



November Newsletter Autumn Term 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our November newsletter, a bumper-packed edition full of highlights and helpful information for you all! It's a great opportunity to celebrate all the brilliant experiences the children have had during October.

Diwali

As part of our Religious Education, assemblies were held on both sites to celebrate Diwali. Some of our Hindi children lead the celebration; well done to the children who took part!



Mr Dilly's Workshops!



We have found a brilliant presenter, Mr Dilly, who puts on interactive workshops to support all of our topics. Year 3 learnt all about the Stone Age; the children got to dress up and act alongside Mr Dilly.

Year 5 are currently learning about the Mayan era and Mr Dilly brought this to life in his lively and exciting workshop; the children loved it!



Year 6 were also treated to a Crime and Punishment workshop just before half term. The children were very engaged when I popped in. One of the children told me it was a bit gross but really interesting!

Diverse Crawley

At Three Bridges, we are very privileged to have such a diverse school community and we are continually looking for ways to celebrate this. We have a wide range



of books and resources around school to reflect our community. We have Young Interpreters who support children who are new to our school and may not be able to speak English yet. We were delighted to welcome Diverse Crawley to join us for assembly recently. The team do a lot of brilliant work around Crawley and we are grateful to Mrs Golding for organising this for the children.



DLD Awareness Day



The children dressed up in purple to celebrate DLD Awareness Day. 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 theme was 'You can't see DLD' and the children spent time talking about how it can affect people and how to support them.

Thank you for all your support this term so far. I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible next Friday 14th November for our first Parent/Carer forum of the school year!

Warm regards
Trudy Emberson
Headteacher

Blue Team - 813

Red Team - 764

Yellow Team - 840

Green team - 753



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Attendance Matters



Good attendance has a positive impact upon children's learning

Every Day Counts

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much but...

If your child misses...	That is equal to...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that is...
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years of learning
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years of learning
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning

Every Minute Counts

Just a little late doesn't seem much but...

If your child misses...	That is equal to...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that is...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly HALF A YEAR!
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 minutes per week	Nearly 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1 YEAR!
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 AND A HALF YEARS
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Nearly 2 AND A HALF YEARS



Harvest Festival



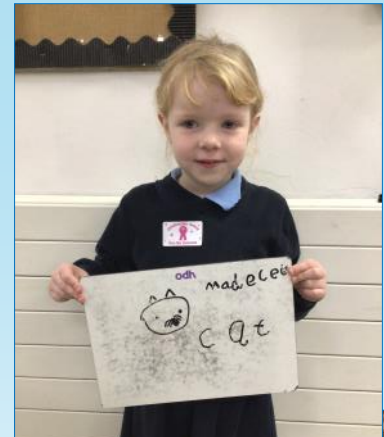
Thank you to everyone who generously donated to our recent Harvest Festival.

The donations received have been sent to the Freeshop, who provide food and essentials for families in need.

We have a wonderful community and it is heartwarming to see such generosity; we know how challenging things are for everyone at the moment.

Thank you once again for your kindness and support.

Headteacher Awards





Celebrating EYFS!



Our Nursery and Reception children have settled in brilliantly this term!

Pear Class visited Tilgate Park. Mr Stockton and I popped over to see the children enjoying a story then a special visit to see the meerkats!

The children were so well behaved and they were so interested in finding out about how the team at Tilgate Park Zoo look after their animals. We would highly recommend a visit!



Reception has slightly smaller classes than usual so we are making the most of this.

The children are already making great progress in phonics, maths and writing.

The children are also making the most of our amazing outside space; including visiting forest school!

What a brilliant foundation for the children's learning!

Well done to my amazing EYFS team!



This week at Forest School, the children had a wonderful time exploring nature! On the way, we helped a bumblebee in need. Once there, the children built bug apartments to prepare for winter and made hedgehogs from pinecones. They also built new shelters and improved the old ones.

The rainy weather made for perfect puddle jumping and muddy fun!

Thanks to the mild November temperatures, we even spotted a few butterflies still enjoying the sunshine.







