

Weekly Newsletter 6 Spring Term 2024

Friday 9th February 2024



Dear Parents and Carers.

We are officially half way through the school year! Did you manage to pop in to our Reading afternoons? Or did you come along to Stay and Play in Nursery and Reception? Or did you come to the Learning Showcases this afternoon? If you did, I hope you found it helpful to come and see your child learning in school. It was lovely to see so many of you in school. I am sure you will join me in thanking the staff for all their hard work so far this year.

Mental Health

This week the children have had time to reflect on their own mental health. Life can be incredibly challenging for children and we encourage them to talk if they are struggling. Three Bridges Primary has a very supportive and kind staff, with even more amazing children. If your child is struggling, do let the class teacher know so that the school can support them in finding ways to help them feel better.

Online safety

Please keep a close eye on what your child is doing online during the half term break. We still receive a lot of complaints from parents who are worried about their child's safety online. Encourage them to be kind as they can get into a lot of trouble if they send inappropriate messages. We have arranged for the police to come to talk with Year 5 children on Monday 19th February; we will arrange further talks with the children in the coming weeks. There is some information about free webinars in the newsletter this week, which parents might find useful.

Visits and visitors

There are visits and visitors booked for the coming months for the children to enjoy, and to enhance their learning. Please do contribute towards these if you can so that we can continue to plan great opportunities for learning outside the classroom.

Parking

With hopefully better weather on its way, please try to park further away from the school so that we reduce the congestion in Gales Place and Gales Drive. Thank you to everyone who parks their car considerately!

Toys

We do have some children who find comfort in bringing items from home however please remember that the school cannot accept liability for items brought in from home that are broken, lost or stolen.

Have a wonderful half term break and we will see you all on Monday 19th February.

Thank you as always for all your support.

Trudy Emberson Headteacher







Celebrations!



BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Huge congratulations go to

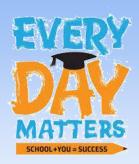


Elm Class with an amazing 99% attendance



For week beginning 29/01/2024

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 93.2%



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!



Alex Aidha Ava

Anais Annabeth Aaliyah

Suleman Toritsela Elsie

Matthew Miyah – Rose Max

Rowan Arabella Sahar

Younus Maha Lassine

Cerys

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 - Juniper

2nd - Cedar

3rd - Apple



BoomReader

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

The classes who read the most are:



1st - Willow

2nd - Elm

3rd - Pine



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



One of our Year 2 children, made a Tudor house independently out of recycled materials.



Year 6 have been learning about the Anglo Saxons & Runes.

Ava made these resin runes at home.

When the Vikings did write things down, they used a completely different type of writing to us called **runes**. Rather than letters of the alphabet, runes used symbols.

TOP SECRET - MYSTERY READER

Beginning after the half term, we would like to invite any parents, older siblings, grandparents, relatives, or other special people to surprise your child by being a 'Mystery Reader' in our classrooms.

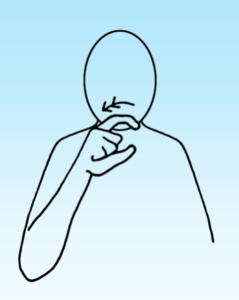


Children love having their family, friends and relatives visit our classrooms to share in our learning by reading a favourite story aloud to our class.

Year 1 & 2 will be on Fridays at 9am until 9:15 and Reception will be on Tuesdays at 2:50. You will shortly be getting an invitation from your child's class teacher, so look out for that!

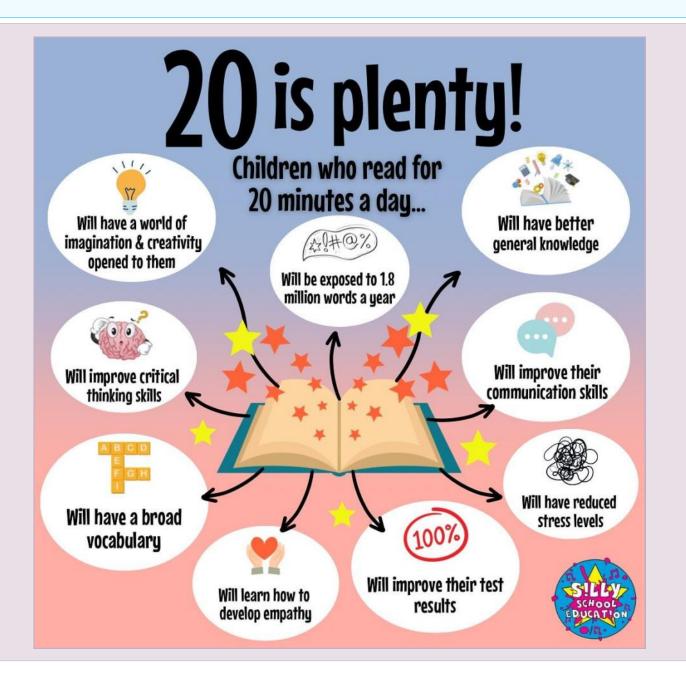
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Sign of the Week Chocolate







