



Newsletter

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Spring Term 2023

Monday 27th February – Courtney Tulloch, Gymnast – Assembly 9:20 – 9:50 pm (Parents Welcome & Refreshments will be available)

Monday 27th February – Deadline for consent form for Planetarium visit

Wednesday 1st March – School Visit to Sussex Farm

Thursday 2nd March – SCHOOL IS OPEN

Friday 3rd March – World Book Day – Dress as your Favourite Character

Friday 3rd March – Ash Class Assembly at 09:00 am (change from original date)

Thursday 9th March – Chichester Planetarium Visit

Thursday 16th March – Willows Class Assembly at 09:00 am

Thursday 23rd March – Sycamores Class Assembly at 09:00 am

FOSS – Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th Rags to Riches Drop off in school hall

Monday 27th March - Church Service at 11 am

FOSS – Monday 27th March – Rags to Riches Collection

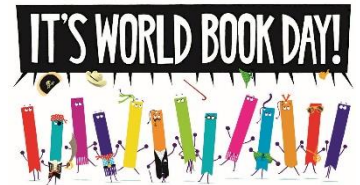
Thursday 30th March – Oaks Class Assembly at 09:00 am

Friday 31st March – **FOSS** – I'm a Pupil Get Me Out of Here – 2 – 3 pm

Friday 31st March – Last day of Term

World Book day

Friday 3rd March is the Shipleys Book day. Children may come dressed as their favourite book character. There will be a special assembly by Ash class at 9am (Ash parents invited) followed by some fun book events in classes. The Billingshurst Lions will be coming in for the Big Book Giveaway on Wednesday 1st March.



Earth and Space topic

This has been such an engaging and inspiring topic for children of all ages. It links into all the curriculum areas and has led to some fantastic learning. Some of Sycamores class chose to share this piece of writing to show how Buddy had edited and improved his work.

A special night



As we arrived for our starry night 2023, clouds started to form. At 5:50, we went in to the school. It felt odd to be returning back to school at night. There were telescopes on the edge of the playground. I looked through one and it was very interesting; I saw the moon, but only for a second as the clouds came over. Everybody was using an app and seeing the planets. "I was looking up at a giant Jupiter, neon white and spinning

forever" wrote Katie C. The great evening was rounded off with hot chocolate and biscuits. Thank you to everyone for organising it and supporting it.

Attendance

It has been a challenging year for attendance with some unpleasant viruses and illnesses, even with all our handwashing and hygiene procedures. Hopefully, as the winter recedes, we will see an improvement in pupil's health and an improvement in attendance figures.

Did you know:

95% attendance = 10 days off each school year

90% attendance = 20 days off each school year

85% attendance = 30 days off each school year

Please be aware that the school is unable to authorise term time holidays, unless there are *exceptional circumstances* and this is rare. Where children have had illness and then unauthorised absence, it has brought their attendance to the level of a persistent absentee. However, we please ask you to inform us if you plan to go away. Forms are available in the office.

Active Sussex mother and child case study

Active Sussex would love to hear from any Sussex mums and their children who exercise together for a special Mother’s day project. If you and your child(ren) keep fit or exercise together and are happy to be interviewed or photographed, Active Sussex would love to hear from you.

Contact Alex Bunce abunce@activesussex.org

FOSS

Foss will be providing refreshments at the assembly on Monday (Courtney Tulloch, Gymnast) from 8:45 – 9:20 am.



Friends of Shipley School have teamed up with Shipley parish council and now have a Terracycle drop off point at Shipley School. You can recycle any unwanted plastic Tupperware boxes, food storage or water bottles AND *HASBRO non- battery operated toys and games in our NEW Red recycle bin.

*please only please Hasbro brand toys in this bin for recycling. Thank you.

READING REWARDS

	RUBY	EMERALD	AMETHYST	DIAMOND	WORMERY
WILLOWS	Eric	Kobe	Abe	Oliver M, Ozzy	Alice
OAKS	Maia, Cleo, Connie	Felix			Emilie, Alanna, Henry
ASH		Rosie, Olivia, Brodie			
SYCAMORES		Maisie			Abi



GOLDEN BOOK

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

- WILLOWS** - Abe for trying really hard in phonics. Esther for a great foam planet. Rhys for great counting and numbers
- OAKS** - Alanna for fabulous reading, writing and maths all week. Well done. Emilie for developing her reader’s voice and fluency in reading.
- ASH** - All of Ash Class for being so wonderful and helpful with the supply teacher yesterday.
- SYCAMORES** - Marcus and Joshua for excellent manners. Amelia for a wonderful piece of writing in English

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 Alanna.

Kind regards

Jen Harvey and Jill Phillips