

## ACADEMIC YEAR 17/18

### MAY

MONDAY 7TH

#### BANK HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL

TUESDAY 8TH

FEDERATION PARENT SPELLING & GRAMMAR WORKSHOP  
@ FRAMFIELD 9-10AM AND @ BLACKBOYS 6-7PM

WEDNESDAY 9TH

PUPIL CAKE SALE IN AID OF EVELINA HOSPITAL, LONDON  
3.15-4.45PM  
BEDTIME AT BLACKBOYS 6-7PM

THURSDAY 10TH

ASSEMBLY 9-9.30AM ALL WELCOME  
CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM

FRIDAY 11TH

SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM  
GIRLS UNDER 9 FOOTBALL TEAM TO SEAFORD FOR  
ALBION CUP 9-3PM  
YEAR 6 CAFÉ 2.40-3.10PM

MON 14TH TO FRI 18TH

#### KS2 SATS WEEK

MONDAY 14TH

CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM

TUESDAY 15TH

YEAR 5/6 ROUNDERS TOURNAMENT ' UCTC BOTTOM FIELD  
3.45-5.15PM

THURSDAY 17TH

REV CHRIS LAWRENCE ASSEMBLY 9-9.30AM ALL WELCOME  
CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM

FRIDAY 18TH

SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM  
YEAR 5 CAFÉ 2.40-3.10PM

MONDAY 21ST

KS2 SWIMMING AT RINGMER POOL 8.45-9.45AM  
CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM  
CLASS 4 PARENTS TO HAND PASSPORTS & EHIC CARDS  
INTO SCHOOL OFFICE FOR FRENCH TRIP

WEDNESDAY 23RD

CLASS 4 TRIP TO FRANCE. PLEASE REFER TO THE LETTER  
SENT OUT

THURSDAY 24TH

LAST DAY OF TERM  
PTA DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF PROMISES FOR  
AUCTION OF PROMISES  
CLASS 4 PARENTS TO COLLECT PASSPORTS AND EHIC  
CARDS FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE  
CLASS 3 ASSEMBLY 9-9.30AM ALL WELCOME  
CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM

FRIDAY 25TH

#### INSET DAY

MONDAY 28TH MAY TO FRI-  
DAY 1ST JUNE

#### MID-TERM BREAK

### JUNE

MONDAY 4TH

RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR TERM 6  
KS2 SWIMMING AT RINGMER POOL 8.45-9.45AM  
CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM

#### INSET DAYS FOR 17/18

FRIDAY 20TH JULY



# Blackboys Newsletter

Friday 04th May 2018

Christian Value for Term 5: Understanding

#### Dear Parents / Carers

It was great to see so many of you at the Class planning meetings last week. We hope you are all well informed about your child's Class topic and goals for the Summer Term. As we mentioned in the letter sent during the first week back following the Easter break, Terms 5 and 6 are excitingly busy. We do try to give as much warning as possible with important dates. The parental online school diary, on our webpage is constantly being updated and you will find within the diary dates for the school production, class trips etc. Keep an eye on the homepage of the school website [www.blackboys.e-sussex.sch.uk](http://www.blackboys.e-sussex.sch.uk) and also our Twitter feed is growing in popularity @blackboysschool

#### Term 5 Charity

This term we are supporting the Evelina Hospital in London. Last week saw the first after school, pupil arranged, cake sale for this charity. The cake sale was hugely popular and raised an impressive £65. Well done to the group of girls from Year 2 and 3 who arranged this.

The Evelina Hospital has been chosen as this term's charity as the son, Seth, of a former Blackboys pupil (Vicky Hart, nee Cottingham) was born with a rare muscular disease, Centronuclear Myopa-

thy. This means his muscles are very weak, and he is unable to move like other babies of his age. Seth needs extra help with his breathing and due to his weakness is fed via a gastrostomy. Seth is now six months old and has spent four months of his life in hospital. Currently, Seth is under the care of the Evelina Hospital in London where he is having a tracheotomy fitted to help support his breathing. Seth is an alert, bright and cheerful baby and we know you will support us, as you always do, by generously donating any spare change to Thursday assemblies or the various cake sales that the pupils arrange.

#### Federation events next week

Next week there are two Federation events taking place at School.

Next Tuesday, 08th May, a Federation Spelling and Grammar workshop will take place. There are two times and venues to choose from (you don't have to attend both!). One workshop will take place at 9am at Framfield with the other taking place at Blackboys at 6pm

'Bedtime at Blackboys' is to take place next Wednesday 09th May 6-7pm.