N - Notice Small Things
O - Offer Kindness
V - Value Quiet Time
E - Enjoy Each Day
M - Make Time to Rest
B - Breathe Deeply
E - Embrace Change
R - Relax and Let Go

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Butterflies and Moths to see in October

		
Speckled Wood	Brimstone moth	Comma
		
Frosted Orange	Peacock	Angle Shades
		
Red Admiral	Light Emerald	Wall





Three Bridges Primary School

Reception Open Day

If your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, they will be starting reception in primary school from **September 2026**.

You can start applying for a school place from Monday 6th October 2025 when the applications open. The application process closes on 15th January 2026. The national offer day is 16th April 2026.

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

DATE:

TIME:

19th November 2025

from 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm

9th January 2026

from 9.30 am - 10.30 am



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

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FREE SHOP

A PATHWAY OUT OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP



DID YOU KNOW?  THE FREESHOP OFFER INCLUDES...

COMMUNITY CAFE
Our free community cafe is open to everyone, whether you are one of our customers or not. There is delicious food and drink, community and friendship. We invite other agencies to this so that if you need help it is all at your finger tips.

FORM FILLING CLINICS
We understand how hard it is to navigate the world of forms whether that be CVs or benefits. Just let us know what you need help with and we will do our best to get the right person to help you.

BESPOKE WORKSHOPS
As we get to know our customers, different needs arise and if we can't signpost you, we will do our best to offer solutions with our own bespoke workshops.

STILL METHOD
Anxiety impacts your everyday life, the STILL Method programme uses a step-by-step approach to help understand and manage anxiety, improve low self-esteem and gain resilience.

CLANGERS WELLBEING
Look after your wellbeing in our CLANGERS groups. CLANGERS is a series of weekly sessions exploring simple activities that will help to keep you and your family happy and healthy.

FREE Language Cafes in Crawley

Come along and learn English, make friends and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee!

Address: Broadfield Community Centre, RH11 9BA

Every Thursday from 12:45pm to 3:15pm



Want to find out more?

www.advicewestsussex.org.uk

If you have questions, you can email us at: community.engagement@westsussexcab.org.uk



citizens advice

in West Sussex North South East

www.advicewestsussex.org.uk

Fireworks Safety for pets



Keep your pets secured INSIDE your home. Even dogs in fenced yards find ways to escape the scary sounds.

Give them a safe place to hide. Set up a comfortable room or crate in your house just for them.

Use ambient noise to mask the noise. A radio or TV playing comforting music works well.

Update their IDs & microchips (just in case).

Skip the celebration and stay home with them. Sometimes your presence makes all the difference.

Keep them busy. Treat toys, like Kongs, can help distract them during the display.

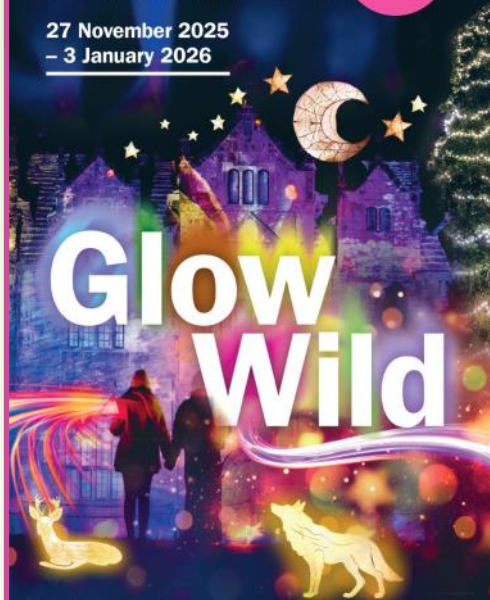


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The magical winter lantern trail

Under 4s go free!

27 November 2025 – 3 January 2026



Glow Wild

Wakehurst

Millennium Seed Bank 25th Anniversary

Flexi tickets and group discounts available

Kew

Glow Wild

As darkness falls, let the magic begin...

Sussex's award-winning Christmas light trail sparkles with seasonal surprises, featuring exclusive installations, handcrafted lanterns, and immersive moments, with new experiences that promise even more festive fun than ever before!

Glow Wild invites you to walk on the wild side and explore an illuminated wonderland, where seeds spark stories and the wild glows after dark – all exclusively handcrafted by leading artists. Encounter fantastical animals, walk among giants, and uncover the hidden secrets of our natural world. Don't miss the iconic Christmas tree, giant mythical sea creature, and our biggest-ever installation!

