



# Newsletter

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Dates – a paper copy of the key term dates is available in the school office and on the website.

## Connectivity and communication

I hope this newsletter reaches you. We have been badly affected by intermittent access to the internet which has meant no phones or e mails this week. Despite escalating this to providers and to West Sussex county council, it has not yet been resolved. It is a serious safety issue and we apologise for the lack of communication while this is fixed.

## SEND tea and chat

Thank you to all the parents who attended the SEND tea and chat. website updates and information will be accessible when our internet is restored.



More beautiful photos, courtesy of Danielle Fowler from Bee Focused Photography. Please find attached a flyer for a family photography workshop over half term.

## Cake sale

The School Council, in conjunction with Sycamores class, would like to run a cake sale in aid of the Galapagos Islands conservation fund. This will take place on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October after school.

## Harvest service

The Harvest service will take place at St Mary's Church on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30am. Parents are very welcome to join us for the walk to church, we will be leaving school at 9.00am. As in previous years, we are collecting Harvest gifts for Chestnut Tree House Children's Hospice.

Preferred items are:

cake mixes or cake decorations for the children's activities

biscuits and squash

tea bags, coffee and sugar for the visiting families

Tins – specifically tinned tuna and baked beans

Please note that Chestnut Tree House is a completely NUT FREE zone



This year we are also going to donate some of the items to Horsham Matters Foodbank. If you prefer to send a tinned or packet food item, we are happy to accept it.

## Parents Evening

Parents Evenings are Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 3:30-5:30 pm and Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 4:00-6:00 pm.

These appointments will be available to book on MCAS as from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October. If you are unable to access MCAS, please inform the office and they will book the appointment for you.

### **School Photographer**

The School Photographer will be here on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. If you would like a photograph of your children together then please let the office know by Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October. Families that have pre-school children who would like a photograph taken with their older school siblings then please also let the office know. These photographs will be taken from 8:30 am onwards.

### **Family services at St Mary's Church, Shipley**

This is a short informal service lasting for 45 minutes and including tea and coffee afterwards.

Please let us know if your child(ren) would like to do a reading or a prayer at the service.

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 10.00am - Harvest Festival

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am – Family Service

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 6:00 pm – Carol Service

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December 5:00 pm – Crib Service

The church is always looking to welcome new members of the choir – young or old.



### **READING REWARDS**

	<b>RUBY</b>	<b>EMERALD</b>	<b>AMETHYST</b>	<b>DIAMOND</b>
WILLOWS	Ruby	Chloe, Georgina, Isla, Quinn		
OAKS	Erin, Indy	Edie		
ASH	Emilie, Cleo, Kayla, Florence, Max, Jacob	Felix, Connie, Alanna		
SYCAMORES	Alice A, Amelie, Brodie, Mia	Bunny, Vini		



### **GOLDEN BOOK**

When a child does something amazing, we like to celebrate the event in Friday's assembly.

- WILLOWS - Naomi for brilliant use of the balance scales in maths. Archie for fantastic 'Fred Talk' in Phonics.
- OAKS - Edie for an excellent start to Year 1. Abe for outstanding effort and progress this term.
- ASH - Early and Alanna for excellent rounding in maths.
- SYCAMORES - Brodie for a fantastic poem about trust. Charlie for working hard to improve his Presentation and general hard work in class.

Staff have golden tickets to give to children in Willows and Oaks. All golden tickets are put into a weekly draw. This week's winner is

Kind regards

Jen Harvey and Jill Phillips

**DIARY DATES**  
**AUTUMN TERM/SPRING TERM 2024/2025**

**OCTOBER**

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October

**FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

**MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER–FRIDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER**

Ash Class visit to Fishbourne Palace  
Sycamores Viking workshop with Rainbow Theatre  
Open afternoon for Reception Pupils 2025 – (1:20-2:30)  
Harvest Festival Service 9:30 am at St Mary's Church.  
Parents invited to attend  
FOSS – Rags to Riches Clothing Collection  
Parents Evening 3:30 – 5:30 pm  
School Photographer in School  
Parents Evening 4:00 – 6:00 pm  
FOSS Autumn Disco TBC

**INSET DAY**

**HALF TERM**

**NOVEMBER**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November

Return to School  
Ash Class Swimming Starts (6 weeks). Details to follow  
Sycamores Class Assembly 9:00 am. Parents invited to visit classes afterwards  
Remembrance Day Service at School 10:05 am. Parents invited to attend  
Anti-bullying week starts  
Ash Class Assembly 9:00 am. Parents invited to visit classes afterwards  
Children in Need – Pyjamas/Onesie day for a donation  
Oaks Class Assembly 9:00 am. Parents invited to visit classes afterwards  
Willows Class Assembly 9:00 am. Parents invited to visit classes afterwards

**DECEMBER**

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Evening Performance of *Simply the Nativity* 6 pm  
Morning Performance of *Simply the Nativity* 9:15 am  
Afternoon Performance of *Simply the Nativity* 2:00 pm  
Christingle Service at St Marys Church 2:00 pm. Parents invited to attend  
Christmas Cracker Lunch

**FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

**MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY**

**TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY**

**FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

**LAST DAY OF TERM**

**INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED**

**SPRING TERM STARTS**

**INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED**

**SPORTING EVENTS**

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December

Year 6 Talented Athlete (selected pupils only)  
KS2 Cross Country 2:00-3:30 pm (selected pupils only)  
Y5/6 Quicksticks Hockey 3:30-5:00 pm (selected pupils only)