



Final Newsletter! Summer Term 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Here is the final summer newsletter to celebrate another spectacular year at Three Bridges Primary school. The time has flown by but so many amazing memories have been made. This school is truly like an extraordinary family and we are so grateful for all your support for our school. We are already planning for next year, please see the two dates for your diary pages at the end of the newsletter.

As the school year draws to a close, I would like to say a huge **thank you:**

- ☼ To the staff who have worked so incredibly hard for the children this year, to ensure they have made the best possible progress and to the staff behind the scenes who work tirelessly to make sure things run smoothly and safely
- ☼ To all of the parents/carers who have volunteered with reading or on school trips, donated money or equipment, provided a costume for their child, supported the Friends events this year, spent time with their child on home learning tasks, attended the Termly Learning conference with their child, gave feedback on our surveys or improved their child's attendance.
- ☼ To the children who have worked so hard to improve their learning, taken part in sporting events, helped someone who was struggling in school or raised money for charity or helped at the Summer Fair.
- ☼ To Tesco Superstore and Tesco Express, Haslett Avenue for donating bottles of water for our sports mornings
- ☼ To the parents who have been donating equipment and materials to Forest School.
- ☼ To our governors for their support for the school, for representing the school recently in writing to WSCC to help with our building and being a critical friend to help support the school's improvement journey
- ☼ To St Richard's church for opening their doors to Year 2 and 4 to help the children understand Christian values at Christmas and Easter (we are still looking for links with different faith leaders)
- ☼ To Farmer John for opening up Brownings Farm just for Three Bridges children to visit every year
- ☼ To Zoe's Florist for our beautiful floral displays in the offices
- ☼ To Hazelwick's Sports Leaders for supporting our Sports mornings, and for the invitation to Year 5 children to see their end of year show
- ☼ To our lovely catering staff who have made sure that all of the children have a hot meal every day
- ☼ To Peter, our friendly Crossing Patrol, who has been out in all weathers to help us all cross the road safely
- ☼ To our Year 6 children who have inspired and delighted us all, some for the past 8 years, we wish them every success at secondary school.
- ☼ To our School Councillors, Ambassadors, Faith Ambassadors, Autism Ambassadors and Eco team, for working so hard to improve our school and supporting each other.
- ☼ To anyone else I may have forgotten, thank you for being part of this wonderful community and making our school so special.

Staffing update

We say goodbye today to Miss Stringfellow and Mr Millwood today. They have both contributed so much to Three Bridges during their time with us and I know that the children and staff will miss them both. I would like to wish them both every success in their future careers; they are destined for great things!

We say farewell to Miss Azam, Mrs Pandey and Miss Jathu who are leaving our support staff team. I wish them all every success in the future. Thank you all for being part of the Three Bridges family.

Lunch arrangements for September

Please do look out for updates about the new catering arrangements for September. A lot of information has been sent out this week about the changes to Free School Meals so please check whether your child is eligible before September as they may need to bring a packed lunch.

If I don't see you at the picnic this afternoon, please take care and have a wonderful summer everyone. Please encourage your child to stay safe online. We look forward to seeing you all on **Wednesday 2nd September!**

Mrs Emberson, Headteacher

1st
Yellow Team - 2537

2nd
Blue Team - 2416

3rd
Red Team - 2229

4th
Green Team - 2013



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Celebrations



BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR

Huge congratulations go to

Pine Class with **92.54%**

&

Sycamore Class with **96.35%**



Super job!!

BEST TEAM ATTENDANCE OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR

Huge congratulations go to

Yellow Team with **97.69%**



Year Group Attendance so far...

Year 1	90.66%
Year 2	92.25%
Year 3	94.47%
Year 4	94.02%
Year 5	95.23%
Year 6	93.81%
Reception	88.51%
Nursery AM	85.09%
Nursery PM	87.69%



Friends of Three Bridges Primary School

We are delighted to share that we raised **£943.50** at this year's Summer Fair!

A huge **thank you** to everyone who donated, gave their time to help, and came along to support the event. Your generosity and support made it a wonderful day, and we couldn't have done it without you.



Safeguarding update



Here is our monthly safeguarding update—please read!

Safeguarding Update: Child-to-Parent Aggression

Sometimes children can become very angry and hurt the adults who care for them by shouting, threatening, damaging things, or even hurting them. This is called **Child-to-Parent Aggression (CAPA)**. Many families find it difficult to talk about this because they may feel embarrassed or worried about what people will think. As a result, lots of families do not ask for help. Children who are struggling at home may show signs in school. They might find it hard to manage their emotions, attend regularly, or get on with others.