Unsure of plans? Book today and swap dates up to 7 days before you visit!

Sessions to suit you

Whoever your loved ones are, Glow Wild offers the perfect night for all, with early evening slots to suit little ones, Quiet and Relaxed sessions for those with additional needs, and exclusive over-18 evenings.

Pre-book now for this sell-out Christmas event.

Seasonal savings

- Off-peak, standard and peak options
- Under 4s and essential companions go free
- Group and family discounts
- Child pricing
- Exclusive member rate



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[wakehurst_kew](https://www.instagram.com/wakehurst_kew)



Notices



Reaching Families

Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person who has, or may have, special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex?



EMPOWER INFORM SUPPORT

Reaching Families is a parent-carer led charity which aims to empower parent-carers and families of children & young people with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex through the delivery of information, training and peer support.

Making Sense of it All

In-depth parent-carer guide covering SEND issues from birth to adulthood

Fact sheets

Covering a range of SEND issues localised to the needs of West Sussex families

Umbrellas

Parent support groups based at locations across West Sussex and online, via Zoom

Benefits Advice Service

1-2-1 advice & claim checking support for families applying for DLA, PIP & Carers Allowance

Training

Workshops and courses on a variety of issues delivered online, via Zoom

NDP Navigation Service

Support service for parent-carers of children undergoing assessment on the West Sussex Neurodevelopmental Pathway (via referral from a professional)

Face-2-Face

Peer based befriending for parents of children undergoing diagnosis

Facebook Group

An online parent support group providing news, information and peer support

If you would like more information about how Reaching Families can help, please contact:

Email: admin@reachingfamilies.org.uk
Telephone: 01903 366 360

Reg Charity No 1150906



www.reachingfamilies.org.uk

PRODUCTIONS
YOUTH THEATRE GROUP
01767 681 049

OPEN AUDITIONS

Annie

Book by THOMAS MEEHAN Music by CHARLES STROUSE Lyrics by MARTIN CHARNIN

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.co.uk

WEDNESDAY 12th NOVEMBER

CHEQUER MEAD THEATRE
EAST GRINSTEAD, RH19 3BS

5.00pm-6.00pm 7-12yrs old
6.00pm-7.00pm 13-21yrs old

SATURDAY 15th NOVEMBER

CHEQUER MEAD THEATRE
EAST GRINSTEAD, RH19 3BS

2.00pm-3.30pm 7-12yrs old
3.30pm-5.00pm 13-21yrs old

You only need to attend one audition
All auditionees must be 8 years old by the time of the show



TO BE PERFORMED AT CHEQUER MEAD THEATRE 19TH-21ST MARCH 2026

NOTHING TO PREPARE
JUST ARRIVE, BOOK IN AND AUDITION

A show fee is payable by all successful applicants



Santa's Grotto & Christmas Kids Trail

29th November - 21st December

Experience the magic of Christmas at Borde Hill. Visit Santa in his grotto, or explore the Garden on a daily festive kids trail.

Grotto (weekends only plus preschool sessions on Fri 5th & 12th Dec)
£19 - booking required. Trail: £4.50, plus admission.

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

ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE

With the support of



This ANTI-BULLYING WEEK we are holding

ODD SOCKS DAY on
MONDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2025



Come to school wearing your odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique!

If you're worried about bullying you can speak to ...

a trusted adult

#OddSocksDay
#AntiBullyingWeek
#PowerForGood



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POWER FOR GOOD

Andy and the Oddsocks



Notices



SUMMIT TENNIS CRAWLEY PARKS



Walking to 6 yrs



5.5 yrs to 9 yrs



8.5 yrs to 13.5 yrs



Tennis for all



Free trial sessions!
Beginners welcome
www.summit-tennis.com



Play tennis at Crawley Parks Tennis this autumn

Exclusive
offer for you

This autumn, why not hit the courts at
Maidenbower, Southgate, and West
Green Park? It's the perfect way to stay
active and have fun!

