

SEPTEMBER	ACADEMIC YEAR 17/18
MONDAY 25TH—FRIDAY 29TH	AM SESSIONS—BIKEABILITY FOR YR6—PLEASE REFER TO LETTER SENT OUT.
TUESDAY 26TH	YR 5/6 FAB FOOTBALL TEAM PLAYING AT MANOR. PLEASE SEE LETTER SENT OUT TO INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS. 3.45-5.30PM
WEDNESDAY 27TH	RETURN OF CONSENTS FOR INDIVIDUAL PUPILS INVITED TO LONDON, THE NATIONAL GALLERY ON TUES 03/10/17
THURSDAY 28TH	NO BREAKFAST CLUB AS HARVEST FESTIVAL
	HARVEST FESTIVALS AT FRAMFIELD CHURCH, ST THOMAS Á BECKET CHURCH. PLEASE DROP YOUR CHILD OFF FROM 8.30AM+. PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. BIKEABILITY WILL START ONCE THE YR 6'S HAVE RETURNED TO SCHOOL.
FRIDAY 29TH	EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES, CHILDREN INVITED INTO SCHOOL FROM 8.25AM—SCHOOL HALL. CAFE YEAR 3 IN SCHOOL HALL. ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND. 2.40PM+
OCTOBER	
MONDAY 02ND	CLASS 2 TRIP TO MICHELHAM PRIORY
TUESDAY 03RD	INDIVIDUALLY INVITED PUPILS TO NATIONAL GALLERY LONDON. PLEASE REFER TO LETTER SENT OUT. PARENT CONSULTATIONS SIGN UP SHEETS UP. CLASS 1 SIGN UP SHEET ON THE BACK DOOR ENTRANCE TO THE CLASSROOM. ALL OTHER CLASSES SIGN UP SHEET LOCATED IN THE PLAYGROUND IF DRY, IF WET IN THE OFFICE AREA.
THURSDAY 05TH	REV GUY ASSEMBLY - ALL WELCOME. 9.05AM
FRIDAY 06TH	INSET DAY AT SCHOOL—NO PUPILS IN SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 11TH	MAYA WORKSHOP - DR DAVIES IN CLASS 4. PM SESSION.
THURSDAY 12TH	REV CHRIS ASSEMBLY, SCHOOL HALL. ALL WELCOME TO JOIN. 9.05AM
FRIDAY 13TH	WEEKLY SMOOTHIE FRIDAY ALL SMOOTHIES 50P! 8.30AM IN THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND. CAFE YEAR 5 IN SCHOOL HALL. ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND. 2.40PM+

INSET DAYS FOR 17/18:

FRIDAY 06TH OCTOBER 2017
TUESDAY 02ND JANUARY 2018
FRIDAY 25TH MAY 2018
FRIDAY 20TH JULY 2018



Blackboys Newsletter

Friday

22nd September 2017

Dear Parents / Carers

We hope you have all settled back into the new academic year, and we extend a welcome to all new parents to our school. New parents may be interested to learn that this is the first of our fortnightly newsletters we produce for parents. A huge amount of school news is communicated in this way and we hope that you find this, and future editions, informative.

Harvest Festival, Thursday 28th September

As communicated within our 'welcome back to school & clubs letter', our annual Harvest Festival will take place next week at St Thomas á Becket Church, Framfield. We are asking that all children are **dropped off directly** to the church on this morning from 8.40am 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 shared between Uckfield Foodbank and The Malthouse Trust.



Following the service all pupils will be taken back to school via coach.

REMINDER—THERE WILL BE NO BREAKFAST CLUB FACILITY ON THURSDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER DUE TO THE HARVEST FESTIVAL.

Parking

Please can we remind parents/carers and all people who collect pupils to park with care and courtesy to the local neighbourhood. We have unfortunately already experienced complaints from local residents about the parking situation at school drop off and collection times. We would like to actively encourage as many parents as possible to park at the Blackboys Inn and walk the 3 minutes to School. At no point should anyone park on the yellow zig zags outside of School, over a resident's driveway or on a corner where visibility for pedestrians may be impeded. We have been contacted by the local authority who will be re-painting the zig zag lines and also carrying out 'spot checks' from time to time ensuring that the zig zags remain constantly clear.



Prefects

We are delighted to announce that our school prefects for the coming year will be: Thea Godfrey, Sam Stephens, Martha Doherty, Lola Giles, Isla Rideout and Harry Stacey. We know they will be excellent ambassadors for our school.

Beat the Street

Thank you to all pupils and parents who took part in 'Beat the Street' during term 6 of last academic year. It was a really fun, healthy and easy initiative which we enjoyed taking part in. We were delighted to learn that Blackboys CEP School had come third in the rural schools table of the competition. On Monday 18th, three keen 'Beat the Street-ers' visited Grovelands Primary School where a cheque for £100 and certificate was awarded. We have already earmarked the money and we will be investing in some new playtime equipment. Thank you to all those who played this enjoyable game and there is a whisper on the street that this may return next year!



European Day of Languages

As many of you will remember, Blackboys School enjoys celebrating European Languages Day every year. Teachers are currently preparing exciting language and country based activities for the children to enjoy next Friday 29th September. One activity will be our traditional Language Breakfast. Children are invited to come into the school hall from 8:25am to enjoy a small buffet breakfast. Traditional breakfast items from France, Russia and Germany will be enjoyed free of charge.

Smoothie Friday

Alongside next Friday's European Day of Languages Breakfast, our popular 'Smoothie Friday' will be back! Run by the Breakfast Club pupils, will be able to choose from the choice of two healthy smoothies. Next Friday's will be free of charge. Every Friday there after, parents and pupils will be invited into the School playground from 8.30am and a small charge of 50p will made for each smoothie consumed!

PGL

What a week Class 4 had at PGL! Although the weather was a little unpredictable, the children all had a great time having a go at a range of activities including raft building, zipwire, rock climbing, rifle shooting and abseiling. For many children, a lot of these activities were challenging, but they all showed great perseverance to have a go at them all. The children really were the best they could be all around the centre, including in their cabins, at mealtimes and during our evening entertainment. We were grateful to all the staff team coming and visiting at various times through the week.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

We have been asked to remind all parents of our current Year 6 that the deadline for applying for their secondary school of choice is:
Tuesday 31st October 2017.

PTA News

Thank you to all those parents who attended the PTA's AGM which took place in the evening of Wednesday 20th September. It was great to see so many parents attend, including a great number of people from Class 1. Thank you for your support. Rob

Wevill was duly re-elected as Chairman, Jemma Hill as Treasurer and Mikyla Elsey as Secretary. The next school newsletter on Friday 13th October will be a 'PTA Special' bringing you up-to-date with this years' events and dates for your diary! **The PTA 'Christmas Fair' is to take place at School on Saturday 25th November midday— 2pm.**

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

Gold Book Awards for week of 11th September

Class 1

Finlay Fowden-Heffer: For starting to settle well into school routines.
Jack Rance: For a positive attitude to his learning.
Lily Kingsbury: For making friends and being keen to learn.

Class 2

Astrid Willcox: For showing independence in her learning.
Harvey Wright: For using great vocabulary in his Literacy work.
Ivy Davies: For putting in 100% effort with her learning.

Class 3

Cecilia Field: For excellent, elegant dance ideas.
Willow Rideout: For excellent, elegant dance ideas.
Faye Ward: For living out our school mantra: Being the best that she can be.

Class 4 were at PGL.

