



# Weekly Newsletter 6

## Spring Term

### Friday 14th February 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Valentine's Day! Let's spread some love around the school community today: *"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."* – Leo Buscaglia

#### **Are you worried about how to keep your child safe online?**

With half term next week, we really hope that you can keep an eye on what your child is doing online. There are many concerns around the use of AI and the risk this poses to children. The UK is the first country in the world to create new AI sexual abuse offences to protect children from predators generating AI images, so we hope that this will help keep the children safe.

[Britain's leading the way protecting children from online predators - GOV.UK](#) .

Here are some safety tips for parents/carers: [Artificial intelligence safety tips for parents | NSPCC](#)

#### **Parent/carer forum**

Thank you to the parents/carers who came to the forum today. We had a select group but we had a great discussion about how things are going at school:

- \* Home learning is going well in KS2; parents have said their children are reading more.
- \* In Year 6, the classes are told how many children are engaging with home learning and this is very motivational!
- \* Home learning guidelines need to be shared again so all parents know expectations
- \* Parents said that the children are clearly learning about being safer online as their child is talking about what to avoid online.
- \* There are concerns about how WhatsApp is being used and parents felt worried about their child having a phone in the future. To reassure parents, the school has been in touch with the Police today and they will be visiting Year 6 soon.
- \* Parents would like more school trips
- \* The school should buy a minibus to help with some of the visits
- \* Parents would like to be able to donate extra money to the school
- \* Class dojo school story can become very busy with too many messages
- \* The Class Dojo calendar needs to be updated so parents can see the events
- \* Parents would like to know how to become a volunteer
- \* Can parents come into school to share their skills?
- \* The school could have a careers fair so that children can find out about different jobs to do when they are older.

#### **Volunteers**

We really appreciate voluntary help to support learning in school. If you are interested in helping, please email the office to let us know what day or times you can commit to.

We are now officially halfway through the school year! Have a great half term break. We will see you on Monday 24th February!

Best wishes  
Trudy Emberson  
Headteacher





# Celebrations!



## BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Huge** congratulations go to



**Lower Site - Silver Birch & Chestnut Class**

with an amazing **96%** attendance



**Upper Site - Sycamore & Ash Class**

with an amazing **95%** attendance

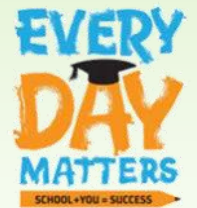
for week beginning 3rd February 2025  
Well done!

## BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE so far...

**Huge** congratulations go to



**Sycamore Class**  
with an amazing  
**96%**  
attendance



Super job!!

## **Whole School Attendance**

Three Bridges Primary School

**93%**

Primary national average

**93%**



**Here Everyday Ready On Time!**



# Headteacher Awards



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



- |               |           |             |
|---------------|-----------|-------------|
| Oliver        | Max       | Shradha x   |
| Ilyas         | Sami      | Mila        |
| Hibah         | Ibrahima  | Scarlett    |
| Caitlyn       | Nellia    | Kateryna    |
| Joyce         | Asiya     | Robyn       |
| Yukshanaa     | Alexia    | Grayson     |
| Sameeha       | Ira       | Hamza       |
| Cypress Class | Alistair  | Rishika     |
| Advika X2     | Alex      | Selena      |
| Issy          | Lucas     | Athnika     |
| Selena        | Emili     | Theana      |
| Penny         | Sofia     | Rowan Class |
| Harini        | Scarlett  | Imaana      |
| Dominik       | Matviy    | Kason       |
| Maple Class   | Sofia     | Timea       |
| Saphra        | Gabriel   | Saulius     |
| Teddy         | Nancy     | Jacob       |
| Theana        | Anuthayan | Nathan      |
| Mariia        |           |             |



## 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 - Poplar Class**
- 2nd - Sycamore Class**
- 3rd - Beech Class**



## **Battery Collection**

Thank you to the TBPS school community for supporting our Battery Collection initiative to save the environment for future generations.

We had a huge uptake, and as a result, we managed to save 45kg of batteries to being recycled safely so far.

Please see the link below to find out how these batteries are being recycled.  
Keep sending your used batteries to school to be recycled!

Happy recycling!

Eco Committee

[https://jointhepod.org/media/view/WASTEBUSTER\\_POD/CAMPAIGNS/R2RBAT/Recycle-to-Read\\_Battery-Process-Map.pdf](https://jointhepod.org/media/view/WASTEBUSTER_POD/CAMPAIGNS/R2RBAT/Recycle-to-Read_Battery-Process-Map.pdf)





# READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE



As you know, as a school, our three behaviour rules are READY, RESPECTFUL and SAFE.

