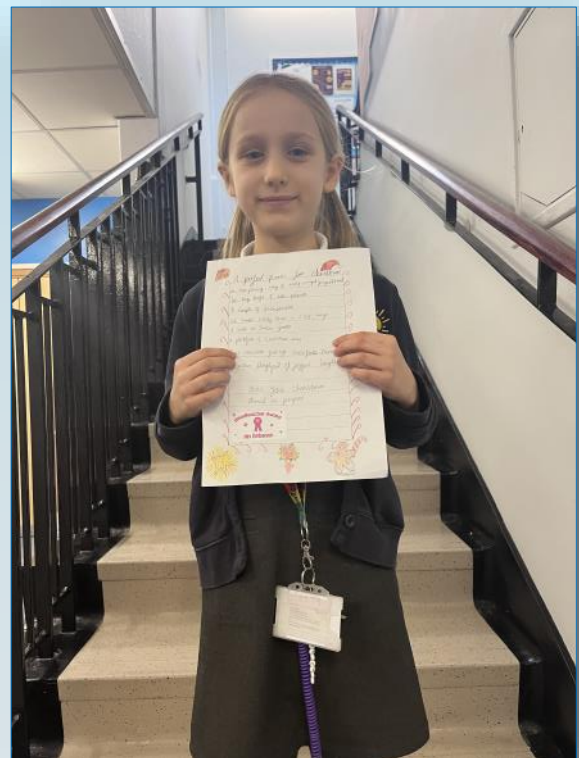
Ancient Greeks - Year 3

The Ancient Greeks made pots from clay. Large pots were used for cooking or storing food and small bowls and cups were made for people to eat and drink from.



The Stone Age - Year 4

The *Stone Age* was a broad prehistoric period during which stone was widely used to make stone tools with an edge, a point, or a percussion surface.



A Christmas Poem



Young Interpreters

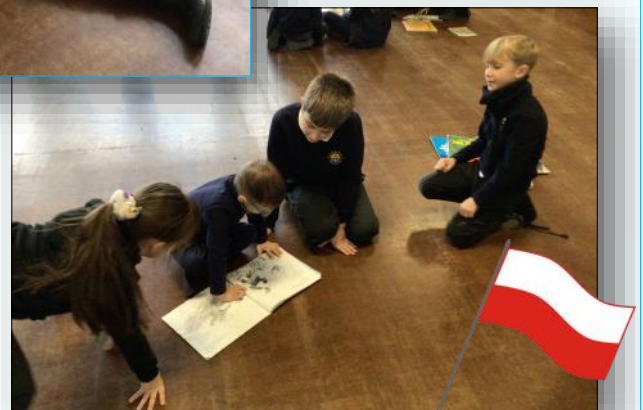


At Three Bridges Primary School, we are lucky enough to have children who speak or understand 53 different languages!

Our Young Interpreters are children across the lower and upper site who have English as an additional language as well as being a great role model to others, showing all of our school values.

Last week, our Young Interpreters on the upper site, came to the lower site to read with other children who have English as an additional language. Lots of them paired up with each other who shared the same language. Some read in English and some read in their own language. We have so many talented children!

At Three Bridges, we have a love of reading in all languages and this is something that we celebrate.



Need to Talk?



Family support clinics

- Professional and personalised advice and support for parents, carers and extended family members of individuals on the autism spectrum, with learning disabilities or with complex needs.
- Delivered by our team of specialist advisors.
- Support on accessing resources and further signposting.
- Face to face or virtual clinics offered.
- We also welcome professionals supporting those living with any disability.

Email familysupport@aspens.org.uk
to book a 30 minute session
Free for those living in West Sussex and Kent, small
charge of £20 per session
for those outside the counties.

NURTURE CLASS OF THE WEEK

Elm Class



NURTURE CLASS OF THE WEEK

Cedar Class



Cedar Class have been nurturing by helping each other in their art lesson and supporting each other outside on the playground.