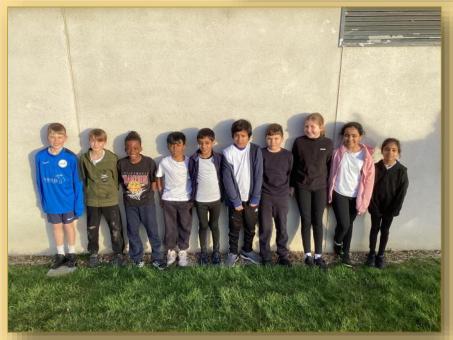


On Monday last week we took part in some competitive football games at TBCC 3G.

They were all tense and exciting games in which all the boys showed great spirit.

We took a handful of children to a cross country at Oriel High School on Thursday. Both boys and girl teams did well and despite the long distance, none thought about giving up! They all had great attitudes and determination.





On Monday this week, we had a Sports hall athletics event at the K2 which 18 children across year 5&6 competed in. We are happy to report we won our section of the event and await the final standings!

Well done to all 18 children involved!

Finally, on Friday last week, we took a team of girls to a Crawley town football tournament. The girls scored many goals and picked up some wins along the way!

NURTURE CLASS OF THE WEEK Cherry Class



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

NURTURE CLASS OF THE WEEK

Oak Glass

In Oak, we have been working on developing out nurturing skills.

As well as being good friends at break and lunchtimes, we have been helping each other in class within our learning.

In English, we have been writing recounts about our trip to the Science Museum.

We have nurtured each other by reminding each other of our amazing experiences.

In forest school, we are always nurturing but this week we had to be especially nurturing as it was so wet and muddy!

Similarly, in computing and PSHE, we have been thinking about being safe on the internet and making posters to help remind each other of safe, nurturing behaviour online.











Young Artists' Summer Show







The Royal Academy in London is running a children's summer exhibition again this year. Would your child like to submit a piece of art? There is no theme and it is free to enter.

Three Bridges Primary School have now been registered, so as a parent of a child at this school you will be able to submit one piece of art that your child has done.

The art work must be original, not copied.

Judges are looking for imagination, originality and skill.

Each submission can include a short-written statement, written by the artist themselves (if possible) and can include why they created the work and what it means to them.

If you would like to submit a piece of art and find out more information about the exhibition and the submissions process please go to:

https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/

Parents & Carers can submit art work on behalf of their child. Just click on register/submit and follow the instructions to upload your child's artwork. Good Luck!!









Cut off dates for ParentPay meal ordering



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April

February Cut off Dates

Thursday 8/2 for w/c Monday 19/2 Thursday 15/2 for w/c Monday 26/2 Thursday 22/2 for w/c Monday 4/3 Thursday 29/2 for w/c Monday 11/3

March Cut off Dates

Thursday 7/3 for w/c Monday 18/3 Thursday 14/3 for w/c Monday 25/3

April Cut off Dates

Thursday 4/4 for w/c Monday 15/4 Thursday 11/4 for w/c Monday 22/4 Thursday 18/4 for w/c Monday 29/4 Thursday 25/4 for w/c Monday 8/5



Parent Webinars for Safer Internet Day



The webinars which we are running this week for Parents and Carers, in support of Safer Internet Day, have been so overwhelming popular that we have decided to run more! Dates and registration links for the new sessions are below – I would please ask you to share these details far and wide – we clearly have a lot of parents wanting to know more about this subject.

Some of the schools who have been particularly supportive of these have actually arranged for parents to come in and view the webinar, meaning more than one parent per sign up, which is excellent news.

