



'A lifelong love of learning;
a love of life.'

Dear Parent/Carer,



Another busy month with much happening and the school resonating to the sound of Christmas songs and carols already!

We have been celebrating the achievements of many of the children too. Kestrel class have come to the end of their swimming sessions and Gillian Warren, the swimming coach at Splashpoint, contacted me to say she has been so impressed with the behaviour of Bramber children that she had to ring and tell me. She has been teaching swimming for a long time and sees a lot of schools

from across Worthing and beyond.

Seagull class, supported by Mrs Bridgland, gave a rendition of their violin learning which was a challenging instrument to learn in a term. The feedback about their performance was glowing too.

Fundraising

Thank you to Dennis and Annella, our Lead Learners for promoting the Poppy Appeal and our poppy sales. We managed to raise £226.54 so the organisation can continue their vital welfare and benevolent work.

It was great to see the array of odd socks and soft toys to show support for Children in Need and we raised £284.76. Thank you all.



Parent-teacher Consultations

Again, we were pleased to see the level of support from home for the children's learning as this communication between us all is so important to ensure the happiness and success of our children. If you have not been able to meet with your child's class teacher, it's not too late so please speak to them.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank one of our school Governors for being available and making refreshments for the staff in my absence (I had a meeting to attend). She was a godsend for the staff at the end of a very long day.

However, she did comment on the behaviour of some children when they were with their parents, which was very different to the behaviour she normally sees in the children. It was disappointing to hear children were left to ransack the library, run and scream around the school, climbing and hanging off the cloakroom pegs and generally be disrespectful and unruly. This came as a surprise and I would ask you to please reinforce the same behaviour expectations of your children when you are supervising them at school as we do. Thank you for your co-operation in this.

'Tootoot Make a noise'

Parents of children in Y4, 5 and 6 have received a letter about this reporting system and website for children and their parents. It is now live and all the children will be given their log-on username and password shortly. When they log on there is a confidential element where they can forward any concerns to me as designated safeguarding lead and Miss Barrett as deputy DSL. Additionally, there is a wealth of information about keeping themselves safe, bullying, etc. and this includes direct links to report on any element of social media they may have access to. Parents can log on too and again it is a reporting system for passing on concerns and also a valuable source of information on various very important issues such as cyberbullying, protecting your children online, and links to websites.





Attendance Trophy for October

Chaffinch is October's winner with attendance of 99.5%. Congratulations!

Walking home from school



Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 – we expect all children to be collected by their parents or after communication with the office or class teacher, another trusted adult (we will not let them go home with someone we do not know about)

Year 5 and 6 – You have received a letter explaining our safeguarding systems and unless we have had permission slips from you, we will assume they are going home with you at the end of the day and will reinforce this with the children for end of day arrangements.

As we look forward to all our Christmas events and all the joy, excitement and glitter that it entails, we would like to thank you for all your continued support of the school and staff. We return to school on Thursday 4th January 2018.

Best wishes,

Tracy Taylor

Age Restrictions

FOR SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?

Age
13

-  **Ask.fm**
-  **Facebook**
-  **Google +**
US and all countries not mentioned under 14 and 16

 **Instagram**

 **ooVoo**

 **Pinterest**

 **Reddit**

 **Snapchat**

 **Tumblr**

 **Twitter**

 **LinkedIn**
all countries not mentioned under age 14, 16 and 18

 **Swarm by Foursquare**

DATING / CHATTING APPS

 **Meet Me**

 **Tinder**

 **Omegle**

 **Skout**
communities for 13-17 and 18+

Age
14

 **LinkedIn**
United States, Canada, Germany, Spain, Australia and South Korea

 **Google**
Spain, South Korea

Age
15

 **Burn note**
Common Sense Media rating

Age
16

 **WhatsApp**

 **LinkedIn**
Netherlands

 **Google +**
Netherlands

Age
17

 **Periscope**
Common Sense Media rating

 **Vine**

 **Whisper**

Age
18

 **LinkedIn**
China

 **Yik Yak**

 **Kik**

 **Flickr**
But kids 13-17 can sign-up with parental permission

 **YouTube**
But kids 13-17 can sign-up with parental permission

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