

Dear Parents

We have had a very busy couple of weeks with Arts week, virtual Sports Day and Patina. It is great that we are still able to do these things despite the circumstances. Many thanks to the creativity of staff to help these things go ahead.

We are delighted that we now have had a chance to see all the children who wanted to/ were able to return before the summer holiday. We do hope that those children in Year 6, who weren't able to join us this term, will pop back in the future to let us know how they are getting on and we do plan on arranging a reunion when it is safe to do so.

### **GOLDEN BOOK**

Congratulations to the following children, who have been mentioned in our Golden Book.

<b>Holly</b>	I	Iliana and Esther - continued kindness and thoughtfulness every week
<b>Beech</b>		Henry for brilliant writing and being proud of his work
		Fin for being a really calm character in class
<b>Cherry</b>		Levon - working really hard writing their story mountain

**Brilliant Bubble 4** Hopi- for showing real resilience in our symmetry activities

### **VIRTUAL SPORTS DAY**



We had a fabulous Sports Day on Friday where the children at home and school contributed their physical talents to gain points for their school team. We had a large number at home take part too, to increase the scores. Well done everyone.

The results were:

1st place Kestrels 205 pts

2nd place Kites 170 pts

3rd place Sparrow hawks 167 pts

4th place Peregrine Falcons 142 pts

### **ARTS WEEK**

Last week we saw our budding artists shine. There were many new skills introduced and Monika has created a slide show of the lovely artwork.



**Art by Lloyd**

### **PREMIER SPORT SUMMER CLUB**

We have arranged with Premier Sport for them to run a holiday club for the weeks 3<sup>rd</sup>- 7<sup>th</sup> August and 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> August. It is great value with Mon - Fri 9:00-3:30 at £60 per child. There are other options too.

Please see the attached flier and book on it as soon as possible, as it will run on a first come first served basis.

## SUPPORT AND FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We are aware that the situation over the last few months may have affected many of our families in terms of jobs and money coming in. We are here to offer support if anyone needs anything so please just ask. You can contact the school office and any help or advice can be given in confidence. Some of you may be eligible for free school meals. This means that either your child can receive a free meal at school or if they are not in school, you can have a voucher sent to you for £15 a week. This is £90 over the summer holidays. You can do this if you receive any of the following benefits: · Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get) · Income Support · Income-based Jobseekers Allowance · Income-related Employment and Support Allowance · Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 · The Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit · Child Tax Credit only, if your annual household income (assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) isn't over £16,190. No one getting Working Tax Credit will get free meals regardless of income

· Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Children eligible for free school meals on or after 1 April 2018 will remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary); they are in on 31 March 2023 even if your circumstances change.

The school also receives additional funding to support your child in their learning and this can be used to help with resources, uniform, trips etc.

The process is not taking very long at the moment and can all be done online. See link for further information and the application form

<https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schools/school-life/meals/free/>

## PATINA

Our Year 6 children in school and at home celebrated their primary years at the virtual Patina today. We had a socially distanced procession on the playground with the town crier ringing his bell to announce the start. The bubbles came out to watch from a distance and created a huge amount of noise with their instruments.



### **NATURE DETECTIVES**

Mr Sidebottom is continuing to provide some fun outdoor activities with recommendations of what to look out for, please see attached

### **FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE EDUCATION TEAM**

Please see the information attached.

### **STAGGERED TIMINGS**

Could we please remind all parents and carers about the staggered timings in place to ensure that we can keep the different bubbles of children in school apart. Juniors drop off is between 8.45am and 9am. Infants (Cherry class) drop off is between 9am and 9.10am. The gate will be shut promptly at 9.10am.

Collection for infants at the end of the day is 1.50pm. We need to ensure all infants are collected at 1.50pm so we are clear at the gate, for the juniors to be collected at 2pm.

Please note that the timings for Bubble 4 on a Tuesday and Thursday are 9.30am drop off and 1pm collection.

Thank you for your continued support with respecting social distancing at the gate, when dropping off and collecting your children from school.

### **READY FOR SEPTEMBER**

In preparing for new class teachers we are asking all children who are working at home to complete a pupil passport for their new teacher and return it to their current class teacher before the holiday. This is to help with transition in September. The children at school will do these in school. We will give further information on transition before the end of term to explain how we are going to support your child in September as we are still awaiting further guidelines from the government on how schools will open to all pupils. We are basing our current planning on full classes returning but possibly needing to not mix groups and continue with staggering the entry, playtimes, lunchtimes and end of day. We will stick as close as we can to our normal hours of 9-3:15p.m

Wishing you a very happy weekend.

Rachel West and Vicki Brown