These webinars are best suited to parents of children in KS2 (aged 7) and above, so please make sure that is clear in any messaging. I have included the boilerplate for the session for you to include in any comms you send out around this.

When: Feb 20, 2024 20:00 GMT

Registration: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN bh2OoyrTTJ2v853z9psJOA

When: Feb 27, 2024 10:00 GMT

Registration: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN f85LCF9XQQiveByxpGjBRA

When: Feb 28, 2024 20:00 GMT

Registration: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_XZSXC9NnRBWVsnUzxFUtga

When: Mar 4, 2024 11:00 GMT

Registration: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2fwzDzv3RMmo7Gm0PGf_3w

When: Mar 4, 2024 20:00 London

Registration: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN 2ROjhkKsSKueNgILJ7ISfQ

Boilerplate:

This session introduces you to the Cyber Choices programme, led by the National Crime Agency, and delivered locally by SEROCU (the South East Regional Organised Crime Unit). Cyber Choices is a programme that supports those people at risk of committing computer misuse offences, such as hacking. These risks are far more real than most people recognise, with around 1 in 4 young people admitting to committing low-harm cybercrimes, perhaps without even realising they doing what were was Ideally suited to parents/carers of children in Year 3 (age 7) and above, all the way up to college, university and beyond, this session will help parents and carers to understand what computer misuse is, what the risks to young people are, to recognise some of the indicators that young people may be involved in committing cybercrimes, and how the Cyber Choices programme supports at-risk individuals.

If anyone has any issues with booking on to any of the sessions, please ask them to contact the SEROCU Cyber Choices team on cyberchoices@serocu.police.uk



Please Remember...



...to cut grapes lengthways









Free School Meals & Pupil Premium



All Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal (often referred to as UFSM). If you are in receipt of certain benefits you may be entitled to Free School Meals (FSM).

The difference is that if you are entitled to FSM there are other means of support that you can tap into.

Once you are in receipt of benefits related Free School Meals your child's school will receive additional funding (Pupil Premium) to help and support you through your child's education. The school will also receive extra support to deliver a fully inclusive and accessible education for all of our pupils. You can apply for Free School Meals at any time while your child is at Three Bridges Primary School.

For example:

If you apply and are entitled to Free School Meals in Reception class the funding is there to support you for your child's entire time at TBPS. If you become eligible in year 5 then the Pupil Premium funding goes with you to secondary school.

How can Pupil Premium funding help me?

Pupil Premium funding is used at the schools discretion to support children, each situation is assessed individually but examples of the support available are listed below:

Help with before and after school childcare	Before and after school sports and activities
Support with payment for trips if receiving FSM	Additional tuition
Help with school uniform	Holiday clubs
Music lessons subsidy	Counselling support and play therapy

Is my child eligible?

From 1 April 2018, free school meals in all West Sussex maintained and free schools and academies are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits:

<u>Universal Credit</u> (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)

Income Support

Income-based <u>Jobseeker's Allowance</u>

Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

The guaranteed element of state Pension Credit

<u>Child Tax Credit</u> (provided you're not also entitled to <u>Working Tax Credit</u> and have an annual gross income of no more £16,190)

Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

If you are eligible for benefits-related free school meals in accordance with the above criteria, and your child is also receiving Universal Infant Free School Meals, **please still apply**. This will enable your child's school to claim valuable 'pupil premium' funding.

If either parent works within the armed forces or if a child is looked after from care they may also be eligible for benefits. Documentation will need to be provided in these instances.

How do I apply?

You can apply for Free School Meals on line via West Sussex County Council.

Use this link to find out more and apply.

If your child comes under any of the categories below you might also be entitled to Pupil Premium support: Children of those employed in the Armed Services

Children adopted from care

Please get in touch with the school office to find out how to apply and what support is offered on 01293 524076 or office@tbps.org.uk



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· Oakwood Sports Centre

Crawlev:

- Copthorne Parish Hub
- Forge Wood School
- Hazelwick School
- St Margaret's School





Check out our reviews on Google and at springfit.org/reviews



Get in touch by scanning this code or call The Springfit Team on 0203 478 0203



GYMNASTICS

Gymnastics is excellent for improving core strength, flexibility, balance and co-ordination.

Classes are available for differing ability levels, plus classes specifically for youth (age 10+) and boys only!