Please refer to the information flyers which were sent out last week. There are also copies on display in the main hall window.

## PTA News

### PTA Quiz

The annual PTA Quiz, which took place in March raised £517.20. Thank you to all those who came along for the evening and tested their grey matter.



### Easter Fair

In its inaugural year, the Easter Fair held in March raised an amazing £1304.22. Again, thank to all those who came and supported either by helping, donating or actually attending the event.

Without you the Fair would not have been as successful as it has been.

### Sponsored Skip-a-Thon

A huge thank you to all those parents, carers, neighbours, family friends and even family animals who sponsored our pupils in the Sponsored Skip-a-Thon which took place last Friday. Despite the drizzly weather, all Classes managed to complete their allocated time frame of skipping. A huge well done to all. A staggering £799.00 has been raised from the day's skipping. Thank you. We are equally delighted the extent that skipping has really taken off at School and is now a staple activity for all break times. Its great to see all our pupils being so active.

### Gardening Afternoon

Thank you to those parents who joined staff taking time out of their Sunday afternoon on the 22nd April to come and tidy, weed and make the outside areas of school even more presentable. Your efforts were appreciated as always. We hope that next year attendance will increase as many hands make lighter work.

### Auction of Promises

The PTA are busily preparing themselves for the hotly anticipated Auction of Promises which is to take place on the evening of Friday 15th June at School. As per the letter sent out earlier this week if you have a 'Promise' which you can donate and would like adding to the Auction of Promises Catalogue please inform [bbauctionofpromises@gmail.com](mailto:bbauctionofpromises@gmail.com) or inform the School Office as soon as possible and by at the very latest Thursday 24th May.



### Beat The Street is Back!



We are super excited to announce that 'Beat The Street' will return to the streets of East Sussex again during June and July. For those who are new to 'Beat The Street'; this new initiative was launched last year. Everyone (yes, EVERYONE!) is invited to play the walking and cycling challenge. Tapping two Beat Boxes (which will be located in various towns around East Sussex) within an hour records a journey. The idea is to tap as many boxes in succession as you can, accumulating points for your School.

For more information please visit [www.beatthestreet.me/eastsussex](http://www.beatthestreet.me/eastsussex)

Beat The Street fobs and maps will be distributed to Schools early part of June and we will send these home via your child's bag. More information will be sent nearer the time. Last year we placed 3rd in the rural schools category and are looking forward to trying to beat this ranking this time round!

### Chess

It has been a super week for chess at the school.

Last weekend, Hugo Ullmann travelled to Birmingham to represent Sussex in a large tournament. Although tough conditions, Hugo himself performed well and learnt a lot from this high-intensity experience.

On a domestic level, the 2 school teams have been in action this week, claiming some mighty scalps on the way! The A team, playing in Sussex Division 2, came 2nd in their tournament, pushing the mighty Hurst College into third place no less. Top work from Hugo Ullmann, Sam Godfrey, Thea Godfrey and Lucien Bourgeois

The B team, playing in Division 3, went one better, winning their tournament, which took place here at school. The team were particularly delighted to beat the previously invincible Ardingly College, as well as Little Common School. Great performances in this team, captained by Tom Aldridge and supported by Lowenna Godfrey, Camille Bourgeois and Evie Doherty.

### Allergy Awareness Reminder

As you may be aware, we have a number of children at school with allergies. Due to this, the Governors drew up a Allergy Awareness Policy. As part of this policy we ask parents to refrain from sending peanut based products into school. This is important for both packed lunches and birthday related treats. It is vitally important for us that all children are safe within school and we know we can rely on parents making sensible choices. If you require any further information on this, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Sullivan

## Gold Book Awards for W/B 23rd April

### Class 1

Finlay Taylor- For good listening and following instructions.

Monty Coates- For super effort in Maths.

Reuben Saunders- For being the best he can be.

### Class 2

Art Redman- For consistently good work in Maths.

Willem Orgill- For improving by 20 marks in his spelling assessment.

Arthur Farley- For trying hard in his Maths group.

### Class 3

Isaac Cottingham- For great work with times tables.

Hugo Ullmann- For great descriptive writing.

Callum Willcox- For excellent ideas in his reading group.

### Class 4

Isla Blackmore- For impressing with both Literacy and Numeracy.

Megan Wood- For showing dedication to her SATS practice.

Harry Miles- For working harder and for trying to improve his attitude to learning.

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