

# Slindon CofE Primary School Newsletter



29<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## Roles and responsibilities!

Dear Parents/Carers,

The half term is already flying past and the weather has been feeling more autumnal. Although, we are still trying to get out as much as possible for various events.

We have already competed in two football tournaments this year with our teams from year 5/6 and year 3/4 playing admirably. Please see the reports below for an account of these events.

The children have also started working with Mr Edes, our new coach from Premier Sport, on a Tuesday. In EYFS and KS1 they have been working on their multi skills, while KS2 have been focusing on tag rugby. The children have been having a fantastic time and really boosting their skills.

We have also started to appoint new roles within the school, two of our year six children have been nominated as school ambassadors, as well as 6 house captains. We have also got a new school council, who I am sure will be putting ideas forward in the near future.

Our PFA have also been busy devising dates, which I am sure will come out very soon.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

All the best,  
Laura Webb  
Headteacher

## Dates

2/10	Inset day
3/10	Flu vaccination
4/10	Harvest Festival
5/10	Reading morning
13/10	Maths morning
18/10	Football tournament KS2
19/10	Six weeks in meeting
30/10	Rother Valley INSET day
6-10/11	Parliament Week
14 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup> /11	Parents evenings
17/11	Children in Need
7/12	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
7/12	Chartwells Christmas Lunch
12/12	Christmas lunch and parties
13/12	Christmas Carol Service
14/12	KS1 Nativity

***Our collective worship theme is Courage, linked with our Christian value of self-control.***

***We will be encouraging the children to show courage in the face of adversity.***

*Galatians 5:22-24 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.*

# What's happening in school?

## Year 5/6 Football tournament

On the 20<sup>th</sup> September, 10 intrepid year 5/6 children entered a tournament against; Fittleworth, Northchapel and Petworth.

The children played three matches and got stronger as they played. For the final match, the rain really started to come down, but the children played on with Timmy scoring three goals in quick succession, against Northchapel's two goals.

At the end of the tournament we were delighted to come third and the children really did play their hearts out.



## Year 3/4 Football tournament

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, Slindon once again visited Petworth to take part in a tournament against Petworth, Fittleworth and Northchapel.

This was the first outing for our year 3/4 team and all 9 were a little nervous.

The children played three seven a side games. The first against Northchapel, who they managed to beat 5-0.

They then came up against the mighty Fittleworth, putting up a good game and finishing 3-2 to Fittleworth.

Then the final match was against Petworth, the children worked exceptionally hard and they drew 0-0.

At the end of the tournament the results were:

1<sup>st</sup> Fittleworth

2<sup>nd</sup> Slindon

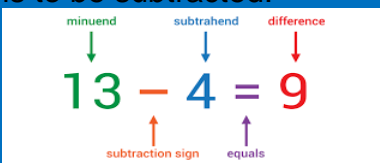
3<sup>rd</sup> Petworth

4<sup>th</sup> Northchapel.

Again, the children played exceptionally well and showed real sportsmanship.

### Maths fact – Minuend

- a quantity or number from which another is to be subtracted.



### SPAG fact- Apostrophe

a punctuation mark (') used to indicate either possession (e.g. Harry 's book ; boys ' coats ) or the omission of letters or numbers (e.g. can ' t ; he ' s ; 1 Jan. ' 99 ).

# Harvest Poems from Year 6

Dear Lord

Harvest is here, With the farmers and their farms making sure that their crops are prepared. Thank you for receiving our prayers about all the fruit and vegetables. Please make sure that the rain and sun always make the seeds grow and harvest so joyfull.

Amen

Dear Lord,

Help us to give thanks for this time of harvest and the farmers who dedicate their time to provide delicious fruits and vegetables. Thank you, Lord for taking the time to provide sunlight and rain on the carefully planted seeds in the field. Lord, thank you for this time where the fields flourish in growth food for all people around the world.

Amen

Dear heavenly Father,

Thank you for sun and rain, Please help the farmers to collect their crops in safety. Thank you for all our delicious food that has been harvested. Please help everyone have love, joy and gentleness. Thank you for creating our beautiful world with our delicious food and drink.

Amen.

Dear Lord,

Thank you for the farmers who tend to the fields. Thank you for the fruit and vegetables they grow. They give; we receive but you're the one that makes it all happen. You bring the rain and sun to this world. Thank you for giving the seeds life to grow. Thank you for giving us the supplies.

