



BROADWATER
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe we are in May already!

I have really enjoyed seeing all the wonderful learning that has been taking place and seeing the progress in children's knowledge and skills in so many areas. From Hen and Duck class telling me all they have learned about eggs and hatching birds to year 2 stories about the snail and the Whale, right the way up to year 6 explaining their understanding of the different habitats found up on Highdown Hill.

As the summer weather arrives (albeit slowly) we have an increased number of sporting events across the term, culminating in our sports days. We are very lucky to have such an active locality groups of schools to allow so many of our children the chance to attend such a variety of sporting events.

We look forward to an exciting summer term and hope you all enjoy the May bank holiday weekend.

God Bless,

Mr Morrissey

(To keep up with all of the news please see the school website.)

May

Fri 3rd May –Y2 Puffin Class-led Assembly for parents (9.00am)

Fri 10th May –Y4 Toucan Class-led Assembly for parents (9.00am)

Mon 13-Thurs 16 May –Y6 SATs Week

Tues 21st May –Y6 Trip to Paultons Park

Weds 22nd May –Y5 Heron Class Trip to Ford Recycling Centre

Thurs 23rd May –Y5 Kingfisher Class Trip to Ford Recycling Centre

Thurs 23rd May – Whole School CLASS PHOTOS

27-31 May – HALF TERM BREAK

June

Tues 4th June –Y2 Trip to Sea Life Centre, Brighton

Fri 7th June –Y1 Robin Class-led Assembly for parents (9.00am)

Weds 12th June –YR Farms Trip (Coombes & Lancing College)

Thurs 13th June – Y2 Legacy Games (Durrington Junior School) 11.45am

Fri 14th June –Y3 Trip to Butser Ancient Farm

Fri 21st June –YR Hen Class-led Assembly for parents (9.00am)

Weds 19-Fri 21 June –Y6 Lodgehill Residential Trip

Mon 24th June –Y5 Girls (optional) Taster Day @ Davison High Sch

Tues 25th June –Y1 Trip to Arundel Wetlands Trust

Tues 25th June –Y4 Violin Concert to Parents (2.45pm)

Thurs 27th June –Y5 Taster morning at Worthing High (optional)

Fri 28th June –Y2 Trip to Worthing Seafront

Activities that have been taking place....

YEAR R

What an egg-citing week we have had in Duck and Hen class, with the arrival of our new classmates. We have celebrated the hatching of 3 ducklings and 2 chicks. They are keeping us busy as we learn about lifecycles and how to look after them and keep them and us safe.



YEAR I

As we started our new topic: Down in the Garden topic last week, in Year I we have been planting beans and keeping a close eye on their development. They are just sending out their shoot and roots and we are excited to see how tall they grow.



YEAR 2

Year 2 have had a fantastic start to their new topic 'Shimmering Shores'! We had a stunning start which involved visiting a beach shop, identifying shells, looking at historic photographs of Worthing and even creating our own beach scene! We posed questions that we have about the beach, which we will answer this term. Here are some of the questions we raised:

- What is the tide and how does it change?
 - Why is the sea blue?
 - How has Worthing changed over time?
- What are the wind turbines for?



YEAR 3



As part of Year 3's Stunning Start into their new topic on the Stone Age, they made their own Stone Age shelters from twigs, sticks and leaves. They all had a fantastic time designing their shelters!



YEAR 4



This half term, Year 4 are learning all about magnets in their new unit of science! This week, we have been investigating which materials produce a magnetic field. The children tried out various materials and objects around the classroom such as paperclips, cardboard and even string!



YEAR 5

Year 5 have been learning about young 'World Changers' who have thought for themselves and made a positive difference in our world. These ranged from Boyan Slat to Ann Makosinski. In pairs, the children wrote their own scripts and presented about their chosen world changer to the whole class.



YEAR 6

Year 6 had a great time at Highdown Hill to start their 'Adventures on the Downs' topic. We learnt about the hill's history and geography and we loved spending some reflective time in nature. Here are a few of us, laying back and listening to the beautiful sounds of the skylark which was flying over us at the time!



23rd April – Year 4 Golf – Champions and gold medals!

Our team of young golfers went to Chesswood and competed in a tournament made up of 12 teams. They chipped and putted their way expertly round the various challenges with accuracy and control of power the key to their success. They accumulated an incredible 869 points across 7 activities which was over 200 more than 2nd place Chesswood. They were rewarded with gold medals and will take part in the partnership finals next week!



24th April – Year 2 Football – 3rd in group out of 7

The year 2 footballers went to Orchards for an extremely competitive football tournament. They played 6 group matches and finished with an impressive record of 3 wins, a draw and 2 defeats. Unfortunately, that meant they finished 3rd in their group and just missed out on a semi-final place.

Updates & Reminders

Thank you

Parking

Thank you all for continuing to be considerate of our neighbours and the safety of the children. You will have noticed recently that parking wardens have been present at the start and end of the day more frequently following a request from the school. They are there to ensure the safety of the children.

School uniform

Each term we are collecting a large amount of unnamed school uniform. This also includes coats, lunch boxes, water bottles and other accessories.

Please label or write your child's name on these items so they can be returned to the owners.

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

In the event of rain on an outdoor club day - Please telephone after approx. 2.15pm by which time a decision would have been made and there will be a club's answerphone message which will let you know if any clubs have been cancelled. We will also follow up with a text message.

TERM DATES 2024 - 2025

SUMMERTERM

Mon 15th April – Tues 23rd July 2024 (INSET: 22 & 23 July 2024)

(Half term holiday: 27th – 31st May)

AUTUMN TERM

Monday 2nd September 2024 - Friday 20th December 2024

(Half Term holiday: Monday 28th October 2024 - Friday 1st November 2024)

SPRING TERM 2025

Monday 6th January 2025 - Friday 4th April 2025

(Half Term holiday: Monday 17th February 2025 - Friday 21st February 2025)

SUMMERTERM

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 - Tuesday 22nd July 2025

(Half Term holiday: Monday 26th May 2025 - Friday 30th May 2025)

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