

Weekly Newsletter 14 Autumn Term 2023

Friday 15th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done everyone; we have had a very festive, final week of the Autumn Term! The Year 1 and 2 nativity was lovely; the children sang beautifully and narrated the Nativity story. I hope you enjoyed all of the children's performances this year. The Christmas lunch was great on Wednesday; thank you to the staff who helped out in both halls; there were a lot of meals served! We have our traditional Christmas Carols this afternoon in the upper site hall; it always feels like Christmas has arrived after all of our special events!

We hope that your child has enjoyed their first term of the school year, do take some time to reflect on what has gone well and what could have been better. Do let us know if there is anything that you are worried about, as we can only help if we know about it.

Support at Christmas

This can be a challenging time for everyone financially. Thank you so much to Mrs King, who has been organising vouchers from the Golden Lions and arranging Christmas meals from the Greenaway Foundation again this year. So many of our families benefit from these charities every year.

Domestic Abuse

This is a difficult time for families and it can be stressful during holiday times. Witnessing domestic abuse can cause significant trauma for children, who can feel extremely frightened and worried. Please call Worth Services if you need support on 07834 968539 or 033 022 28181.

Mobile phones

We have reintroduced our '**No mobile zone**' at drop off and pick up; We respectfully ask that you do not use your phone on school premises; thank you. Please help us keep everyone safe at our school.

Uniform

Please take some time over the holidays to check that your child's uniform and shoes fit them. Label everything too please! We ask that the children wear navy jumpers or cardigans, preferably with the school logo with black shoes please; trainers should be worn for PE only. If you cannot afford to buy separate shoes, please make sure trainers are plain black.

Thank you

Thank you for everything you do to support our school. We have a great community and we need to continue to work together to ensure your child gets the very best education. Thank you also to my wonderful team, who have worked so hard this term. I hope everyone has a restful holiday.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from us all at Three Bridges Primary school;
here's to a happy and peaceful 2024. Check the dates for your diary page for details of next term's events—see you on **Wednesday 3rd January 2024**.

Best wishes

Trudy Emberson, Headteacher



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Celebrations!



BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Huge congratulations go to

Willow Class

with an amazing
98% attendance

For week beginning
4th December 2023

Super job!!



Class Attendance of the Year

Our top class so far...

Willow & Yew 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!

Safia
Saphra
Chetus
Adrian
Aydin
Alice
Lillie
Lassine
Alex
Daniel
Cypress Class

Aadhya
Elsie
Charlie
Rio
Olivia-Grace
Liyaa
Daniel
Mika
Jayden
Lydia

Theo
Elodie
Parkavi
Anaya
Daya
Bailey
Khadija
Lael
Bella
Ayutha
Carter

Leo
Isabelle
Troy
Isaac
Daniel
Oscar

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 - 702

2nd - 684

3rd - 672



BoomReader

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

The classes who read the most are:



1st - Maple

2nd - Willow

3rd - Yew



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



Year 3



Year 4



Year 6





Christmas Lunch



NURTURE CLASS OF THE WEEK

Elm Class



We were engaged listening to a story.



We were engaged learning about shapes!



We were engaged in PE listening to instructions.



We were engaged completing Christmas art.



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NURTURE CLASS OF THE WEEK

Cypress Class



Cypress have had lots to engage with this week!

They have engaged in their Christmas party...



They have got stuck into fractions...



They have engaged in finishing their Maya topic...



They have taken part in some amazing Art...

and they have even engaged in some extra-special extra-curricular activities!



Well done Cypress!





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

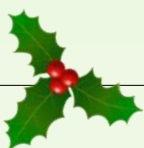
Thursday 29/12 for w/c Monday 9/1



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.



