

Newsletter

19th October 2018

A message from the Headmaster

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we near Harvest, we are reminded of the reasons to be grateful for all that we have.

I was particularly grateful for all the donations of food that we have received for City Mission, some of which, children bought with their own pocket money!

However, I have another very important reason to be grateful to parents and carers and that is for all the interest we are receiving this term from new families who have been referred to Windlesham School by our parents.

There is no more sincere expression of appreciation that parents and carers can offer a school than the recommendation to other families.

I thank you all and wish you a safe and happy holiday.

Best wishes,







Year 6 Senior Positions

The Year 6 senior positions have now been allocated for the year. The procedure used is intended to provide children with a basic understanding of democratic processes as well as the skills of applying for jobs. We were delighted by the interest and standard displayed by all pupils; those who made speeches and those who submitted applications. We are now proud to announce all positions.

The year 6 positions of leadership: Head Boy: Eli Head Girl: Katie Arundel House Captain: Billy and Jakob Bodiam House Captain: George and Ted Lewes House Captain: Hermione and Michael

The year 6 positions of responsibility: Charity Reps: Akim, Stan and Zach Science/Eco Reps: Akshay and Theo Library Reps: Amaya, DeAngelo, Daisy, Harry and Tilly Music and Arts Reps: Astrid, Mary and Sophie Sports Reps: Ben and Emma

Preparing children for life



General news

Parking

Please continue to help park responsibly along Dyke Road and the surrounding areas when you pick-up and drop-off children. Please pay particular attention to parking restrictions on zig zag lines, disabled bays and the Fairways Estate. This is much appreciated by the school and by our neighbours.

SHOW YOU CARE DON'T PARK ON THE ZIG ZAGS YOU COULD ENDANGER A CHILD'S LIFE

A balanced healthy lunchbox

Please remember we are a nut-free school when preparing lunchboxes. It is important to check labels as many products may contain a trace of nuts.

Thank you for your help in this matter. Please do not include any sweets in your child's lunchbox. A balanced, healthy lunchbox is really important.

Also, please could we ask all parents and carers to check the Portal to ensure you have informed us about any allergies your child might have.









Reception receive a special visit

This week, reception were lucky to have a visit from Mrs Jones' husband, Richard. He came to tell us about his work as a fire fighter and told us all about fire safety. Thank you very much to Richard for coming in to see us. The children really enjoyed themselves.

Reporter: Miss Jarman



Reminder

Please note that the girls' and boys' football clubs on Thursdays and Fridays will finish at 16:25 after half-term, due to diminishing light, therefore pick-up is at 16:25. Parents and carers will be billed accordingly for the shorter slot. If there are spaces available, children can join Windlefun after these clubs. Please book via the Portal.

School trips

Year 1 trip to Moshimo

Last week, year 1 enjoyed a wonderful and sunny trip to Moshimo. The children really enjoyed the bus ride. We sat on the top deck and admired the sights in Brighton on the way down. We managed to spot quite a lot of snails on the trail along the way. The people at Moshimo were so kind and welcoming and gave us a great lesson in making sushi and how to use chopsticks. We all came back to school full of delicious sushi and with plans to return to another Japanese restaurant in the near future. The class was so well behaved, a real credit to our school.

Reporter: Miss Higgs





Year 2 trip to the Royal Pavilion and i360

Year 2 had a great trip out to the i360 and the Royal Pavilion. It was a beautiful, clear day and we could see for miles. We enjoyed spotting some of Brighton's landmarks, especially the famous snails! At the Royal Pavilion, we were shown around the grand rooms of the building by a guide who provided lots of interesting facts about George IV. Our favourite room was the Dining Room where we were told that banquets took six hours to eat, with thirty six courses. We are now enjoying writing our own non-fiction books on the Royal Pavilion. We shall use all the interesting facts we learnt during the trip.

Reporter: Mrs Lilley





School trips

Year 3 trip to Butser Farm

As part of our Anglo Saxons and Vikings topic, year 3 visited Butser Farm. We learnt a lot about how the Anglo Saxons arrived and settled in England. We enjoyed many activities to help us learn more about their way of life. These included chalk carving, clunching, spinning and wattling. The children thoroughly enjoyed getting their hands dirty when helping to build a mud house!

