



Newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,

The children returned to school following the Easter break with great enthusiasm. This was helped by a week of beautiful sunny weather! It is such a pleasure to see their smiling faces each morning.

Willow Class

Willow Class has been planting strawberry plants and runner beans this week. We have been to Ladyland Farm on our first school trip; the children loved it and did brilliantly.



They have been drawing pictures and writing amazing sentences about what they liked.



We have set up a supermarket in our role play corner and would like more clean dry cardboard boxes to fill the shelves.

Beech Class

This week we have continued with fractions in maths. Year 2 made a fraction wall and have learned how to count up to 10 in fractions.

Year 1 have been finding half different ways and finding half of a number of objects.



We visited Ladyland farm and learned lots of facts.

How sheep only have bottom teeth, kids are baby goats, mammals are warm blooded and don't lay eggs! Pigs are omnivores! We wrote about our favourite bit and a fact.



In English we have been reading The Paperbag Prince, looking for junk beginning with each letter of the alphabet. We also read The Scarecrow Wedding and we designed invitations and outfits for our scarecrows.

Holly Class

Holly Class have begun reading Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. They have helped design the classroom and it looks stunning! They have made Hogwarts crests, golden snitches and Mandrakes.



This week, the children looked carefully at the Sorting Hat's song to decide which Hogwarts house they would belong to. They have written some very persuasive letters and they are waiting to see if the Sorting Hat (Mrs Burton!) agrees. They hope to earn their wands if they are successful.



In maths, the children have been looking at the properties of shape by looking at geometric cakes. Once we have covered everything, the children are going to be designing and making their own cakes.

Silver Birch Class

This week Silver Birch has been investigating properties of materials in science. We conducted an investigation into the causes of rusting in metals using lemon juice, vinegar, salt and oil.



In English, we have been researching and writing poems about the Greek gods/goddesses and in maths Year 6 have been exploring nets while Year 5 have been exploring decimals and percentages with Mrs Kenny.

Sports

Rugby Tournament

Well done to our rugby players for a very successful tournament. Here is their report:

On the 27th of March Bolney rugby team went to Warden Park Secondary School to take part in a rugby tournament against nine other schools from the NEARs group. We won all the games, apart from the final game. We were really surprised in the last game because we played better than we thought we would, ending the game 4:2 thanks to Jonathan and Rory. Unfortunately we didn't win. But we did really well and overall we came 2nd. We would like to thank Mrs Bridger and the parents and carers for taking and coaching us in exactly the same way as the other schools. We would like to give the man of the match to Rory, for really good runs and some amazing tries.

Girls Football Tournament

Some of our Year 5 and 6 girls played in a girl's football tournament with five other NEARS schools. They had not played together before and following some coaching from Mr Pitt they played well together and won one of their matches 3-2. Well done girls.

Uppark House Fundraising Event

Uppark House have chosen the Carers Trust as their charity to raise money for. They are having a Bake Sale on Friday 4th May in the school playground (or in the hall if it is raining) at 3pm. Please support this fundraising event that the children are organising.

Village Day Programme Illustrations

The children have been asked to draw anything to do with books for this year's Village Day programme. One design will be chosen for the front cover and the rest will be included within the programme. Any entries need to be drawn on paper (portrait) and felt tips work best. They do not need to put any text in it as we are not doing posters this year, and please do not use glitter. Please hand your completed design to Zoe by Friday 4th May.

Spirituality Garden

The gardening club have been busy with developing our spirituality garden which is at the front of the school next to the quiet area. New plants have been planted and the children are creating a pathway. Please do watch it develop. We intend to enter it into the 'Prayer Through Spiritual Places' competition run by the Diocese of Chichester for schools as part of the Year of the Prayer.

Reading workshops

Following requests from some parents we are running two reading workshops after half term. One for Early Years and KS1 parents on **Monday 18th June** at 2.15 to 3pm. And one for KS2 parents on **Thursday 21st June** at 3.15 to 4pm. The children can join their parents for the KS2 workshop. The workshop will focus on how you can support your child at home with reading. We are aware that there is no 'perfect' time for these events, therefore your feedback on this and the event themselves is very welcome. We will also hold maths workshops in the autumn term.

Playground markings

The final playground markings should be laid this week so watch this space! These were chosen by our school council and paid for by the money raised by the Friends of Bolney. So fingers crossed, by Friday, we will have some fun markings on our lovely new playground surface!

Values trophies

The values trophies were awarded to:



Rosie for showing perseverance and all the staff for always showing our values.



Charlie for showing respect when helping others with their learning and Chloe for showing love by helping in the lunch hall.

Key dates

Uppark House Fundraising Event

Friday 4th May 3pm

Parent Reading Workshops

Early Years and KS1 parents
Monday 18th June 2.15 to 3pm.
KS2 parents **Thursday 21st June**
3.15 to 4pm.

Summer half term

Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June

Inset Days

Monday 4th June
Monday 25th June

Sports Day (morning)

Wednesday 20th June at 9am

Y6 Service at Worth Abby

Tuesday 10th July 10.45

Y5/6 production

17th and 18th July (evening)

End of summer term

Last day Tuesday 24th July

Start of autumn term

Tuesday 4th September 2018

2018-19 Inset Days

Monday 3rd September 2018
Monday 29th October 2018
Monday 3rd June 2019
Monday 8th July 2019
With one day to be confirmed

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

Mrs Kenny and all staff at Bolney CEP School