On Friday the 1st of December, we started our Crawley football league season.

It was a brilliant start winning two of our first three games.

We narrowly lost to Milton Mount 1-0 before beating OLQOH 3-0 and Maidenbower 1-0.

Star player was Michael Jesionowski who provided brilliant energy all day, topped with several goals.

Well done boys!



Another busy week of sports competitions at TBPS.

We took a group of eager year 5's and 6's to K2 on Monday for an indoor football event. They all did brilliantly, considering it was indoors instead of out on the 3G pitch!

We also had a boys football competition at Thomas Bennet on Thursday which was curtailed early due to the outbreak in rain, but the boys did well, losing just once in five games.

Finally, today, we are attending a re-arranged hockey festival for year 4 who are all very excited for the afternoon ahead.

A great week of sport here at TBPS.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A FESTIVE DISCO

13TH AND 14TH DECEMBER AT THE UPPER SITE HALL

TICKETS - £3 PER CHILD WHICH INCLUDES A SNACK & DRINK

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS FROM 5PM 10TH NOVEMBER AT

WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/FRIENDSOFTHREEBRIDGES



Reception-Year 2 Disco
13th December
3.30pm - 5.00pm
Upper site hall



Year 3-6 Disco
14th December
3.15pm - 5.15pm
Upper site hall

Reception - Year 2 children must be
accompanied by a parent or carer

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofthreebridges/>



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. You can apply here:

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-places/apply/starting-school-places/#apply-for-a-place>

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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Cut off dates for ParentPay meal ordering



	November						December					
Monday		6	13	20	27			4	11	18	25	
Tuesday		7	14	21	28			5	12	19	26	
Wednesday	1	8	15	22	29			6	13	20	27	
Thursday	2	9	16	23	30			7	14	21	28	
Friday	3	10	17	24			1	8	15	22	29	
Saturday	4	11	18	25			2	9	16	23	30	
Sunday	5	12	19	26			3	10	17	24	31	

December Cut off Dates

Thursday 22/12 for w/c Tuesday 3/1

Thursday 29/12 for w/c Monday 9/1

Important message.

Due to a Chartwells system update, any meals booked for Wednesday 3rd January 2024 have been cancelled, therefore, please could parents/carers ensure they re-book their child's school dinner via parentpay for this day.

Sorry for any inconvenienced caused.



Please remember to order your Christmas lunch by Thursday 30th November 2023.

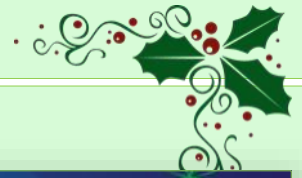
When ordering please make sure you select both a meal and a pudding.



Bank Holiday

School Holiday

Cut off date



A gift that lasts a lifetime

This Christmas we are asking people to support children like Brooks.



Following a very early start in life, where his parents were often concerned for his future, he defied the odds and grew from strength to strength. At just 13 months old he and his family started attending services at Dame Vera Lynn Children's Charity. These services not only changed his life, but changed the lives of his parents as well.

Brooks took part in physiotherapy sessions, music, swimming, home play and most recently Speech and Language Therapy. All of these services are provided free of charge to children just like Brooks.



Over the last year we have supported over 70 children with Cerebral Palsy or other motor learning impairments, and we want to help more. To do that we need your help.

Please give what you can to help children just like Brooks get the help and support that they need. We cannot change their start in life but we can help change their future.

With best wishes this Christmas

The team at Dame Vera Lynn Children's Charity

Donate today at www.DVLCC.org.uk or call 01444 473274 to find out more information.



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Recycle your Christmas Tree for Charity



We collect your Christmas tree from your drive or gate and take it to be recycled.

Collection from the following postcodes:

RH6, RH7, RH10, RH11,
RH12, RH13, RH15, RH16,
RH17, RH18, RH19, BN6,
BN7, BN8, BN44, BN45,
TN6, TN7, TN8, TN20,
TN21, TN22, in return for
a donation to our Charity.