Reporter: Miss May





Year 4 trip to Michelham Priory

Year 4 were treated to a visit to Michelham Priory to compliment their study of the Tudors. They took part in a dramatisation of Henry VIII and the fate of his six wives, presenting a brilliant opportunity for the children to bring to life one of the most famous stories in our history. They also had a tour of a Tudor kitchen and were invited to take part in a banquet. A walk around the beautiful grounds and a quick pit stop at the shop rounded off a fantastic day out. Reporter: Mrs Coego





School trips/ities



Year 5 trip to Petworth House

Below are extracts from reports written by some of the year 5 pupils

On our year 5 trip to Petworth house we saw what life was like in the Victorian times. We started the day by splitting into two different groups. One went into the Estate Office to learn how to polish copper kettles and clean shoes with boot polish.

Meanwhile, the other group went over to the main house. They walked down the stairs like Lords and Ladies. This house was very grand. Afterwards, we had lunch and soon after we started touring again. The activities we did in the afternoon were really fun and exciting. They included making butter in the dairy and tasting in the Still Room. The servant's corridor led to the kitchen with the big ovens. It was great dressing up as Victorians.

Reporters: Zoe, Elsa and Scarlett





On our year 5 trip, we got to dress up as our character in the year 5 play. I am the poor family's (the Browns) next door neighbour, as well as the maid of the Langhams, so I dressed up in a grey and white dress. Everyone's outfit was amazing!

Firstly, our group went with Lucy (Head of House Maids) to the storage room and office where she showed us how everything was in alphabetical order. There was a secret door where they stored gold! Then we split into even smaller groups where we polished shoes, beat a rug, polished copper and we looked at some of the objects Victorians used back in the days.

Afterwards, Mr. Dine (Butler) and Mrs Rollinson (House Keeper) showed us around the rest of the house. Apparently, workers were kept very busy. Cleaning fire places takes a lot of time, and in Petworth House there were a hundred fire places! Wow! We had a go at scrubbing the floor, and Mr. Dine showed us how to bow if you were a footman or butler. You bow down very fast then come up very slowly. They showed us the servants' quarters and we had lots of fun looking around them with Lucy.

After lunch, Mrs. Rollinson took our group to a storage room which had become a spice room for the day, She showed us how to lay a breakfast tray and the kinds of tea they had, including gunpowder green tea. Then she took us down to the dairy and showed us how they would make butter with a churn. She put milk into little containers and, in groups, we took turns to shake the container until it turned into butter. I was surprised to find it worked!

Our trip to Petworth was one of the best trips I've had so far in my time at Windlesham. I enjoyed every bit of it, but my favourite part was when we were polishing copper with Lucy. Or was it making butter? I don't know. But our form teachers, Mrs Carvey, Mrs Gallant, Mrs Colley and Mrs Fox have sent us on some exciting and excellent trips that educate us as well as entertain us.

Reporter: Rhea

School trips

Year 6 trip to Newhaven Fort

Year 6 enjoyed visiting Newhaven Fort and got an insight into the lives of the British people during the war. Below are some of their comments.

The children experienced life in the Air Raid Shelter as reported by Sophie, Hermione, Ted and Michael:

As we were sitting in the dark, deep dungeon, we could hear the sounds of bombs overhead. The seats vibrated and the ceiling lights swung from side to side. Suddenly it was all quiet and dark. It was a terrifying experience. We are lucky we were not alive back then!

Ben and Akshay enjoyed the artefacts at Newhaven Fort:

The sniper was really heavy and hard to reload. Akshay examined the hand grenade which had grooves to aid gripping and throwing. There were German and British soldiers' helmets and they were exquisite. We got to touch all of them. We got to model the helmet for Miss Thompsett. We got to touch the gas masks but not to wear them. We are lucky we are not at war today!

