

ACADEMIC YEAR 19/20

SEPTEMBER

FRIDAY 20TH

SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM
YEAR 6 CAFÉ ALL WELCOME! 2.40-3.10PM

MONDAY 23RD -
FRIDAY 27TH

BIKEABILITY FOR YEAR 6 PUPILS 9.15AM-10.45AM / 11AM-12.30PM

MONDAY 23RD

CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

TUESDAY 24TH

SELECTED YR5/6 PUPILS TO FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT @ MANOR PRIMARY
SCHOOL 3.45-5.30PM

WEDNESDAY 25TH

NO BREAKFAST CLUB OR BIKEABILITY
HARVEST FESTIVAL @ ST THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH, FRAMFIELD 9-10AM
KS2 RAMBLE FROM CHURCH TO SCHOOL 10AM-1PM (BRING PACKED LUNCH)
FIRST WEEK FOR CHESS BEGINNERS 3.15-4.15PM

THURSDAY 26TH

ACT OF WORSHIP LED BY CLIVE CERNICK 9-9.30PM ALL WELCOME
SELECTED PUPILS CLASS 3 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

FRIDAY 27TH

SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM
PTA AGM IN THE JUBILEE BARN 2.45-3.15PM ALL WELCOME
YEAR 5 CAFÉ ALL WELCOME! 2.40-3.10PM
HOCKEY CLUB RECOMMENCES 3.15-4PM

MONDAY 30TH

CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

OCTOBER

THURSDAY 3RD

WHOLE SCHOOL SKIPPING WORKSHOP DAY
SELECTED PUPILS CLASS 3 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

FRIDAY 4TH

SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM
SELECTED PUPILS TO ALBION IN THE COMMUNITY U11 GIRLS EAST SUSSEX
TOURNAMENT @ EASTBOURNE BOROUGH FOOTBALL CLUB 9.30AM-2.30PM
YEAR 4 CAFÉ ALL WELCOME! 2.40-3.10PM

MONDAY 7TH

CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

TUESDAY 8TH

KS1 PARENTS PHONICS WORKSHOP IN THE SCHOOL HALL 9-10AM
SELECTED YEAR 4/5/6 PUPILS GIRLS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT @ MANOR
PRIMARY SCHOOL 3.45-5.15PM

WEDNESDAY 9TH

CLASS 2 TRIP TO HASTINGS. RNLI AND SHIPWRECK MUSEUM.9AM-3PM

THURSDAY 10TH

ACT OF WORSHIP LED BY REV CHRIS 9-9.30PM ALL WELCOME
SELECTED PUPILS CLASS 3 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

FRIDAY 11TH

SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM
YEAR 3 CAFÉ ALL WELCOME! 2.40-3.10PM

INSET DAYS:

Friday 20th December 2019
Friday 3rd April 2020
Friday 10th July 2020



Blackboys Newsletter

Friday 20th September 2019

Christian Value for Term : Perseverance

Dear Parents / Carers,

We are already at the end of the third week into the Autumn term. We have been delighted that all children have settled into (or back into) school life incredibly well; focussed and energised for learning.

New parents may be interested to learn that this is the first of our fortnightly newsletters we produce. A huge amount of school news is communicated in this way and we hope that you find this, and future editions, informative.

In our acts of worship, we have been exploring our school motto "Be the best you can be; Living life in all its fullness" (John 10:10). The children have enjoyed looking deeper into the sheep and shepherd metaphor themes within John 10 and now have a greater understanding of what "Life in all its fullness" means.

Class 4 PGL

Class 4 spent last week on the bi-annual residential trip to PGL at Windmill Hill. The children stay in rooms of 4-6 pupils within cabins and learn a lot about both themselves and their friends. The children are encouraged to live well together and we have a room inspection competition to encourage this. For some, it is their first experience of being away from their family, and it is good to see children grow in confidence and independence. During the week, the children embark on outdoor and adventurous activities such as climbing, tunnelling and fencing.



were tremendously well behaved and this, and their manners, were often mentioned by PGL staff. There will soon be a gallery of pictures on the school website for parents to see the fun time had by all.

Twitter

Please be aware that Blackboys School is on Twitter. News and events from our



school are tweeted regularly. Please keep an eye on @blackboysschool. We regularly tweet things which are happening at our School! It's also a great way of seeing what the children are experiencing and can be used as a discussion point with your children at home.