For more information or to
register and donate please visit:

www.dvlcc.org.uk
or phone 01444 473274

Booking required by midnight
Wednesday 3rd January 2024.

Registered Charity Number 1089657



DAME VERA LYNN
Children's Charity
Discover together

The magical winter lantern trail

23 November 2023 – 1 January 2024

Under 4s
go free!
10th anniversary
celebrations



Opening week promotion and flexi tickets available
kew.org/glowwild

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IN NATURE"

XMAS HOLIDAY CLUBS

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

THREE BRIDGES PRIMARY SCHOOL

MONDAY 18 DEC

Mega Games, Snow Making, S'mores & Paint Mural

We love to play! A day of mega games, woodland adventure & a wild time as we toast s'mores around the campfire to recharge between mega games. There'll be a 'snow' ball-making session before we come together to design a massive Paint Gun Mural!

TUESDAY 19 DEC

Bad Santa & Snowball Nerf - Christmas Special

Join us for an energetic day of Nerf dart dodging, with tactical & team-based Nerf games. There's an imposter dressed as Santa & he's out to steal Christmas - we need help to save our stockings! Come along for battling Bad Santa & a game of Snowball Assault. (Due to the more competitive nature of this day, age 6+ is recommended)

WEDNESDAY 20 DEC

NEW Minecraft Day with Weapons & Model Workshop

The kids will be building & maintaining their village using bushcraft equipment while earning reward pixels & protecting their village from the Creeper! They will have to collect their elements & using the crafting table build their weapons, before our Minecraft paper pixel character modeling workshop.

THURSDAY 21 DEC

Drop Pancakes, S'mores, Pine Needle Tea & Fire Lighting

Gather around the campfire for Campfire Cookout: Christmas Edition! We will make our own drop pancakes, master the art of brewing pine needle tea, & hone your bushcraft fire lighting skills. Oh yeah - then head to the campfire once again for some tasty s'mores!

FRIDAY 22 DEC

Xmas Crafts - Bird Feeders, Embroidery Art & Candy Cane Hunt

Today we'll be enjoying a wintery Christmas craft day appreciating the beautiful season of winter. We'll be helping our feathered friends out as we craft some bird feeders. We'll create our own floss embroidery art & there'll be a hunt for the candy canes Santa's elves have left out for us!



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

CRAWLEY TOWN FC EXHIBITION



The story of our club, 1890s to 2023,
from West Sussex Junior league to the
English Football League
FAMILY FUN DAY

When?
Sunday 17th December 2023
Where?

Crawley Museum, The Tree, 103 High Street,
Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 1DD

Family day (and the duration of the exhibition) includes
A "Design a football shirt for CTFC" competition,
with prizes of;

Family Ticket (2 adults 2 children for a CTFC Home EFL game)
Signed Crawley Town Shirt
Both donated by Crawley Town FC

One Month's subscription to Brick Borrow (The Lego brick borrowing service)
For Primary school, Secondary school and adult age groups

Father Christmas and his helper, Reggie the Red, will also be there, as will
players, past (including a dramatic appearance by GFH Banks, courtesy of Half
Time Orange) and present.





Dates for your diary



December

Mon 11th	KS1 Christmas Performance - 2pm
Tues 12th	KS1 Christmas Performance - 10am & 2pm
Wed 13th	Christmas Lunch and party afternoon KS1 Christmas Performance - 10am
Thurs 14th	School Disco - YR to Yr2 (3.30pm to 5.00pm, US Hall) Influenza Programme whole school School Disco - Y3 to Yr6 (3.15pm to 5.15pm, US Hall)
Fri 15th	Christmas Carols in Upper Site hall at 1.45pm. Christmas Jumper day! Last day of term

January 2024

Tues 2nd	INSET Day - school is closed to pupils
Wed 3rd	First day of the Spring Term

INSET Days 2023/2024

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

Standard School Year Term Dates

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)