



Blackboys Newsletter

FRIDAY 27TH JUNE 2025

Christian Value for Term : Thankfulness

Our Christian Value of the term is Thankfulness and we have certainly been thankful for good weather recently. Our sports day and recent trips have been blessed with good weather and the sun has shone. With further good weather forecast it would be prudent of parents to encourage their children to bring in hats for playtime and lunchtime and to provide a water bottle to stay hydrated. Please be reassured that we encourage children to drink plenty of water and during PE lessons time is put aside for drinks breaks. Also in temperatures above 25 degrees, Key Stage 2 children are permitted to remove their ties and undo their top buttons. On top of this, we say a big thank you to our PTA who have purchased 2 large fans to provide cooling air in two of our classrooms that do not have air conditioning. Thank you.

Sports Day



Congratulations to St George, Green House who triumphed in an enthralling sports day on Wednesday. It was great to see all the children 'being the best they can be' and the lead for sports day changed hands many times over the afternoon. For me, a highlight of sports day is seeing the children support and encourage each other. I love seeing them cheer their own house group and their friends, and really look after each other.

Well done Blackboys.

A big thank you to the PTA for the well deserved ice pops at the end of the day.

Leavers' Service



Yesterday, our Year 6s attended the Diocese of Chichester Leavers' Service at All Saints Church in Crowborough. It was a lovely occasion for Year 6 children to celebrate the end of their time in primary school. We were lucky enough to have our service led by Bishop Martin, the Bishop of Chichester, making the event even more memorable.

Current Year R and 4 Class Placement for 25/26

As per the letter sent via ParentMail email to all Parents/Carers within **current** Year R and Year 4, the 5 minute telephone conversations with Mr Sullivan are to take place next week. Please refer to the letter should you still need to book your appointment. We would like to remind everyone that placement decisions are not made on the basis of children's or parents' friendship groups.

PTA Summer Fair

We are excited about our PTA Summer Fair on Saturday 5th July 12-2:30pm. Don't forget we have an own-clothes mufti day on Friday 4th July in exchange for a tombola item.

The Wind in the Willows

Song words and costume letters were sent home this week via your child's bag and ParentMail email. Costumes need to be in School, in a named bag by Friday 11th July.

There will be three performances of The Wind in the Willows: Wednesday 16th July (2pm and 6pm) and Thursday 17th July (6pm). All performances will be ticketed.

Tickets will be available from the School Office from next Monday 30th June where you will be able to buy x2 tickets per family at the price of £1 each (cash only payment). There is a special 'Bugle Newspaper' attached to this newsletter!

There will be a 'reserve' list held for each performance and should you require additional tickets, your name will be added to this. Tickets on the reserve list will then be released and available from the School Office on Thursday 10th July. For the afternoon performance on the 16th July, the pedestrian gate will be open from 1.50pm to allow the audience to take their seats for a 2pm start. A normal end of School finish of 3.15pm will remain. After School wrap around care will take place as normal. For evening performances the pedestrian gate will be opened at approximately 5:40pm for actors and audience to enter. Please remember we expect all pupils to attend all performances.

Wrap Around Care 25/26

Wrap around care, Breakfast and After School Clubs will continue to run up until and including the last day of term, Friday 18th July.

Bookings for the wrap around care provision of Breakfast and After School Club are already open for the new academic year, 25/26. As explained in the last fortnightly newsletter there will be a 50p increase on all wrap-around care options due to the increased running costs of the clubs. With regret we will also stop our sibling discount rule for the same reason. Please email your booking to the School Office via email and state in the email subject that the booking is a new 25/26 booking. As we have done so this year, we shall be limiting spaces available. **Bookings from this year (24/25) WILL NOT be 'rolled over'.**

KS2— Chartwells, School Lunches

We have been asked by Chartwells, who run our School kitchen, to remind our families to regularly check the balance of their ParentPay account. In addition, with our Year 6 moving on, please can all Year 6 Parents/ Carers ensure that there is no debt on their account when they leave, Friday 18th July.

Last week of Lunchtime and After School Clubs

The last week of all lunchtime and after school clubs will be from w/c Monday 07th July (with the exception of Miss Zara's dance club, Class 3 Outdoor Adventure Club and KS2 Archaeology Club, which will run on the last week of term). Wrap around care remains active up until and including Friday 18th July.