Here is a helpful poster which parents/carers might like to use to check whether their child is following these rules at home.

Is your child READY, RESPECTFUL and SAFE at home?

## READY RESPECTFUL SAFE

### READY

- We look at the person who is speaking and give them our attention
- We are always ready to do our best to help at home

### RESPECTFUL

- We listen when others are talking
- We keep our voices at a respectable level
- We treat others how we want to be treated
- We use manners at all times

### SAFE

- We keep hands, feet and voices safe
- We move around our home in a safe manner
- We use our equipment at home correctly and safely
- We make good choices



## Cake Raffle



### CAKE RAFFLE

Last week the cake winners were

**Alfie** on the Lower Site and

**Ben** on the Upper Site



The cake raffle will be held once a month



**EASTER TREATS**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2025

**MAINS**  
 Beef Burger  
 Chilli No Carne  
 Jacket Potato & Beans

**SIDES**  
 Spring Vegetables  
 Seasonal Salad

**DESSERT**  
 Lemon Easter Cupcake

Order via ParentPay no later than  
 Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Please Note: Special diets will remain in place.

If you have previously made a booking, it is essential to note that any reservations made prior to this notice would have been cancelled when they updated the menu.

We, therefore, kindly ask you to revisit the booking process and rebook your child's Easter lunch.

Should you have any questions please contact the school office.



## Donations

We are currently in urgent need of trousers (boys & girls) in sizes 5/6 and 6/7, as well as socks. These items are intended for the lower site and are essential for our needs.

If you could spare/donate any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your support as always.





# 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:

[roy.ac/youngartists#RAYoungArtists](https://roy.ac/youngartists#RAYoungArtists)

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.

Submission is open until 5 March 2025

Good Luck!!



# NURTURE CLASS OF THE WEEK

## Juniper Class

We worked well with others.



We carried our penguins home.



### Nurture

We found out where people are from.



We composed music together.



We shared books with parents

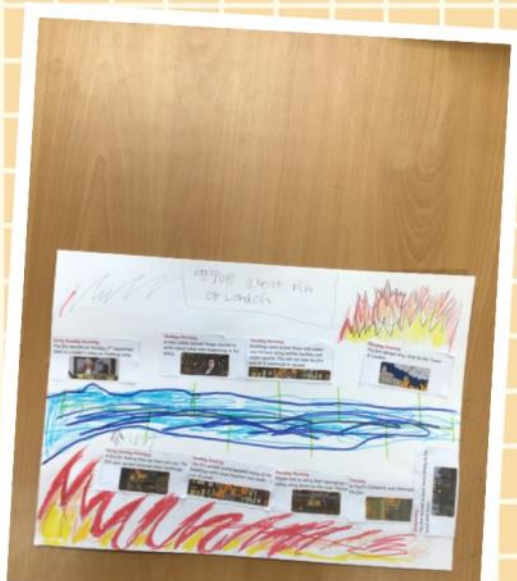


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# ENGAGE CLASS OF THE WEEK

## Elm Class

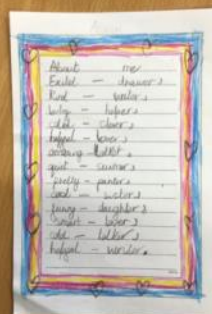
**Elm class have demonstrated engagement this week by:**



**Creating timelines to show the chronological order of which the great fire of London happened.**



**Writing the end of their story for Toby and the Great Fire of London.**



**Writing kenning poems about themselves.**



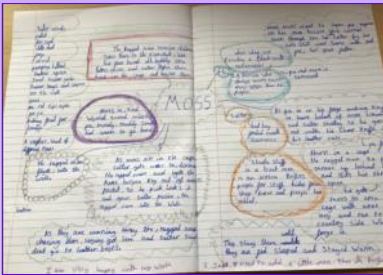
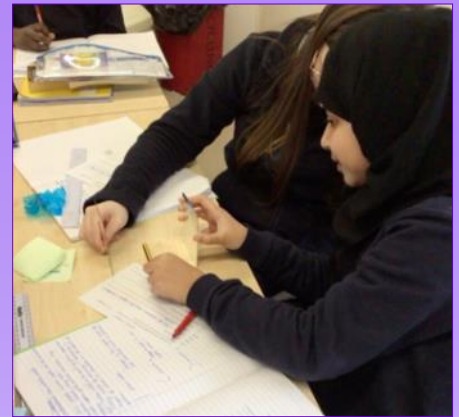
# ENGAGE CLASS OF THE WEEK

## Larch Class

Kaidee - I have engaged by helping the Year 4s read



Andreaa - I was engaged by listening in science when we were investigating mirrors.