Amen.



Jumper found on a school roof after 20 years!

Just goes to show, if you name your clothes they will get back to you 😊

Please ensure all of the children's items are labelled!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/66949843>

## Standard School Year 2023/2024

Recommended school term and holiday dates for the academic year 2023/2024 for West Sussex

### The School Year





	2023			
	September	October	November	December
Monday	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Tuesday	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26
Wednesday	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Thursday	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Friday	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Saturday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30
Sunday	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
	2024			
	January	February	March	April
Monday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Tuesday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Wednesday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
Thursday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Friday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Saturday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Sunday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
	May	June	July	August
Monday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Tuesday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Wednesday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Thursday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Friday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Saturday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31
Sunday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25

### Bank and Public Holidays 2023/2024

Christmas Holiday	25th December 2023	May Day	6th May 2024
Boxing Day	26th December 2023	Spring Bank Holiday	27th May 2024
New Year Day Holiday	1st January 2024	Summer Bank Holiday	26th August 2024
Good Friday	29th March 2024		
Easter Monday	1st April 2024		

### Useful Information

#### Term Lengths (days)

School holidays		September to October half term	36 days
		October to December	35 days
Bank holidays and national holidays		January to February half term	29 days
		February to April	29 days
Start of Term		April to May half term	29 days
		June to July	37 days
End of Term		<b>Total</b>	<b>195 days</b>

Please note that the first day of the autumn term in September 2024 will not be determined until the 2024/25 timetable has been consulted upon and approved.

# West Sussex SENDIAS Service

Is your child starting primary school or transferring to junior or secondary school in September 2024?

- Do you think, for whatever reason, you
- may struggle with the
- Admissions process?

## Secondary School

**Online applications open:**

Monday 04 September 2023.

**Deadline for applying for a secondary school place for your child is:**

Tuesday 31 October 2023.

## Primary School (inc. infant/junior)

**Online applications open:**

Monday 02 October 2023.

**Deadline for applying for a school place for your child is:**

Monday 15 January 2024.

For more information on the admissions process:

[www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions)

If so, the West Sussex SENDIAS Service can:

- explain the admissions process to you
- help you to make an informed decision about your child's schools of preference
- help you to fill in the online application form.

Please contact the SENDIAS Service:

Helpline: 0330 222 8555

Email: [send.ias@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:send.ias@westsussex.gov.uk)

[www.westsussexsendias.org](http://www.westsussexsendias.org)



## Safeguarding at Slindon

### What is safeguarding?

Visitors coming on to school premises, including the playground, have a duty of care towards the welfare and safety of the children and adults in the school. This is called safeguarding.

### Safeguarding means that:

- children are protected from maltreatment
- a child's health or development is protected
- children grow up with safe and effective care
- action is taken to ensure the best outcomes for all children

Safeguarding is the action we take to promote the welfare of children in our care to protect them from harm. **We take this responsibility very seriously** and we work in close partnership with parents and professionals to protect all of our children. The school will take any reasonable action to ensure the welfare and safety of its pupils is maintained.

Our staff and governors have been trained on safeguarding in line with the KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN EDUCATION document and have taken part in 'PREVENT'.

If you worried about a child's safety you can contact IFD (Integrated Front Door) directly on [01403 229900](tel:01403229900)

### Who to contact in our school

#### If in doubt, talk to someone... Designated Safeguarding Lead

Miss Laura Webb, Headteacher

#### Designated Safeguarding Deputies

Mrs Hazel Flower, School Business Manager

Mrs Karen Cooper, School Secretary

#### Safeguarding Governor

Mrs Katy Horner

Or you can email: [dsl@slindonprimary.co.uk](mailto:dsl@slindonprimary.co.uk)

**REMEMBER, KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TOO!**



**FREE!**

# ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL DISCOVERY DAY

Sat 30 Sept 2023 • 12.30pm-5pm

Activities are suitable for children aged 5+ and will include:  
a tour of the Cathedral - trail worksheets and quiz -  
making a prayer dove - exploring the mighty Hill Organ -  
being a chorister

Concludes with a short concert at 4pm in which all the attending children take part!

Use the QR code to book for the day:

**15** ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL  
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