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Spring 2 Newsletter - March 2026

Welcome back

We hope you had a lovely half term week, and the children are all refreshed, ready for their new topics and learning!! The important dates will show you there is a lot planned.

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended parents evening to discuss your child/ren's learning. We hope the meetings were positive and any queries/worries were addressed.

This half term is set to be another busy one as we head into Spring.

Themes for this half term:

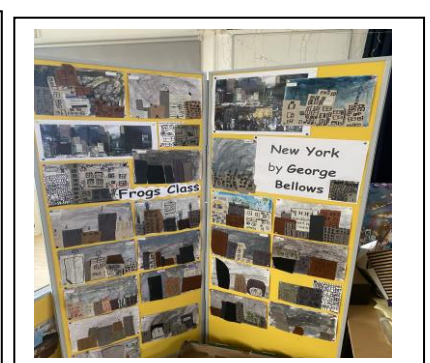
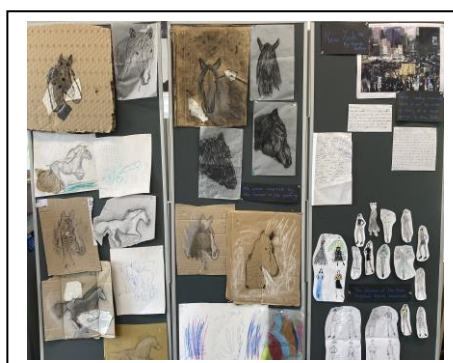
YR	On the farm. Animal stories
Y 1	Into the woods . Traditional tales
Y 2	What happened in the Great Fire of London?
Y 3	How would you design a new world? Town planning; 3D model; Using a compass
Y 4	Ancient civilisations; Solids, liquids and gasses
Y 5	Who am I? Why do I live here? Comparing landscapes; Water cycle; Puberty
Y 6	Where do we come from? Evolution; Weather; Habitats

Competition: This half term we are having a competition to design fairy cakes. These could be linked to Spring flowers, Easter or wonderful designs you think of. Closing date and judging 9am Wednesday 25th March. We will sell the cakes at the end of the day.

Fund raising cake sale -Wednesday 25th March. Please, please do send in cakes on Wednesday morning and pop into the sale to help to raise money towards school trips - Thankyou. Sale will be in the school hall at 3pm.

These are some of the activities the children have been doing this half-term:

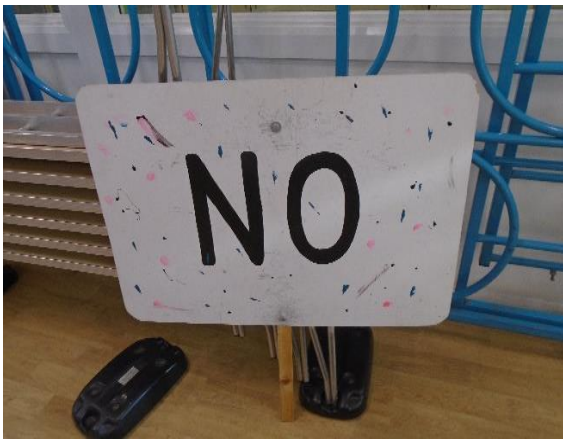
'Take one picture' is a project with National gallery where children interpret art in their own way.



All Rise - visitor for year 6

Year 6 took part in All Rise, a workshop to help children to learn about law and our roles within it. During the day, children learned about what laws are, who lady justice is, how being over 10 means that are legally responsible for their actions and roles within a courtroom. In the afternoon, we took part in a dramatisation of a courtroom where children got to be lawyers, witnesses, jurors, reporters and court artists. Mrs Lawrence was the judge, even though she was told that she wasn't a very good one!

The children had a great day and hopefully now have a better understanding of law and the jobs that they could possibly do within it.



Football

Some of our budding footballers played at the Arena on Saturday, against other schools in the area. The children had lots fun and played well.



Girls played a football match against another school recently too



This is the year of reading and we are supporting this by asking authors to visit every class; Giving children books; class reading swaps as well as world book day. Please help and support by hearing children read at home and asking about what they are reading in school.



World Book Day was a great success, we celebrated the day by asking the children to either dress up as their favourite book characters or in their bedtime Pj's, there were some amazing costumes worn by the children and staff. Storytelling week which started on 2nd March has also been this week, the children have spent the week reading and sharing books, the children in their classes were paired with another class to spend time sharing and reading books, the children have really enjoyed themselves this week.