An annual household season ticket covering
all courts costs Crawley residents just £48.20
for the year per household. A household season
ticket covers up to five people and can be used for
a maximum of five hours of tennis per week and a
maximum of two hours of tennis per day. – That's
just 19p a game!

Or Pay and Play sessions on our award winning
courts – cost from just £4. An additional fee of
£2.10 for members or £4.30 for non-members will
be payable for the use of floodlights at West
Green Park.

Where to play

Here are the Crawley Parks Tennis venues
where you can play:

- Maidenbower Park**
Maidenbower Drive, Crawley RH10 7HG
- Southgate Park**
Southgate Avenue, Crawley RH10 6HG
- West Green Park**
[field Avenue, West Green, Crawley RH11 7A]

Fancy Joining Crawley Parks Tennis?

We've got an exclusive
treat for you—£5 off
your annual seasonal
membership at Crawley Parks Tennis!

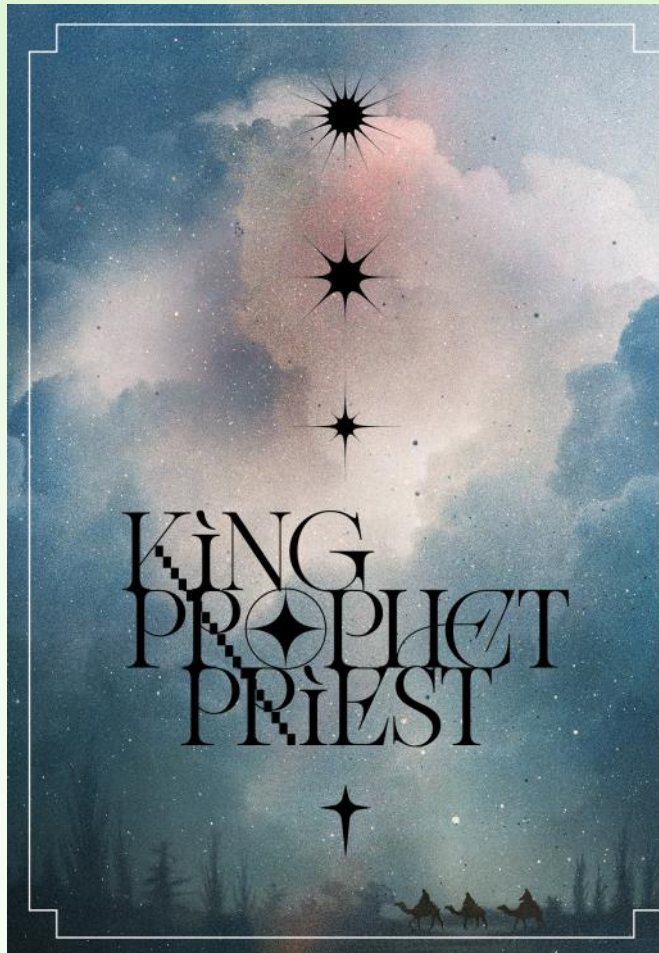
To activate this offer— Please email
parks.tennis@crawley.gov.uk quoting
SCHOOLOFFER. We will then be in touch with a
link to set up your discounted annual seasonal
membership. For more information on the Crawley
Parks tennis see: clubspark.lta.org.uk/Crawley

Free tennis programmes

Free, social tennis sessions. You can sign up to
a session at **West Green Park** – no matter your
age, background or ability – and play tennis for
free on select Saturdays at 11am.

- any child can attend Free Park Tennis
- under 12 need to be accompanied throughout
the session by an adult
- 13+ can come on their own but should be
picked up and dropped off by an adult

See: clubspark.lta.org.uk/westgreen/coaching



St Richard's Christmas Quiz

11th December

7pm

Traditional Carols

13th December

4pm

Kickstart Christmas Party

15th December

3:30pm

Family Carols

21st December

11am

Christingle

24th December

4pm

Midnight Mass

24th December

11pm

Christmas Day Eucharist

9:30am

churchcrawley.com/christmas

St Richard's Church, 1 Crossways, Three Bridges, Crawley RH10 1QF





It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!!