It was a great trip this year. The children

Harvest Festival, Wednesday 25th September

As communicated within our 'welcome back to school & clubs letter', our annual Harvest Festival will take place next week on Wednesday 25th September at St Thomas á Becket Church, Framfield. We are asking that all children are **dropped off directly** to the church on this morning from 8.30am and the service will start at 9.00am prompt. Parents are of course welcome to join us for this annual celebratory service. There will be the traditional collection of non-perishable food items, which will be donated to Uckfield Foodbank. Please see below ideas of what can be brought as a donation.



Harvest Festival Shopping List

The Foodbank currently has plenty of pasta, cereal and baked beans. They would be most grateful for: *Tinned/powdered potato *Pasta sauce *Long life Fruit juice. Other suggestions include: *Tinned vegetables *Instant coffee *Tinned rice pudding *Custard *Tinned meat *Tinned fruit *Tinned soup

*Sponge pudding *Jam *Biscuits/snacks

Thank you for all your support

Following the service our **KS1 (classes 1&2)** pupils will be taking **back to school via coach**. **KS2 (classes 3&4)** will be **hiking** back from the Church. Please ensure that your child brings with them in a bag to the Church: wellies or walking boots, a change of clothes, weather

dependent outer wear and a packed lunch. A rucksack would be best to make carrying easier.

Parent Governor Election

Included within this Newsletter is a letter from our Chair of Governors Mrs Katharine Rabson Stark. The Governing Body has a vacancy for a Parent Governor. If you wish to stand for election, please complete the Nomination Form and return it to the School Office by 12 noon Wednesday 02nd October.

Yr 6 Secondary Applications

A reminder for all Year 6 Parents/Carers that their Secondary School applications for a place within Year 7, 20/21 needs to be completed via the ESCC online portal by **Thursday 31st October**.

Aldi 'Kit for Schools'

We have signed up for the Aldi 'kit for schools' scheme. Aldi is giving Primary Schools the chance to win £20,000 to "kick start a legacy for healthy pupils". Each time you spend £30 in store you will be given a token. The School needs to collect 300 tokens which if we do, we will receive an "exclusive school sports kit" along with the chance to win £20,000. Tokens can be brought into the School Office where we hope to hit the magic 300! Thank you for your support.

Prefects

We are delighted to announce that our school prefects for the coming year will be: Noah Farley, Sam Godfrey, Abigail Whiteman, Lola Ramel, Sarah Lehotzky, and Lissy Sheffield-Robson (who has the role of senior prefect). Prefect with special responsibilities for technology is Willow Rideout; Eco-reps with special responsibilities for the environment are Tiya Ward, Natasha Whiteman, Hugo Ullmann and Owen Cottingham

We know they will be excellent ambassadors for our school.

PTA AGM

All parents/carers are encouraged to join the PTA annual general meeting next Friday 27th September starting at 2.45pm in the Jubilee Barn at School. There will be lots to discuss at the AGM including voting on a new Chair and Vice Chair. Current Chair, Mr Rob Wevill and Vice Chair, Mrs Jemma Hill will be standing down and replacements will be voted on during the meeting. If you can make the AGM we really do urge you to attend. Thanks must be extended to Mr Wevill and Mrs Hill for their time in both posts.

Skipping Workshop

We are delighted to once again be welcoming Jamie Pettitt, skipping expert back to Blackboys on Thursday 03rd October. Jamie last visited us during the Spring term of 2018 and all children thoroughly enjoyed their sessions with her. Jamie returns for the Autumn term to further teach the basic skipping skills as well as more advanced skipping such as 'double unders' and even 'triple unders'! Jamie will be selling skipping ropes at the end of the school day for £4 or £5 for solar ropes (change colour in the sun).

Gold Book Awards for week beginning 9th September

Class 1

Karina Eldrett- For writing an interesting sentence about ambulances.
Alex Gill- For improving his letter formation and handwriting.
Benjy Cottingham- For settling into school well and for making good friendships.

Class 2

Nico Jacques- For constructing his sentences well.
Joseph Mylon- For independently taking on Maths challenges.
Harrison Brodie- For showing that he is always "being the best he can be".

Class 3

Emilia Butler- For working hard in class and for learning her times tables.
Rhys Williams- For excellent place value work in Maths.
Ayla Wright- For making a quicker start to her classwork..

Class 4

Class 4 were at PGL and should all receive recognition for their behaviour, manners and efforts during the week.