Bank Holiday

School Holiday

Cut off date



Cut off dates for ParentPay meal ordering



Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
Sunday

January					
	2	9	16	23	30
	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	

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



Monday
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Saturday
Sunday

March					
	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		
5	12	19	26		

April					
	3	10	17	24	
	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	

January Cut off Dates

Thursday 5/1 for w/c Monday 16/1
 Thursday 12/1 for w/c Monday 23/1
 Thursday 19/1 for w/c Monday 30/1
 Thursday 26/1 for w/c Monday 6/2

February Cut off Dates

Thursday 9/2 for w/c Monday 20/2
 Thursday 16/2 for w/c Monday 27/2
 Thursday 23/2 for w/c Monday 6/3

March Cut off Dates

Thursday 2/3 for w/c Monday 13/3
 Thursday 9/3 for w/c Monday 20/3
 Thursday 16/3 for w/c Monday 27/3

April Cut off Dates

Thursday 6/4 for w/c Monday 17/4
 Thursday 13/4 for w/c Monday 24/4
 Thursday 20/4 for w/c Tuesday 2/5
 Thursday 27/4 for w/c Monday 8/5



Bank Holiday

School Holiday

Cut off date



On Thursday the 14th of December, we headed to ICC for the annual storm basketball Crawley competition.

The team got progressively better as the matches went on and we ended up winning one and drawing three throughout the afternoon.

Lots of baskets were scored and lots of fun was had.

Well done TBPS!



Parenting support service

Supporting children and young people's mental health

Our parenting support service aims to increase the confidence, knowledge and skills of parents and carers around supporting their children and young people's mental health.

If you would like support, contact our Help Point:

Monday to Friday, 10am – 4pm

0300 303 5652 or
helppoint@westsussexmind.org

Support includes:

- Online peer support groups
- Talks from 'experts by experience' on topics such as EBSA and Self-Esteem
- In-person peer support groups across the county
- One to one telephone support
- Casual check-ins
- Private Facebook group
- Signposting.

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westsussexmind.org
Charity no: 1155928

Need to Talk?

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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.



Charity no. 1171446

aspens.org.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.

BARRACUDAS EARLY BOOKING OFFER

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Book up to 12 weeks in advance and receive a 10% discount!
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Just £10 per day or £25 per week per child

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EARLY BOOKING OFFER

We've launched at our lowest rates. You can save up to £89 a week if you book now with our Early Booking offer and your exclusive code!

On top of that, you can also secure your booking with our reduced deposit rates. Perfect to ease your finances in the run up to Christmas. You can confirm your booking for just £10 a day or £25 a week (standard deposit rates are £15 a day and £50 a week).

LOW DEPOSIT OFFER ENDS 31ST DECEMBER, 2023
EARLY BIRD RATES END 31ST JANUARY, 2024



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.



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



Information

The
**Outdoors
Project**

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"NO SCREENS,
JUST GOOD FUN
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

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

Royal Botanic Gardens
Kew



Dates for your diary



January 2024

Tues 2nd	INSET Day - school is closed to pupils
Wed 3rd	Welcome back to school
Thurs 4th	School Council KS1 @ 1.30pm
Tues 9th	School Council KS2 @ 1.30pm
Mon 15th	Lighthouse Assembly @ 2.30pm—KS2
Wed 17th	Young Voices - at the O2 all day
Mon 22nd	Lighthouse Assembly @ 2.30pm—Reception and KS1
Thurs 25th	I-Rock performance @ 9am. Year 2 Reading Afternoon @ 2pm
Tues 30th	Year 3 Reading Afternoon @ 2pm
Wed 31st	Reception—Bedtime experience at 2pm



February 2024

Thurs 1st	Pear Class Bedtime Experience @ 11am and 2pm Year 4 Reading Afternoon @ 2pm
Fri 2nd	NSPCC Number Day
Tues 6th	Year 5 and 6 Reading Afternoon @ 2pm
Fri 9th	Learning Showcases—whole school. More details to follow!

March 2024

Mon 4th—Fri 8th	Termly Learning Conferences—Nursery, Reception and KS1. Lighthouse Assembly @ 2.30pm—KS2
Mon 11th	Lighthouse Assembly @ 2.30pm—Reception and KS1
Mon 18th	Termly Learning Conferences—KS2
Fri 29th	Good Friday—school closed, Easter holidays begin

INSET Days 2023/2024—school is closed on these days



Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday 15th April 2024

Friday 24th May 2024

West Sussex County Council Term Dates

Spring Term is from Tuesday 2nd January—Thursday 28th March 2024

Spring Half Term - Monday 12th February 2024 - Friday 16th February 2024

Summer Term is from Monday 15th April—Tuesday 23rd July

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



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