Christmas Lunch

Serving on Wednesday 17th December

MAINS

Roast Turkey
Or
Quorn Roast

SIDES

Roast Potatoes, Stuffing,
Mini Sausage, Gravy,
Broccoli & Carrots

DESSERTS

Festive Chocolate Brownie

Order on ParentPay.com no later than
Thursday 4th December.
Book in advance to avoid disappointment



www.ParentPay.com

Chartwells

<https://www.chartwells.co.uk/west-sussex/>



Dates for your diary



November 2025

Week of 10th	Anti-Bullying week. National Recycling week National nursery rhyme week in EYFS;
Tues 11th	Remembrance Day
Wed 12th	Year 3 & 4 Hockey tournament @ 1pm.
Thurs 13th	Thoughtful workshop for parents; Fears and worries @ 1.45pm Y4 Reading & writing parent workshop @ 2.30pm.
Fri 14th	EYFS phonics meeting @ 1.30pm. Stay and Learn (EYFS) @ 2pm Children in Need—Be Spotacular. Parent/carer forum @ 9am Upper site EYFS phonics meeting @ 1.30pm. Stay and Learn (EYFS) @ 2pm
Mon 17th	Lighthouse Assembly Upper Site @9am Road Safety assembly—Lower site @ 1.15pm Upper Site @ 2.15pm
Wed 19th	Individual photos
Thurs 20th	Sibling photos. Year 5 and 6 Netball tournament—TBCC @ 1pm
Fri 21st	Flu spray-Upper site am, lower site pm Y5 Reading & writing parent workshop @ 2.30pm
Mon 24th	Lighthouse Assembly @9am Lower site. Aspire girls football league @ ICC from 1pm
Tue 25th	Y6 Reading & writing parent workshop @ 2.30pm
Fri 28th	Aspire Boys Football League @ ICC from 1pm

December 2025

Mon 1st	Inclusive Football Event Year 5/6 - TBCC from 3.30pm
Wed 3rd	Termly Learning Conferences—Apple, Cherry and Mulberry Classes
Thurs 4th	Termly Learning Conferences—Pear Class. Crawley FC Cup from 2pm
Mon 8th - 11th	Bikability - Year 6 Christmas performance, Apple Class @ 2pm . Year 5 to Wakehurst Place. Aspire Girls Football League - ICC @ from 3.30pm
Tues 9th	Christmas performances - Cherry @ 9am Christmas performance Pear @ 11am & 2.30pm
Wed 10th	KS1 Christmas performance @ 9.15am and 2pm. Year 3 to Wakehurst Place.
Thurs 11th	KS1 Christmas performance @ 9.15am. Mulberry Class Christmas performance @ 2pm
Fri 12th	Aspire Boys Football League - ICC from 3.30pm
Tues 16th	Friends' Christmas Disco from 3.30pm—5.30pm
Wed 17th	Christmas lunch and party afternoon. Friends' Christmas Disco from 3.30pm—5.30pm
Thurs 18th	Choir—charity concert Maidenbower from 12pm—2pm Christmas Carols—Y3/4 @ 9.15am and Year 5/6 @ 2.30pm. Last day of term
Fri 19th	INSET day—school is closed

January 2026

Wed 7th	Mr Dilly's Ancient Greek workshop with Year 4
Mon 12th	Rainbow Theatre—Great Fire of London

INSET DAYS:

Friday 19th December 2025



Brownings Farm Dates



Year 1	Chestnut	2nd March	11th March	23rd March
Year 1	Juniper	4th March	16th March	25th March
Year 1	Silver Birch	9th March	18th March	26th March

Reception	Apple	18th May	3rd June	8th June
Reception	Cherry	20th May	4th June	10th June
Reception	Mulberry	21st May	5th June	11th June

Year 5	Cedar	20th April	30th April	11th May
Year 5	Cypress	22nd April	6th May	13th May
Year 5	Sycamore	29th April	7th May	14th May

Year 6	Yew	15th June	22nd June	29th June
Year 6	Larch	18th June	23rd June	30th June
Year 6	Ash	19th June	25th June	2nd July



Year 6 - Swimming Dates

Swimming Lessons - every Thursday

Ash Class

11/09/2025 to 12/12/2025

Larch Class

05/01/2026 to 27/03/2026

Yew Class

13/04/2026 to 17/07/2026