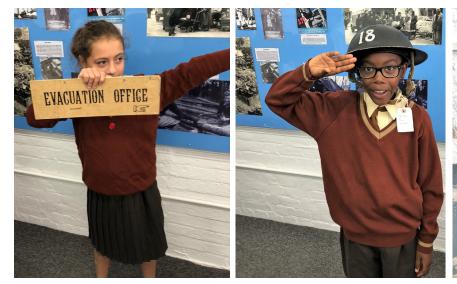
Zachary commented:

I really enjoyed Newhaven Fort because we learnt so many facts about WW 1 and WW 2. We learnt about air and sea raids. Newhaven Fort, built near the sea and on a hill, was good for looking out for enemy raids. Examining the weapons was great. Hand grenades were very heavy and it took eight seconds after you took the pin out for a grenade to explode. The Germans were throwing them back so the British designed them to explode in three or four seconds after pulling the pin.

Reporter: Ms O'Dowd









Sport

U11 Netball v BHP

Wednesday 26th September

Our year 6's visited Brighton and Hove Prep (BHP) for a friendly netball fixture. We quickly determined first centre pass and the first quarter started with some solid centre passes to our attacking end. They made swift work of getting the ball to our shooters, Katie and Tilly, who converted them into goals. With an early lead, we changed positions around with Daisy, Amaya and Mary taking up centre court roles and trying out some set pieces.

At half time, we were still in the lead and took the opportunity to change players. This quarter saw some very fluent play from the team which further extended our lead. The final quarter saw another move around for Hermione, Sophie and Emma, demonstrating that the girls are developing their versatility across the court. Well done to all the girls on their effort and confident win.

Girl of the game as voted by the opposition: Katie Coach's player: Emma

Reporter: Mrs Fox

U10 & U11 Versatility netball match

Wednesday 10th October

They year 5 and 6 girls came together for an afternoon of netball matches. We chose to run a versatility format which meant that all the girls rotated through team positions and helped with timing and scoring when off court. The 2-all score did not reflect the effort they put in throughout the game. It was great to see the sporting etiquette continue when the players handed out match teas and helped tidy up afterwards.

Players of the game as voted by the pupils: Rhea and Hermione.

Reporter: Mrs Fox





Sport

Football

Wednesday 17th October

Windlesham U11's played football against Lancing Hove. The A team match was billed as a clash of the local titans with two very strong undefeated sides. Windlesham could have taken the lead from a long-range shot by Ben, only to be denied by the thinnest layer of paint on the crossbar. The crowd could feel the mix of tension and excitement as the match looked destined for a 0-0 draw. The defence by Akshay and Zach remained rock-like until the last minute when Lancing had a speculative cross which swerved in the autumn breeze, deceiving the oustanding Jakob and creeping over the line. The first defeat for the U11's and we hope for a rematch in the near future.

The B team started very strongly, a penalty rifled in by the cool-headed Akim and a nonchalant chip from DeAngelo left the 30 strong crowd wanting more. Lancing clawed their way back into the game but it was Windlesham who took a 2-1 lead into half time. Under tremendous pressure, the Windlehsam defence by Micheal, Billy and Stan held out, and Eli showed cat-like reflexes in goal. As the final whistle blew, the players fell to their knees knowing they had given everything for the Windlesham shirt. A fine victory that will live long in the memory of those lucky enough to have witnessed it.

Reporter: Mr Freeborn





Swimming gala V BHP

Thursday 4th October

Windlesham School was delighted to host a swimming gala for years 3-6 against Brighton and Hove Prep. The standard of swimming was very high and the teams closely matched. Well done to all those involved and also many thanks to FOW for the much appreciated post-match tea.

Reporter: Mr Freeborn



Diary

Autumn 2018 Important dates contd

HALF TERM MONDAY 22 OCT - FRIDAY 2ND NOV

MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 2nd half of autumn term begins

TUESDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Years 4 to 6 Reasoning Workshop for Parents & Carers (coffee from 8.20): 8.30 - 9.30 (School Hall)

WEDNESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

Netball year 6: U11 v Shoreham College, 14.15 (Away)

THURSDAY 8TH NOVEMBER Nursery into reception presentation for

Parents & Carers (coffee from 8.30), 8.45 - 9.45 (School Hall) Years 3 to 6 Swimming Gala v Hurst:

17.00 (Away)

MONDAY 12TH NOVEMBER Anti-bullying week

TUESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

Year 5 residential trip meeting for Parents & Carers, 16.00 (School Hall)

THURSDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

Football and Netball: U9 v Shoreham College, 14.15 (Away)

FRIDAY 16TH NOVEMBER Children in Need Charity (details to follow)

TUESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER Years 3 & 4 Maths Workshop for Parents & Carers: 8.30 - 9.30 (School Hall)

THURSDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

Year 4 Assembly to Parents & Carers: 9.00 (School Hall) Football and Netball U9 v Lancing Worthing: 14.15 (Away)

WEDNESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

Football: U11 v Lancing Hove, 14.00 (Away) **Netball:** U11 v Moira House, 14.30 (Away)

Autumn 2018 Important dates contd

FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER FOW Christmas Fayre and non school uniform day

WEDNESDAY 5TH DECEMBER

Football and Netball U11 v Lancing Worthing: 14.30 (Away)

THURSDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Owlets and reception nativity performance: 11.00 (School Hall) Football: U9 v Lancing Hove, 14.00 (Away)

FRIDAY 7TH DECEMBER

FOW Upper School Disco: School Hall, (times TBC)

MONDAY 10TH DECEMBER

Lower School Crib Service rehearsal: 10.30 - 12.00 (years 1 & 2)

FOW Lower School Christmas Party Owlets to year 2: times TBC

TUESDAY 11TH DECEMBER

Lower School Crib Service at St Luke's Church: 14.00 - 15.00

WEDNESDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Upper School Church Service rehearsal: 9.00 - 12.00

THURSDAY 13TH DECEMBER

Upper School Church Service at St Luke's Church: 14.00 - 15.00

FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER

Last Day of Autumn Term Lunch time finish.

Friends of Windlesham



Friends of Windlesham

How to get involved

Friends of Windlesham (FOW) are the entire parent body of Windlesham School.

Join the FOW Committee

The Committee meets a minimum of 6 times per year (once per half term). Being on the Committee requires an average of 2 hours per week of your time.

Be a year group rwep

Year group representatives help FOW communicate with parents and carers of a specific year. They are involved in helping to design and plan activities for parents and carers of that year group.

Being a year group rep will require an average of 2 hours per month of your time.

Commit to plan a one-off event

All events and activities will be published at the beginning of the school year. Parents can then sign up to help plan and deliver specific activities as their time permits.

Volunteer at events

Every event and activity needs people to set up, run stalls and clear up afterwards. All help is welcome.

Volunteering at events requires an hour of your time for any specific event. Please contact chairperson@friendsofwindlesham.co.uk for more information and to get involved in any way that you can.

Key dates

Please ensure the following dates are in your diary

THURSDAY 29 NOVEMBER

Please bring in a bottle for the Christmas fayre

FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER Christmas fayre and own clothes day

FRIDAY 7 DECEMBER Upper School Christmas Disco

MONDAY 10 DECEMBER Lower School Christmas Party

Please come and join the fun, meet other parents and help the Windlesham community



Want to get involved or simply join in the fun? Please email chairperson@friendsofwindlesham.co.uk

Achievements

Merit Badges

The following children are to be congratulated for their tremendous effort or positive attitude (as at Friday 19th October 2018):

Lower School

Chris, Abdullah, Joshy, Florence, Annan, Teddy, Tamara, Arabella, Matthew, Milo and Jackson,

Upper School

Zack, Primrose, Ruby, Lila, Buckley, Scarlett, Hermione, Scarlet, William, Alex T, Jem, Alaska, Isaac, Michael M, Elise, George C, Alex C, Diego, Seb, Akim, Khadeeja, Charlie, Michael O, Ava, Orla, Elsa and Amaya.

Don't forget to check out our Facebook page

which is regularly updated with news of the latest events

www.facebook.com/WindleshamSchool

The Prefects for this part of the term are as follows:

2L	Milo Ellie
2S	ldrees Oscar
3M	Ores Elise
3K	Genie Carlina Charlie
4C	Claudia Isaac D
4M	Marina Alex
5C	Maria Theo
5G	Scarlett Ollie

The School Councillors are as follows:

Year 5 Maria, Orla, Yasin and Scarlett

- Year 4 Florence, James, Cameron and Isaac D
- Year 3 Elliot, Summer, Willow and Subhan



Facebook

and activities.

190 Dyke Road, Brighton, BN1 5AA Telephone 01273 553645

www.windleshamschool.co.uk

Newsletter Editor: Mrs S Blaylock