There are organisations that help families who need support. One of these is **Capa First Response**, which supports children and parents/carers. Here is the link <https://capafirstresponse.org/>

Please remember: If a child or family is having a difficult time, it is important that they know they are not alone and that help is available.

NCA Guidance to Parents: Children's Images Online

In line with the guidance to schools, the National Crime Agency and the Internet Watch Foundation have now issued guidance for parents.

AI is being used to turn ordinary photos of children into sexual abuse material. The National Crime Agency and Internet Watch Foundation have issued new guidance to help parents make informed choices about sharing images of their children online. It covers reviewing privacy settings, revisiting consent with your child as they grow, and what to do if you're worried.

The parent's guidance can be found here: <https://www.iwf.org.uk/resources/ai-child-abuse-imagery-parent-guide/>



ND NAVIGATION SERVICE



Reaching Families have been commissioned by NHS Sussex to pilot and develop a new support service for parent-carers of children undergoing assessment on the West Sussex Neurodevelopmental Pathway. Our new service is now available to parent-carers via referral from a professional working with their child

[Reaching Families ND Navigation Service](#)



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Poplar class were keen to share photos of their class busily working. Look at those smiling faces! It has certainly been a busy time in Year 4!





Sports Mornings 2026



Thank you for coming to cheer your child on at our Sports Mornings. It went very smoothly thanks to the excellent organisation by Mr Wells, Mrs Britland and Mr Spackman and special thanks to Sports crew from Hazelwick, who were so helpful last Friday.

The results were as follows:

1st YELLOW

2nd BLUE

3rd RED

4th GREEN

Yellow team were the overall winners this term and they also had the best attendance! Which team will be the winner next year?



Sports



What a fantastic year we've had for sport at our school!

Our amazing children have been busy representing the school at a range of exciting sporting events. From the girls and boys basketball competitions to the Year 1 and 2 mixed basketball festival, every child gave their all, showing fantastic teamwork, determination and encouragement for one another.

We were also thrilled to take part in the **inaugural Active Sussex Sports Festival**, where our children enjoyed trying new activities, developing their skills and making wonderful memories alongside children from other schools.

There were smiles all around as everyone embraced the challenges with enthusiasm and confidence.

Whether scoring baskets, cheering on teammates or giving their best effort, every child represented our school with pride.

We are incredibly proud of their positive attitudes, resilience and excellent sportsmanship.

A huge well done to all of our sporting stars – you are amazing!



We are now welcoming applications for children born between
1st September 2022 – 31st August 2023

Session Times

- **Morning (AM):** 8:30am – 11:30am
- **Afternoon (PM):** 12:10pm – 3:10pm

Our setting offers a warm, nurturing environment where children can learn, play, and grow with confidence.

Watch this space for more details about our **30 hour offer** from January 2027.

If you are interested, or you know someone who might be, please contact the school office on the lower site on:

01293 524076 option 1





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Dancing Through Crawley

Dance is Taking Over Crawley This Summer

From giant dancing insects and international performers, to exciting outdoor shows and a visit from the world-famous Matthew Bourne's New Adventures, this summer is packed with opportunities to experience extraordinary dance right here in Crawley - and best of all, it's completely free!

Creative Crawley is bringing an exciting programme of performances to some of the town's most familiar spaces, including **County Mall, Crawley Library, the Memorial Gardens** and even local playing fields and schools. Whether you're a lifelong dance lover or simply curious to discover something new, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

For more information see link below:

<https://creativecrawley.com/>





Dates for your diary—Autumn term 2026



September 2026

1.9.26	INSET day—school closed for children
2.9.26	Back to school
8.9.26	International Literacy Day & National Coding week begins
14.9.26	BookBus visit Pear class
15.9.26	Mr Dilly Y6 crime and punishment workshop
17.9.26	Junior Citizen - 12.30pm Year 6
16.9.26	National Fitness day
19.9.26	International Astronomy Day
22.9.26	Pear visit to Tilgate
26.9.26	International Day of Languages

October 2026

1.10.26	Black History Month begins
2.10.26	National Poetry Day & Space Week begins
6.10.26	Year 3 Roundhouse workshop
9.10.26	Hello Yellow! Mental Health day—wear something yellow
12.10.26	Termly Learning Conferences – KS1
14.10.26	6 weeks in meeting @ 2pm for new Reception parents
16.10.26	Developmental Language Disorder day—wear something purple
19.10.26	Termly Learning Conferences – Year 3-, 4 and 5 & PGL week Year 6
20.10.26	Diwali

