

ACADEMIC YEAR 18/19

APRIL

FRIDAY 5TH

LAST DAY OF TERM 4  
SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM  
END OF TERM CUP ASSEMBLY 2.15-3.15PM ALL WELCOME

MONDAY 8TH—  
MONDAY 22ND

EASTER BREAK!

SATURDAY 13TH

DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING FOR ASSA EASTER HOLIDAY FOOTBALL COURSE  
TAKING PLACE ON WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL

TUESDAY 16TH

PRIMARY SCHOOL ALLOCATION DAY FOR PLACES WITHIN YR R SEPTEMBER  
19/20. ESCC WILL NOTIFY PARENTS VIA EMAIL

WEDNESDAY 17TH

ALL STAR SOCCER ACADEMY EASTER HOLIDAY FOOTBALL COURSE @  
SCHOOL 9.30AM-3PM

TUESDAY 23RD

**RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR START OF TERM 5**  
DURING FIRST FEW DAYS BACK TO SCHOOL, SUMMER TERM CLUBS LETTER  
AND WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTED

WEDNESDAY 24TH

AFTER-SCHOOL CHESS CLUB RECOMMENCES FOR  
SUMMER TERM 3.15-4.15PM

PTA MEETING, 7.45PM+ AT THE BLACKBOYS INN

THURSDAY 25TH

LUNCHTIME GUITAR CLUB RECOMMENCES FOR SUMMER TERM 12-1PM  
CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL FOR SELECTED PUPILS 1-3PM

FRIDAY 26TH

KS2 SWIMMING @ RINGMER ACADEMY 8.30-10.15AM  
SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM  
LUNCHTIME GUITAR CLUB RECOMMENCES FOR SUMMER TERM 12-1PM  
AMEX STADIUM TOUR FOR KS2 FOOTBALL CLUB 4-6.15PM

SUNDAY 28TH

PTA SCHOOL SPRING TIDY-UP 2-4PM ALL WELCOME!

MONDAY 29TH

RETURN OF ALL LUNCHTIME AND AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS  
CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

MAY

THURSDAY 2ND

CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL FOR SELECTED PUPILS 1-3PM

FRIDAY 3RD

KS2 SWIMMING @ RINGMER ACADEMY 8.30-10.15AM  
SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM  
YEAR R CAFÉ ALL WELCOME! 2.45-3.10PM

MONDAY 6TH

BANK HOLIDAY!

TUESDAY 7TH

CLASS 3 TO SUSSEX COUNTY CRICKET GROUND FOR  
SCHOOLS DAY 2019 12.30-6.30PM

THURSDAY 9TH

CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL FOR SELECTED PUPILS 1-3PM

FRIDAY 10TH

KS2 SWIMMING @ RINGMER ACADEMY 8.30-10.15AM  
SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM  
YEAR 6 CAFÉ ALL WELCOME! 2.45-3.10PM

MONDAY 13TH -  
FRIDAY 17TH

KS2 SATS WEEK

MONDAY 13TH

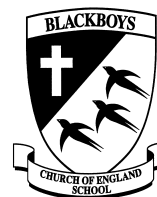
CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

THURSDAY 16TH

CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL FOR SELECTED PUPILS 1-3PM

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# Blackboys Newsletter

Friday 05th April 2019

Christian Value for Term : RESPECT

Dear Parents / Carers,

We seem to be very quickly at the end of a extremely rewarding term. It has given staff great pleasure in the amount of progress seen in classes and the increased number of children "being the best they can be" each and every day. As we enter the Easter break, it may be a good time for families to reflect together on the words in Galatians 6:9 *"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."*

On the theme of not giving up, families may enjoy having a go at this puzzle over the holidays. **What is the only number in the English language whose letters are in the correct alphabetical order? And for a bonus point, what is the only number whose letters are in REVERSE order?**

Please let Mr Sullivan know your answers after the Easter Holiday for House Point rewards.

Following a meeting with interested parents in term 3, during term 5 we will have news of some exciting small changes to the school uniform

and how it can be ordered. But in the meantime, could we remind pupils and parents that coloured novelty earrings are not part of our uniform. If children have their ears pierced then they may wear discrete metal studs, saving more extravagant items for after school, weekends and holidays. Likewise, there is an expectation that children will wear traditional black school shoes, and not fashionable trainer/'sneaker' versions. Our uniform is something that is very important to the school and the pride felt by our community should not be eroded away. We appreciate your support on this in advance.