Tanisha I have been engaged by trying to learn more interesting ways of punishment back in Tudor Times.



Amirah This week I engaged in English by planning my own chapter about "The Executioner's Daughter".



Darshana - I was engaged and careful when on the roads during Bikeability.



Lainey - I have been engaged by listening to Mrs Norfolk after we do something fun or exciting.

Riley - I've been engaging by doing Bikeability.





## Sport - Football



Our year 5/6 boys football team entered a Crawley Town FC local competition last Friday.

I am delighted to say that they reached the Final and just missed on first place to a talented OLQOH side.

The boys were brilliant all the way through, especially in our semi-final winning 3-0

well done boys!

## Sport - Cricket



On Thursday this week our Year 5/6 mixed cricket team continued our schools fantastic run in competitions by winning the Crawley Sussex Cricket competition out of 17 schools!

We won 3/3 group games before emphatic wins in the semi-final and final.

Congratulations to all players!



# Notices



**ENJOY A FAMILY SWIM THIS HALF-TERM HOLIDAY AT THE SANDMAN SIGNATURE GATWICK HOTEL**



**ORIEL HIGH SCHOOL**

**SWIMMING & CONTRIBUTING TO THE ORIEL STUDENTS 'STEM ON TRACK' KARTING PROJECT**

1 HOUR SWIM AND HOT DRINKS FROM JUST £15 PER BOOKING\*  
(SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY. SEE TERMS BELOW)

YOUR SWIM WILL BE HELPING THE STUDENTS EDUCATIONAL PROJECT  
AVAILABLE FROM SATURDAY 15TH FEB & EVERY DAY DURING THE HALF-TERM

8.00AM - 5.00PM

**TERMS:**

- £15 for a time slot of 1 hour for 1 Adult & 1 Child.
- £5 per additional person.
- Maximum of 4 Children to 1 Adult allowed.
- Includes Tea/Coffee/Hot Chocolate for Adults and Children, which are provided after your swim.
- Please bring your own Towels.
- Payment on arrival to the hotel.
- Complimentary parking.
- Please note that no lifeguards oversee the pool.
- Parents/Guardians are responsible for overseeing their children whilst swimming.



18-23 Tinsley Lane South, Three Bridges, Crawley, RH10 8XH

**BOOK YOUR TIME SLOT BY CONTACTING OUR RESERVATIONS TEAM**  
01293 561186 (Option 1. 9am-5pm)    res\_gatwick@sandmanhotels.co.uk



## Girls Development

The Girls Development Centre is our Girls football programme and pathway at Crawley Town Community Foundation. Over recent times we have developed strong relationships with many women's first teams which we can aim to feed our graduating U16 players into.

The goal of the programme is to help improve technical ability and knowledge through high quality sessions that are delivered as additional training alongside any other training your child may already attend.

We want to give players opportunities to grow and progress with us through the age groups, from U7s to U16s with the chance to represent Crawley Town in friendly fixtures against other clubs and organisations.

We can also complete player referrals for talented individuals to the England Girls youth pathways once aged U13 or over.

Would your daughter be interested in joining our Girl's Development Centre? Please scan the QR code below to register your interest or email [frankie.angel@crawleytownfc.com](mailto:frankie.angel@crawleytownfc.com)



**Scan me to register!**

If you have any questions or need any other extra info please contact us at [community@crawleytownfc.com](mailto:community@crawleytownfc.com) or call 01293 410000 ext.2.

## CALLING ALL BUDDING YOUNG DESIGNERS AND CONSTRUCTION MAD KIDS THIS HALF-TERM!

Design a house for the future & travel back in time with our new town gallery trail

**£3 per child**  
Accompanying adults free

Sat 15th Feb, Tues 18th Feb,  
Wed 19th Feb, Thurs 20th Feb  
& Fri 21st Feb 2025  
10.30 - 16.00

For more information visit  
[crawleymuseums.org](http://crawleymuseums.org)




**CRAWLEY MUSEUM** This project received funding from Ignite & IAA AHRC



Borde Hill



### Kids Half Term Trail 'Wilbur's Wild Welly Walk'

Saturday 15th February to Sunday 23rd March 10am-5pm

Grab your boots, splash through puddles and let your inner wild animal roar on an interactive trail around the Garden.

Kids of all ages can test their agility by striking some fun yoga poses to stretch both mind and body. Along the way hunt for hidden wellies with a prize waiting at the end of the adventure! It's the perfect way to stay active, have fun, and embrace the magic of winter!