Half Term—26/10/2026 - 30/10/2026

November 2026

2.11.26	Termly Learning Conferences—Year 6
	Flu Spray 9am - Upper site, after 12pm - Lower site
5.11.26	Open morning for new parents
5.11.26	Guy Fawkes
11.11.26	Remembrance Day
13.11.26	Children in Need—wear spots & Anti-Bullying week
	National Recycling week & Geography Awareness week
17.11.26	Open morning for new parents
18.11.26	Individual Photographs
19.11.26	Sibling Photographs
23.11.26	Stay & Learn – EYFS & Computer Science week

December 2026

3.12.27	Year 1 Nativity @ 9.15am and 2pm
4.12.27	Year 2 Nativity @ 9.15am and 2pm
7.12.26	Apple Christmas performance @ 2pm
8.12.26	Cherry Christmas performance @ 2pm
9.12.26	Pear Christmas performance—11am and 2pm
10.12.26	Christmas jumper Day
11.12.26	Staff Panto!
13.12.26	TBPS has got talent!
15.12.26	Christmas lunch and party afternoon
17.12.26	KS2 Christmas Singalong—Y3/4 @ 1.30pm & Y5/6 @ 2.30pm
18.12.26	INSET day—school closed for children

Back to school on Monday 4th January...see the next page for more dates!



Dates for your diary—Spring and Summer 2027



In a recent survey, parents/carers asked for dates in advance so here are the key dates for the rest of the year. These will be updated monthly and added to the Class Dojo calendar, for your information.

January 2027

4.1.27	Back to school!
7.1.27	Open morning for new parents
22.1.27	Stay & Learn*

February 2027

1.2.27—5.2.27	KS1 Termly Learning conferences
8.2.27—12.2.27	KS2 Termly Learning conferences
9.2.27	Silver Coin Challenge
	15.2.27—19.2.27 Half Term
26.2.27	Stay & Learn*

March 2027

1.3.27—5.3.27	EYFS Termly Learning conferences
4.3.27	World Book Day
5.3.27	Mothers' Day shop
9.2.27	Let's Dance at the Hawth
22.3.27	Downs Syndrome Awareness Day—Lots of socks!
25.3.27	TBPS has got talent!
	26.3.27—13.4.27 Easter Holidays

April 2027

23.4.27	Stay & Learn*
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May 2027

3.5.27	Bank Holiday—school closed
9.5.27—13.5.27	Year 6 test week
28.5.27	Stay & Learn*
	31.5.27—4.6.27 Half Term

June 2027

7.6.27—18.6.27	Year 4 Multiplication check
14.1.27—25.6.27	Year 1 Phonics screening check
18.6.27	Fathers' Day shop
24.6.27	Sports Morning lower site
25.6.27	Sports Morning upper site

July 2027

1.7.27	Reserve Sports morning
2.7.27	Reserve Sports morning
9.7.27	Stay & Learn. Summer Fair
12.7.27	End of Year Reports. Year 6 leavers' party
14.7.27	Year 6 performance to parents/carers @ 9.15am and 4.30pm
15.7.27	TBPS has got Talent!
16.7.27	Year 6 Leavers' assembly. Family picnic @ 12:45. End of school year.

19.7.27-21.7.27 INSET days—school closed to children

Stay and Learn*—subject themes to be confirmed



Brownings Farm



Year 2	Pine Class	21st September	28th September	
Year 2	Elm Class	23rd September	30th September	
Year 2	Holly Class	24th September	1st October	

Year 5	Sycamore Class	4th March	15th March	22nd March
Year 5	Cedar Class	8th March	17th March	24th March
Year 5	Cypress Class	10th March	18th March	25th March

Year 1	Silver Birch	12th April	21st April	
Year 1	Chestnut	14th April	22nd April	
Year 1	Juniper	15th April	26th April	

Year R	Apple	28th April	5th May	10th May
Year R	Cherry	29th April	6th May	12th May

Year 6	Ash	17th May	26th May	9th June
Year 6	Larch	19th May	27th May	10th June
Year 6	Yew	24th May	7th June	14th June

Year 6 - Swimming Dates 2026-2027

Swimming Lessons - every Thursday

Ash - Autumn Term

Larch - Spring Term

Yew - Summer Term

Parents/carers will receive a letter in advance, explaining arrangements and confirming dates

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