

ACADEMIC YEAR 16/17

MARCH 2017

TUESDAY 07TH

YEAR 6 TRIP TO LONDON & THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT. PLEASE REFER TO SEPARATE LETTER SENT OUT.

3.45-5.00PM YR 5 TAG RUGBY COACHING @ UCTC BOTTOM FIELD. PLEASE REFER TO SEPARATE LETTER SENT OUT.

WEDNESDAY 08TH

CLASS 1 TRIP TO DRUSILLAS. PLEASE REFER TO LETTER SENT OUT.

THURSDAY 09TH

REV CHRIS ASSEMBLY - ALL WELCOME IN THE SCHOOL HALL 9.00AM+

FRIDAY 10TH

8.30AM SMOOTHIE FRIDAY IN THE PLAYGROUND!
CAFE YEAR R, ALL PARENTS WELCOME IN SCHOOL HALL 2.40PM+

TUESDAY 14TH

3.15PM+ YEAR 1 PARENTAL WORKSHOP FOR PHONICS AT BLACKBOYS HOSTED BY MISS STEVENS AND MRS SULLIVAN. A CRECHE WILL BE AVAILABLE.

YR 3/4 TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT @ UCTC BOTTOM FIELD 3.45-5.15PM. PLEASE REFER TO SEPARATE LETTER SENT OUT.

THURSDAY 16TH

CLASS 3 ASSEMBLY - ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND, SCHOOL HALL 9.00AM+

CLASS 4 AND EAGLES CLASS FRAMFIELD TRIP TO SEVEN SISTERS - RIVER CUCKMERE. PLEASE REFER TO SEPARATE LETTER SENT OUT.

FRIDAY 17TH

ANY SPONSORSHIP FORMS FOR MR SULLIVANS HALF MARATHON ON SUNDAY 19 03 17 TO BE INTO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY 3.15PM

BLAST SCIENCE CLASS 2/FRAMFIELD KINGFISHERS 'THE SCIENCE OF CHOCOLATE DAY'. AT BLACKBOYS. INCORPARATING CLASS 2 CAFE - ALL PARENTS WELCOME IN SCHOOL HALL. 2.40PM+.

SELECTED PUPILS FROM YEARS 4,5 & 6 RINGMER PRIMARY CROSS COUNTRY EVENT TAKING PLACE ON RINGMER ACADEMY FIELD. LEAVE BLACKBOYS 1PM, START 1.45 AT RINGMER, FINISH BY 2.30PM RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR END OF DAY.

REMAINING INSET DAYS FOR 16/17:
FRIDAY 21ST JULY 2017



Blackboys Newsletter

Friday
03rd March 2017

Dear Parents / Carers

We hope that you had a restful February mid term break. What a busy first two weeks to Term 4 it has been: From celebrating World Book Day this week to last week's Parent Consultations. The rest of the term is jam packed with school trips and events, and we look forward to giving you a round up of these through our fortnightly school newsletter.

Parent Consultations

Thank you to all Parents who attended the Spring term Parent consultations and to all Parents who took the time to complete the annual Parent Questionnaire. The results are currently being collated and will be communicated to you in a forthcoming newsletter. If you weren't able to make an appointment slot with your child's teacher, please do make contact with the School Office to arrange a mutually convenient time.

English Workshops

Following the success of our recent parental Maths workshops we have arranged for some English workshops to take place. Please see information which has been sent out via ParentMail at the start of this term. A workshop will take place at both Federation schools as per the dates and times detailed and you are welcome to attend either one.



English Workshop for Parents/Carers



Following the recent success of the Maths Workshops, we offer the opportunity to all Parents/Carers to attend the forthcoming English Workshops as detailed below. We look forward to seeing you!

Purpose of Workshop:
To give parents and carers of children across the Federation the opportunity to see how to support English at home and to understand what this looks like across both schools.

- These will be the aims of the workshop:
- To better understand how English is taught across the primary phase.
 - Know about how SPaG is taught.
 - The importance of reading and spelling.
 - How you can help at home.



Who are the Workshops for?
These workshops are for all age groups and are designed to enable parents to find out more about English in a friendly environment. There is no expectation that anyone attending will have an expertise in English, or that they will have to do any English work during the session!

When?	Where?
Wednesday 22 nd March 9-10am	Blackboys School
Thursday 23 rd March 7-8pm	Framfield School

Both sessions will cover the same topics, so attendance to both is not necessary. Parents from across the Federation are welcome to attend either session at their convenience.