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

BORDEHILL.CO.UK 01444 450326 WEST SUSSEX, RH16 1XP

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUB SPRING TERM '25 BOOK NOW



FUN, EXERCISE, FRESH AIR & DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES EVERY WEEK

NEW ACTIVITIES FOR THIS TERM INCLUDE:

- DINO DAY & TREASURE MAPS
  - APACHE FIRELIGHTING & SHELTER MAKING
  - POKEMON CARD MAKING & STACK ATTACK
  - PHARAOH'S REVENGE & EGYPTIANS
  - PLOP TRUMPS & WILD CATS
  - NERF: BATTLEMENT & MISSION IMPOSSIBLE
  - MAKE A BASKET & FOREST PHOTO FRAME
  - MOLKKY & CAMPFIRE MARSHMALLOWS
- THE KEY INGREDIENT: LOTS OF FUN!**



**THREE BRIDGES  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
 MONDAYS 3:10 - 4:20PM YEARS 1-6  
 (COLLECTION FROM UPPER SITE)  
 13TH JANUARY - 24TH MARCH 2024  
 TOTAL COST: £40 / 5 WEEKS REMAINING



MORE INFO & BOOK: [WWW.THEOUTDOORSPROJECT.CO.UK](http://WWW.THEOUTDOORSPROJECT.CO.UK)  
HOLIDAY CLUBS - BIRTHDAY PARTIES - SCHOOL WORKSHOPS - AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS - SAILINGS PARENT & TODDLER GROUP  
OFSTED REGISTERED & CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

### West Sussex Music

My name is Rebecca and I am the 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 mornings during school time for those in KS2.

Group lessons cost £9.50 per session, with Individual lessons starting from £15.60.

It's easy to apply, simply visit

<https://www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/make-music/music-lessons/>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on [rebecca.redfern@westsussexmusic.co.uk!](mailto:rebecca.redfern@westsussexmusic.co.uk)





## Dates for your diary

### February 2025

Mon 24th - Fri 28th      Termly Learning Conferences KS1 (lower site)

### March 2025

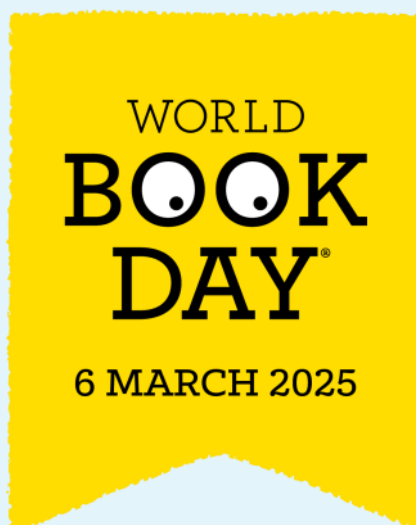
Mon 3rd - Fri 7th      Termly Learning Conferences KS2 (upper site)  
Mon 3rd      Friends meeting @ Upper site 9am. Silver Coin challenge this week!  
Wed 5th      Phonics Workshop for parents (Y1) - 2.15pm  
Thurs 6th      WORLD BOOK DAY - more details to follow.  
Year 5/6 girls football @ Broadfield 3G pitch 1.30pm - 4pm  
Mon 10th      SEND parent/carer forum @ upper site 2-3pm  
Mastering number parent workshop @ lower site 2.30pm  
Thurs 13th      Year 3 and 4 Badminton Festival @ K2 1.30pm - 4pm  
Mon 17th      Year 4 Science Dome visit  
Mon 24th      Year 3 and 4 Tennis @ Crawley Tennis Club 12.30pm - 4pm

### July 2025

Fri 4th      Sports Day  
Fri 11th      Reserve Sports Day

### INSET Days 2024/2025:

Tuesday 22nd April 2025  
Friday 23rd May 2025.



# Brownings Farm Dates

Year 5	Sycamore	18th March	25th March	1st April
Year 5	Cedar	19th March	26th March	2nd April
Year 5	Cypress	20th March	27th March	3rd April

Year 1	Chestnut	29th April	6th May	13th May
Year 1	Juniper	30th April	7th May	14th May
Year 1	Silver Birch	1st May	8th May	15th May

Year 2	Elm	20th May	4th June	
Year 2	Holly	21st May	10th June	
Year 2	Pine	5th June	11th June	

Reception	Apple	17th June	24th June	1st July
Reception	Cherry	18th June	25th June	2nd July
Reception	Mulberry	19th June	26th June	3rd July



**Learn Enjoy Achieve Respect Nurture Engage & Resilience**