

Dear Parents and Carers,

SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY 18TH NOVEMBER FOR STAFF TRAINING (INSET)

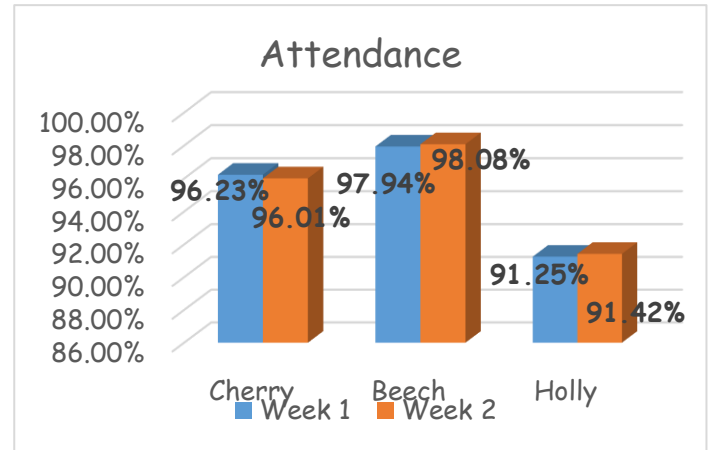
It has been a busy start to the new term and the children are enjoying their new topics, you will have received a curriculum map home with their learning for this term.

We are definitely heading into winter so please ensure that they have a coat in school every day.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Cherry and Beech.

Our school target this year is 96.5%. Please can you make sure that your child is in school for 9.00 a.m. as a late registration affects their class's attendance figures. Thank you



GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to the following children, who have been mentioned in our Golden Book, which is shared in our Celebration Assembly.

7th November 2019

- Cherry** **Fletcher** - for working really hard all week in everything and making massive progress in maths.
Martha and Maisie for doing great maths work on 'one more and one less'
- Beech** **Tabitha** - brilliant role model in class, Tabitha really cares about having a safe and effective learning environment
Charlie - a really successful diagram in science, Charlie challenged himself to create work that was both neat and full of information
- Holly** **Jayem** - doing more homework than he was asked to do
Iliana - fantastic English work

14th November 2019

- Cherry**
- Beech** **Noah** - hard work in lessons especially English! Going above and beyond by finding vocabulary that pushes him
Willow - confidence in maths, putting her hand up constantly in lessons

HOLLY CLASS TRIP TO HINDLEAP WARREN

Despite some inclement weather, the children have had a wonderful time at Hindleap Warren. They all enjoyed the activities, even when they got wet and muddy. Mrs Brown and Mrs West both visited for an overnight stay. Many thanks to Mrs Groves, Mrs Sison and Mrs Mitchell who were there for the whole residential and most of all congratulations the children who exceeded their goals. I think they will enjoy the three-day weekend to recover!

DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER

- 18th** **INSET DAY**
 19th Cherry Class to Wilderness Woods
 21st Children in Need
 27th City Mission Christmas Worship

DECEMBER

- 3rd Big Sing 5.30pm
 4th Pantomime
 5th Coming of the Light Service 2pm
 6th Non-Uniform Day for tombola donation
 7th FoFS Christmas Fair
 11th Nativity Play
 12th Nativity Play
 17th Christmas Lunch
 18th Christmas Carol Service 6pm
20th **INSET DAY**

20th December - 6th January Christmas

CHILDREN IN NEED

Holly Class will be organising our fundraising for Children in Need this year. You should all have received a letter via email about it yesterday. This will be on Thursday 21st November.

CHERRY CLASS TRIP TO WILDERNESS WOODS

Please ensure that you arrive at school by 8.45am for this trip, as the coach will leave school at 9am. All children must wear wellies and old home clothes, waterproof if possible. We will need to change from our muddy wellies to come home on the coach so please provide shoes or trainers in a plastic bag.

CAROL SERVICE

Please note the change of date to Wednesday 18th December at 6pm.

CHERRY CLASS OPENING

This morning we had a lovely official opening of Cherry Class with Lord Hampden, Jason Lee and Nick Jones. Lord Gage was unable to make today so came in to meet the children and receive his thank you on Tuesday.

Parents of Cherry class also joined us for the celebration and we all had cakes afterwards, which were made by Cherry class and donated by parents.



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Next week we will send home our Christmas menu, please send your child's choices back promptly so that Colette can order what she needs to cook the meal. If your child is in KS2 you will need to pay for Christmas lunch via Parentpay. Please see Mrs Horan if you need a login.

REMEMBRANCE POEM BY CHERRY CLASS

THE POPPIES

The poppy's red like blood.
For the people who died for us,
And the people went to war for us.
The people were really kind to us.
The people who are left for us;
The poppies shine red.
The people who protected us;
The people who we loved have died,
The poppies rest in peace for us.
Thank you to the people who went to war for us.
The people who have won with stress,
We pray to God and Jesus that they love those lots.
By Cherry Class



Thank you to those who could join us at the memorial on Monday to remember men, women and children who have died in wars. The children were very well behaved and respectful. Jayem and Phoenix lay our poppy wreath, being the oldest and youngest members of our school.