We are keen as a Federation to involve parents as much as possible in children's learning. Should these events be successful, further sessions will be planned for future dates.

We look forward to welcoming you to these sessions.

Mrs A Clarke
Federation English Lead



Smoothie Friday

Our weekly smoothie Friday started last week, with our second successful smoothie morning having taken place this morning. It's been great to see so many pupils queuing for their smoothie and taking part in this healthy initiative!

This really is a nice way to start a Friday. Our Breakfast Club serves all customers from the small kitchen hatch in the playground. Please do come along from 8.30am where for 50p your child can kick start their day with a fruity/vegetable boost.

World Book Day



Yesterday, Thursday 02nd March saw a school full of Super Heroes. In celebration of World Book Day pupils and staff dressed up as their favourite Super Hero from a book or comic. We are sure that you will agree with us



that everyone looked amazing, thoroughly entering into the true spirit of being a Super Hero!

Pupils were also sent home with a World Book Day token to spend or exchange on a book (specified titles only) in participating retailers, so don't forget to purchase your book this weekend!



Rather excitingly we will be having Scholastic Travelling Book Fair visit Blackboys for a week from Thursday

16th – Thursday 23rd March. The Books will be located in the School Hall during this period and you will be given the opportunity along with your child to come along to make any potential purchases after school each day. A letter with further information relating to this will be sent out next week.

Class 1 Assembly

Whilst dressed as Super Heroes, Class 1 delivered another amazing Class assembly. They have obviously learnt a lot about this term's topic 'African Adventure'. All Class 1 pupils spoke incredibly clearly and showed their handmade silhouette pictures. They also beautifully recited a poem and even sang a song in Swahili! Thank you to all Parents who attended and watched the assembly, and of course to the Class 1 team who as ever had put an awful lot of time and effort in.

Assembly dates and Easter Service

Please find below dates for your diary for forthcoming class assemblies, Easter Service and End of Term Cup Assembly.

Class 3 Assembly	Thursday 16th March, School Hall 9.05am+
Easter Service	Monday 27th March, St Thomas á Becket Church, Framfield, 9.00am+
Class 4 Assembly	Thursday 30th March, School Hall 9.05am+
End of Term Cup Assembly	Friday 31st March, School Hall 2.00pm+

Return of Cups & Awards

Please can all recipients of a cup/award presented at the end of Autumn term return them to the School Office by Wednesday 22nd March 2017 in preparation of the end of term cup assembly.
Many thanks!

Charity, Term 4

The School Council have decided upon supporting Cystic Fibrosis Trust as this term's charity. All collection monies from Thursday assemblies will be collected in aid of this worthy charitable organisation.

The Trust is set up and are working towards a brighter future for everyone with cystic fibrosis by funding cutting-edge research, driving up standards of care and supporting people with the condition and their loved ones every step of the way.

We look forward to supporting this charity and raising as much as we can.



As you will remember Term 3's charity was Unicef. The map created by



the pupils on the playground using loose change was incredible. We will let you know how much in total was raised for Unicef in the next newsletter.

PTA Quiz Night
Don't forget to book your table for the forthcoming PTA Quiz Night, Friday 17th March. Please see enclosed flyer for further information.

Hastings Half Marathon!

Don't forget to collect guesses for Mr Sullivan's Hastings Half Marathon run, 19/03/17. £1 per guess of his official finish time with £25 going to the closest 'guesser'. More forms are available from the school office. All money raised will be split between the Blackboys and Framfield PTAs.

Gold Book Awards for week of 27th February:

Class 1:

Maisie Mulcahy—for being super observant in the capacity lessons.

Tyler Stenning—for super concentration and effort in PE.

Zac Sharp—for always being the best he can be.

Class 2:

Astrid Willcox—for a creative set of Superhero Underpants!

Lowenna Godfrey—for beautiful packaging for her chocolate bar.

Miles Redman—for beautiful packaging for his chocolate bar.

Class 3:

Fletcher Willcox—for his passion and enthusiasm in our Extreme Earth topic—especially this week when researching about Volcanoes.

Hugo Ullmann—for his contributions and attitude towards our Geography and Science work.

Owen Cottingham—for persevering and striving to be the best he can be in Art.

Class 4:

April Willcox—for saving the day in Geography!

Brandon Willcox—for great effort with his spellings with Mrs Vance.

Isabell Quinn—for some excellent work solving Maths questions.