Don't forget there is a Soccer School run by our friends and associates All Star Soccer taking place in the Easter break.

It is not too late to sign your child up for this day of footballing fun! Please complete the form or email head@blackboys.e-sussex.sch.uk to reserve your child's place.



### **Class 4, Term 5 arrangements**

During term 5, Year 6 will be undertaking their KS2 SATs from week commencing Monday 13th May. In preparation of the SATs the class is to be split during the mornings following the return from the Easter break. Year 6 will be taught in the Jubilee Barn by Miss Cross and Mrs Page. Year 6 will be practicing past papers and reviewing areas which they feel they could improve on. Year 5 will be taught in Class by our regular 1:1 and small group teacher Mrs Riley each morning. Mrs Riley is particularly looking forward to studying Michael Morpurgo's classic book, Kensuke's Kingdom with Year 5. The Class will reunite in the afternoon to complete regular topic work. Year 6 Parents/Carers please refer to the letter which was sent out via your child's bag on 04th April for further information relating to what your child will need to bring to School.

### **School Lunch, Summer Menu**

Sent alongside the electronic version of this newsletter, please find the Summer lunch menu issued via our catering providers, Chartwells. The menu will be effective immediately upon our return from the Easter break. A hard copy of this will be sent home via your child's bag on the first day back to School, Tuesday 23rd April.

### **Operation Encompass**

In conjunction with Sussex Police we are informing you that we have been given the opportunity as a School to take part in a new operation that will run jointly with Sussex Police. Operation Encompass has been designed to provide early reporting to schools / colleges of any domestic abuse incidents that occur in which a child was present, ordinarily resides at the incident location or with an involved party. We know that children can be significantly affected through witnessing or being exposed to domestic abuse and this operation will allow us to better support our pupils and their families.

A nominated member of staff, known as a Key Adult, has been trained to liaise with the police. At Blackboys our Key Adult is the Designated Safeguard Lead and Headteacher, Mr Sullivan. They will be able to use information that has been shared with them, in confidence, to ensure that the right support is available should it be required by a child and / or their family. We are keen to offer the best support available to our pupils and we believe this is going to be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

### **After School Chess Club Participants, Academy Event**

Please find, sent alongside the electronic version of the newsletter, information relating to an Academy Event taking place during the Easter break.

### **PTA News**

There will be a PTA meeting taking place on the evening of Wednesday 24th April, 7.45pm at The Blackboys Inn. All very much welcome to join in and discuss Summer term events.

Thank you to all parents/carers and friends of the School who attended the well supported PTA Quiz Night. A thoroughly enjoyable evening was had by all. A massive thanks to Mrs Natalie Dunbar for cooking and providing such a delicious feast for supper in the form of a home cooked Curry. Grateful thanks to Mr and Mrs Lynch the question masters for putting together a fantastic array of quiz rounds and questions.

### **FaB Fest!**

Thank you to all those who supported the inaugural FaB Fest. The event held last week on Thursday and Friday was a great success for the Federation. If you have missed the local media coverage please see the links below to catch up on the news; <http://uckfieldnews.com/blackboys-and-framfield-schools-celebrate-creativity/> and <http://www.uckfieldfm.co.uk/2019/local-news/blackboys-school-creativity-festival/>

We look forward to making the festival part of our School celebrations and yearly events.



### **Gold Book Awards for Week Beginning 25th March 2019**

#### Class 1

Tilly Clayson- For positive attitude towards her learning.

Bertie Coles- For being an amazingly helpful member of Class 1.

Eva Cottingham- For working hard to improve her reading skills.

#### Class 2

Piers Redman- For making great contributions in class.

Maisie Mulcahy- For writing a tremendous riddle.

Leo Blackmore- For working hard on his reading and spelling.

#### Class 3

Arthur Farley- For great homework.

Kailah Hill- For being a positive member of the class.

Isaac Cottingham- For some great writing.

#### Class 4

Noah Farley- For a wonderful effort in FaB Fest.

Sam Godfrey- For a wonderful effort in FaB Fest.

Sarah Lehotzky- For being a shining beacon of example.

**REMAINING INSET DAYS**

**FOR 18/19:**

MONDAY 22ND JULY 2019

TUESDAY 23RD JULY 2019