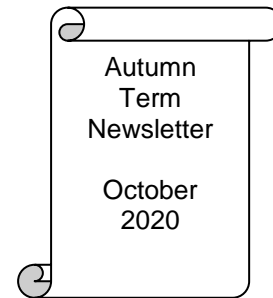




Newsletter

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Dear families,

We are delighted with how hard the children have been working on their learning and learning behaviours over this half term. We hope you have an enjoyable and safe half term break and look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 3rd November.

Class learning Willow

It has been a busy month in Willow. Year R have learnt a Harvest Poem and are practising reading and writing numbers 1-10 and counting objects to 5, to 10 and beyond. Our Happily Ever After topic is drawing to a close. Year 1 have written their own apple poem and have been designing imaginary castles.



They have also been sorting objects by the materials they are made from. In circle time we have talked about good and bad choices and the consequences of our actions. In maths we have been using number lines and using a part-whole model diagram to represent addition.



Beech

Beech Class have been enjoying applying for jobs in a castle. We wrote letters of application to Lady James and Lady Halliwell. We

interviewed each other for jobs such as: carpenter, watchman, cook, knight and marshal. We all got the jobs!

Our Paul Klee work is finished and we have produced some amazing versions that we have called Castle and Moon rather than Castle and Sun. We investigated colour mixing in science and used our skills of observation noticing patterns and discussing what we found out.



We have been designing our Learning Charter in our Jigsaw sessions and talking about rights, responsibilities, rewards and consequences. This will help us to do the best work we can.

Holly

In Holly Class we have continued looking at the digestive system as part of our science unit. The children can very confidently talk about each stage and have learnt a large range of scientific vocabulary - including borborygmus (any guesses?). During one of the lessons, Mrs Burton demonstrated what happened at each stage. To say the children were disgusted (and secretly enjoying every moment!) was an understatement! In art, we have continued looking at portrait work. It has been

impressive seeing how much care and effort the children take when trying to reproduce a small section of a Tudor portrait -



Hans Holbein would be impressed. Mrs Bridger very confidently demonstrated how we can use lines to make sure that we are drawing a face in proportion. The children were very surprised to hear that our eyes are in fact in the middle of our head not right at the top!

Silver Birch

Silver Birch have been busy reading Pharaoh's Fate about a plot to murder Pharaoh Ramesses II. We have written warning letters, scanned for clues and discussed culprits before writing a report detailing our findings.

In maths we have focused on the 4 calculations, using bar models and diagrams when tackling multi step problems and discussing when to use mental strategies and when to use written methods.

In science we have continued our work on the circulatory system - investigating the effects of different intensity exercises on our heart rate.

We have made our own songs using GarageBand in music, we picked a genre and tried to incorporate different layers of instruments, including drums, guitars, synths and strings.



In topic lessons we have learned about ancient Egyptian farming, techniques and reliance on the river Nile.



Making a shaduf to move water around.

Harvest

Thank-you so much for your generous donations for Harvest. These have been very gratefully received by the Haywards Heath Food Bank who do such amazing work - <https://www.trusselltrust.org/> Have you watched the children's Harvest Service yet? We sent the link last week.

Y6 leadership roles, school council and eco council

Y6 wrote excellent letters to apply for their leadership roles and it was very tricky to make the final selections. They have started their roles with great enthusiasm, which is fantastic to see.

We have now formed our school council and we are looking forward to working together to help to improve our school. We have lots of ideas and are currently thinking of creative ways to have our meetings and how we communicate what we are doing to each class. We are very excited of what lies ahead! From Mrs James

All classes have now elected their Eco-Council representatives. We are looking forward to meeting soon and listening to the children's environmental ideas. One of the things we will be doing is looking at if the new LED lights use less electricity. From Mrs Cheney

After School Clubs

As we still need to keep classes in separate bubbles we will not be restarting after school clubs yet. This will be reviewed later this term for the spring term.

Parent Teacher Consultations

Have you booked your slot for these meetings yet? The dates are at the end of the newsletter.

Promoting Healthy Eating Lunch Boxes

We ask that chocolate bars and sugar content food are not included in lunch boxes please. For healthy option ideas please look at this website

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recepipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

Remembrance Rock Art

Please see the poster attached with the newsletter about a lovely creative way to remember all the people who died in war.

The Amazing Friends of Bolney

We are so grateful for all the support you give us – thank-you so much, you make such a difference!

Sponsored Walk

Thank-you so much for sponsoring the children for the Friends of Bolney Sponsored Walk, we had a great day with sunshine for most of the day! Mrs Green set up a brilliant course and led great warm-ups. Thank-you to the volunteers who helped us make this a fun event. So far, this has raised an incredible £2,340! Thank-you again you are all amazing! Photos are on our website.

New Shed

We are delighted that the new potting shed has arrived. Again, a big thank-you for all your generous donations to enable this to happen.



The children are very excited about using it to grow seedlings ready to plant out. Please watch our thank-you video

https://youtu.be/XGNNKKnWk_g

Design-A-Cake Competition

This is fabulous chance to possibly see your child's design turn into a delicious cake – please see the attached information, which was also sent home in book bags.

Non uniform day

On Monday 16th November there will be a **non-uniform day**. Children can come to school in clothes of their choice in exchange for a donation which will be collected on the gate.

Christmas Cards

Have you bought your Christmas cards yet? Every child has designed a Christmas card this year, so you could buy some of these? Order forms have been sent home in book bags.

Diary

Autumn Half Term

Week commencing 26th October with INSET day on Monday 2nd Nov

Flu immunisations

Tuesday 3rd November pm

Parent Teacher Consultations

Holly class:

Monday 9th Nov
Wednesday 11th Nov
Wednesday 18th Nov

Y1, Beech and Silver Birch:

Tuesday 10th Nov
Thursday 12th Nov

FoB Non-uniform day

Monday 16th November

Last Day of Autumn Term

Friday 18th December

Spring Term

Starts Monday 4th January
Ends Thursday 1st April

Spring Half Term

Week commencing 15th February

Summer Term

Starts Monday 19th April
Ends Friday 23rd July

Summer Half Term

Week commencing 31st May

INSET days 2020-21

Monday 2nd November 2020
Monday 22nd February 2021
Monday 7th June 2021
Monday 5th July 2021

Thank- you for your continued support with all that we do.

Mrs Kenny and all staff at Bolney CEP School