COMMUNICATION

We are aware that some parents are not receiving all emails sent home and are looking into this with our IT support. Please check the school website for letters that have gone home and let the school office know if you think you are not receiving them, many thanks.

DONUT COFFEE MORNING

With the wonderful support of The Art House, Eastbourne. I am able to run free, exclusive and relaxed coffee mornings on the 1st Monday of each month - for those parents or carers that have young children who struggle with anxiety. This small group of parents have the chance to come together with like-minded people, and know that they are not alone. With so many other services being cut, the demand for this will grow. There is a maximum of 20, as it is held in the private function room, downstairs. However, with small groups - comes friendships and tailored support.

Each month, I will focus on a particular area of parent well-being, this will be with the help of different volunteers specialised in a particular area. It could include a short talk on; healthy eating, or mindfulness, even a hand massage, but all very chilled and accessible ... I want them to walk away with at least one usable tip, to help with their emotional well-being.

Please, continue to share this service - so that parents and carers get the support they need, when they need it:

- 2nd December 2019, 9.30 - 11.30
- <http://bit.ly/2WP020F>
- 6th January 2020, 9.30 - 11.30
- <http://bit.ly/33n4J4t>
- 3rd February 2020, 9.30 - 11.30
- <http://bit.ly/34yOWkX>

FRIENDS OF FIRLE SCHOOL

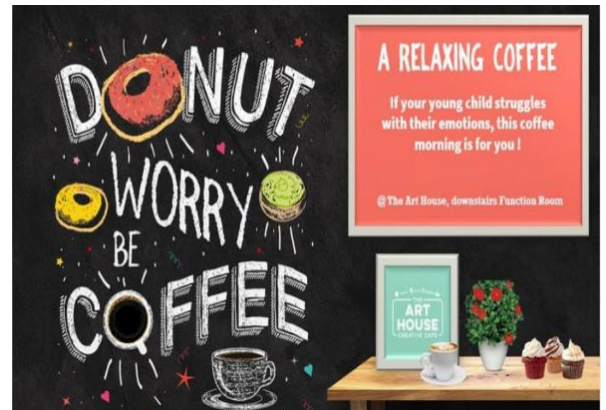
Thank you to everyone who came to the meeting on Friday to help plan the Christmas Fair, what a great turn out! This is our biggest fundraiser of the year so it's brilliant to feel such support from you all.....feeling excited now!

We have some great stalls, performances and lots more festive fun planned but we still need your help...

HOMEMADE CRAFT/PRODUCE STALL:

It will ALWAYS be our aim to be aware of our environmental impact as a PTA and school so we are keen to keep the shop stall, at the fair, full of homemade items and not too much plastic!

If you are making any cards, gift tags, jams, chutneys, sloe gin, decorations ...anything as gifts for your family or friends (or even if you know someone who is) please could you make a few extra and donate what you can to the shop stall.



 Firle CE
Primary
School

**Christmas Wreath Classes with
Glynde Flower Shop**

Create a beautiful seasonal door wreath whilst helping to raise funds for Firle C of E Primary School.

Friday 29th November 2019
7pm – 8:45pm

Saturday 30th November 2019
11am – 12:45pm

Venue: **Glynde & Beddingham Reading Room**
The Street, Glynde

All proceeds for these classes go to Friends of Firle School
To book your place please email:
glyndeflowershop@hotmail.co.uk

* Spaces are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment

Also we are going to be selling second hand Christmas Jumpers , so if there are any lying around the bottom of your wardrobes that are outgrown/unwanted please do send them in to be re-homed.
These could be brought in whenever you like or on either donation day listed below. Thank you.

RAFFLE TICKETS:

Will be coming home in book bags next week. Please do sell as many as you can.... We have some exciting prizes.... Please see flyer attached!

The raffle will be drawn at the Fair.

DONATION DAYS:

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 29TH: Jar Day

Please could each child fill a jar with goodies, this can be something like; crystals; chocolates; sweets; bouncy balls etc. Then decorate the outside/top of the jar to be in with a chance of winning the prize for best decoration.

There will be one small prize per year group so please label the jars with the child's name underneath!

Jars can be brought to the school hall in the morning of 29th November and ...they will be judged that day, then be sold at the fair on the 8th December!

FRIDAY DECEMBER 6th: Tombola Donation- NON-UNIFORM DAY!

We would be so grateful if you could donate to the Tombola and in return, the children can wear their home clothes to school on this day. We are asking each school family (not each child) to donate 3 items, which are the following:

1x Bottle of drink (alcohol or nice soft drinks)

1x Chocolates or sweets

1X soft toy ...(this can be a second hand toy that's no longer played with and needs a new home!)

These can also be brought to the hall the morning or after school on Friday 6th December.

VOLUNTEERS FOR HELPING:

Thank you to all of you who have volunteered to help so far.... I think we are sorted for the stalls and kitchen help on the day but we still need a few more to donate some baked goods... especially mince pies!

There is a sign up sheet on the working board by the office ...please do sign up if you can donate a cake or batch of sausage rolls, mince pies or cakes to be sold at the cafe on the day of the fair.

We will also REALLY need set up help (the Saturday morning) and clear up volunteers.

THANK YOU so, so much.

Lucie X

CO-CHAIR FOFS