For complete beginners or those looking to improve their skills, there is something for everyone!

> Available at: ALL Springfit Venues

Visit springfit.org/classes to see our schedule. There is a class there just waiting for you to join. We run 7 days a week!



PARKOUR

Vault, tumble and flip in a safe learning environment to improve overall fitness, social interaction, discipline and concentration, with the help of our fantastic coaches!

> Available at: Oakwood Sports Centre

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Get started with a no-obligation Taster Class to see how we do things and find YOUR perfect Springfit class!

TRAMPOLINE

From age 5, you can jump in and learn new aerial skills, earn progress awards and build spatial awareness. Our coaches are always happy to see new faces along!

Available at:

Hazelwick School, Jubilee Community Centre, Oakwood Sports Centre and St Rede's School

Check out our social media profiles to see our members in action! -



Clubs & Events





Shape Detectives - Kids Trail

Saturday 10th February to Sunday 17th March 10am-5pm

This winter become a Shape Detective and see the world through new eyes! Embark on an exciting adventure, uncovering a multitude of captivating shapes and patterns within our Garden - there are so many waiting to be discovered in the most unexpected places.

Along the way, enjoy nature-inspired crafts and games, while searching for hidden logs to help decode the name of a spring flower and to win a prize.

£4 per trail, plus admission to include a prize. Free to Members*

*Family Membership (for up to 3 children) starts from just £9 per month by Direct Debit and includes all 6 of our school holiday trails, worth up to £24 per child. See website for details.

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FEBRUARY HALF TERM

12TH - 16TH FEBRUARY 2024





NO SCREENS,

FUN OUTSIDE"

WILDLIFE

Clubs & Events





Fresh air. Fresh activities. Fresh attitude.

Three Bridges Primary School (Upper Site)



Join us around the campfire for bushcraft whittling a toasting fork, cooking delicious snacks of cinnamon rolls & marshmallow fluff biscotti bombs, plus plenty of adventure & games to keep warm & burn off the sugar.

TUESDAY 13 FEB

Animal Ambassadors: Sea Wolves, Sea Turtles & Red Pandas

Learn about endangered animals, their habitats & how they survive & thrive. Get hands-on creating sea turtles, building dens for sea wolves & treehouses for the red pandas.

WEDNESDAY 14 FEB

Nature Ninja Craft & Adventure

A day of nature immersion & positive tech. Craft a pebble ninja & throwing star, contribute to a giant Japanese leaf print mural & work in a team using a camera to find hidden ninjas in our stealthy spy scavenger hunt.

THURSDAY 15 FEB ROBIN HOOD DAY

Join Robin and his merry men on a brave adventure. Craft personalised bows 6 mini shields, take part in medieval games 6 join the stagecoach robbery - 'rob from the rich 6 give to the poor!'

FRIDAY 16 FEB

Nerfageddon - Nerf & Adventure Games

An action-packed day of high-energy, tactical, base-invasion Nerf & adventure games: Zombie Apocalypse, VIP, & Capture The Flag. We'll provide the blasters & fun, you provide the kids!

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









Dates for your diary



February 2024

Mon 19th Muntham House visit. Dentist visiting EYFS @ 9am.

Police visiting Year 5 pm

Tues 20th Pet Day in Reception

Wed 28th Rainbow Theatre visiting Year 2 - Great Fire of London

March 2024

Mon 4th Just Dance - Year 1 performing at the Hawth.

Lighthouse Assembly @ 2.30pm - KS2

Mon 4th - Fri 8th Termly Learning Conferences for Nursery, Reception and KS1

Wed 6th Ensemble Reza with Year 6 @ 1pm

Thurs 7th World Book Day

Fri 8th Year 5 are going to Waterstone's

Mon 11th Lighthouse Assembly @ 2.30pm - Reception and KS1

Wed 13th Year 6 at Butser Farm

Mon 18th Easter Explored - Year 4 at St Richard's church

Mon 18th - Fri 22nd Termly Learning Conferences - KS2
Thurs 21st Lots of Socks Day - wear lots of socks!

Fri 22nd Year 5 at Drusillas
Tues 26th Year 1 at Leeds Castle

Wed 27th Reception making Easter nests

Fri 29th Good Friday - school closed, Easter holidays begin.

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

Monday 15th April 2024 Friday 24th May 2024