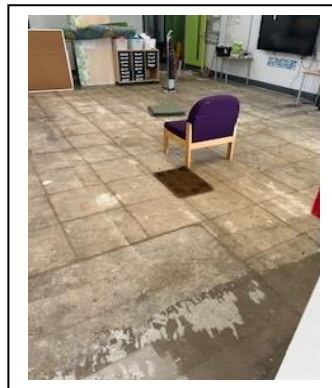


Making exotic fruit salad - children preparing and tasting different fruit was a lovely afternoon





Please do peep into our top building - the work from after the water leaks is finished and the classes all have new flooring.



Outdoor learning - our lovely new tipi is supporting learning outdoors.



Important information

Dropping children off - Just a reminder that children are parent's responsibility outside school hours. Children are not supervised by school staff at the front of the school.

Children **MUST** be supervised and brought into school and not dropped down the road onto the pavement. When dropping children for morning club please bring children to the door,

We seem to be having a lot of children arriving late and coming through the school office in the mornings. Whilst we appreciate that some instances of lateness are unavoidable, we would like to politely remind all parents/carers that the gates open at 8.40 (closing at 8.50).

When children go to school late, it can have a negative impact on the start of their day, as well as being disruptive to the class. Thank you.

Dogs on site this is a polite reminder to only bring your dogs onto the school site if the office have had a completed form, proof of insurance and vaccinations.

Parking Please do not park in the staff car park when you are dropping your children and picking them up, the car park is only for Staff and for school visitors.

Headteacher retiring

As you know I am retiring at the end of this term and Mr McGinley will stand in until July 2027 to provide stability while a new Headteacher is recruited.

I have booked Circus sessions for the children at the end of term and there will be an after-school circus session for families to 'have a go' on Thursday 26th too. I will be around too if you wish to say goodbye



Staff retiring

Mrs Scott will also be retiring. After many years at Bersted Green Ms Jarvis and Mrs Scott are going to enjoy a well-deserved retirement, as from the end of term. We wish Ms Jarvis and Mrs Scott all the very best in their upcoming retirement



Important dates

Tuesday 17 th March	Year 2	Weald and Downland trip
Thursday 19 th March	Year 3	Big Sing
Wednesday 25 th and 26 th March	All	Splats Circus coming into school
Wednesday 25 th March	All	Cake competition and Bring in cakes to sell at the cake sale at the end of the day.
Friday 27 th March	All	End of term
Monday 13 th April	All	Beginning of term
Wednesday 22 nd April	Year 5	Magic day at Felpham Community College, more information to follow shortly.
Thursday 23 rd April	All	Maypole dancing and St Georges day
Thursday 30 th April	Year 6	Year 6 group photo
Thursday 7 th May	Year 5	Hampton Court Parents to pay on MCAS
Monday 11 th May -Friday 14 th May	Year 6	SATS week
Tuesday 5 th May to Tuesday 14 th July	Year 5	Arundel Lido Swimming. Parents to pay on MCAS to travel by minibus.
Wednesday 20 th May to Wednesday 15 th July	Year 6	Arundel Lido Swimming. Parents to pay on MCAS to travel by train
Wednesday 20 th May	All	Poetry day
Monday 25 th May - Friday 29 th	All	May Half-Term
Monday WC 1 st June	Year 1	Year 6 Bikeability
Thursday 18 th -19 th June	Year 6	Residential
Friday 26 th June	All	EUROVISION - songs from class country
Tuesday 30 th June	Years 3,4,5,6	KS2 Sports day 9am come in School PE kit
Tuesday 30 th June	Reception, year1,2	KS1 and early years Sports day 1.30pm come in School PE kit
Wednesday 1 st July	All	Transition day, where year 6 will go to their chosen new school and all other years will move up to their new class from 1.30pm to the end of day, parents to pick up from new class.
Thursday 9 th July	Year 1	Arundel Wetlands Parents to pay on MCAS travel by coach
Friday 17 th July	All	End of term picnic
Monday 20 th Tuesday 21 st Wednesday 22 nd July		Inset days/ staff only to attend
Tuesday 1 st September		INSET day/staff only to attend
Wednesday 2 nd September	All	1 st day of term, return to school