Head Boy and Head Girl Applications

We would like to invite applications from current Year 5 children who would like to be considered for the role next year. Year 5s should write a formal letter addressed to Mr Sullivan and current Head boy and girl, Harrison and Eva, stating the reasons why they think they should get the role and why they are suitable. Letters need to be handed to the School Office by 9:05am on Monday 14th July. In a whole school assembly next week, Mr Sullivan will talk about the characteristics required for the role. Good luck to all involved.

Tea and Talk

Kerry Grinsell (from SEND Family Support) has very kindly offered to run an informal coffee and chat session at Framfield School on Friday 18th July, 9am. The focus will be on managing tricky situations or 'what to do when expectations don't align'. This will be a chat rather than a structured workshop. Kerry will share some of her experiences (personal and professional) and lead a discussion where we can all share thoughts and ideas. This session may be of particular interest to parents/carers of neuro-divergent children, but all are very welcome. Please let the office know if you would like to join us.

Cello

Our super group of cello players performed in assembly with their teacher Mrs Grimes last week. If you would like your child to learn the cello, please speak to the school office.



Gold Book Awards for the week beginning 23rd June

Class 1

Trixie S - for her great work in Maths, creating repeating patterns.
Ettie T - for her hard work in computing, importing a photo into Google Docs.
Rafe S - for always showing good perseverance.

Class 2

Raeya P - for some very descriptive writing in her 'Wanted' poster.
Hayley Y - for always having such a positive attitude to school, no matter how she's feeling.
Callum S - for an amazing overarm throw in PE.

Class 3

Rae M - for her amazing sprinting at Sports Day.
Lyla H - for her mindful responses in RE focussing on famous individuals who have made sacrifices.
Eleanor R - for her engagement across all subjects.

Class 4

Indi FH - for working really hard on her biography.
Margaux L - for her amazing biography, showing control over her sentence structure. Such great progress in writing across the whole year!
Sorrel B - for showing a good understanding of Hindu beliefs on reincarnation through her diagrams.

Class 5

Bolton R - for getting on so well catching up on his assessments.
Marlo O - for excellent work in the school play, including technical support!
William P - for consistently great work in school and for his excellent candle carrying!

ACADEMIC YEAR 24/25

JUNE

MONDAY 30TH

WIND IN THE WILLOWS TICKETS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE. X2 ALLOCATED PER FAMILY WITH A RESERVE LIST HELD. £1 TICKET.
YR 6 - 7 SEPT '25 STARTERS - RINGMER - KINGS ACADEMY & UCKFIELD TASTER DAYS
MR SULLIVAN CLASS PLACEMENTS PHONE CALLS FOR YR1/5 PUPILS 25/26 2-3PM
SELECTED PUPILS CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM
YEAR 6 SWIMMING AT CROSS IN HAND (LEAVE SCHOOL 1.50 SWIMMING SESSIONS ARE 2.15-3.15PM) PARENT COLLECTION DIRECTLY FROM CROSS IN HAND AT 3.15PM

JULY

TUESDAY 1ST

YR 6 - 7 SEPT '25 STARTERS - RINGMER - KINGS ACADEMY, UCKFIELD AND HEATHFIELD TASTER DAYS
MR SULLIVAN CLASS PLACEMENTS PHONE CALLS FOR YR1/5 PUPILS 25/26 10AM-MIDDAY & 4.30-5.45PM
SELECTED PUPILS YR 5/6 BADMINTON FESTIVAL UCKFIELD COLLEGE SPORTSHALL 3.45-5.15PM
ADULTS NETBALL - SCHOOL PLAYGROUND 6-7PM

WEDNESDAY 2ND

HAILSHAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRANSITION DAY
CLASS 2 LED ACT OF WORSHIP 9 - 9.30AM ALL WELCOME
MR SULLIVAN CLASS PLACEMENTS PHONE CALLS FOR YR1/5 PUPILS 25/26 10AM-MIDDAY

THURSDAY 3RD

HAILSHAM & BEACON COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRANSITION DAYS
SELECTED PUPILS CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM
2 x YEAR 6 PUPILS TO TAKE PART IN WEEKLY MATHS MASTERCLASS AT UCKFIELD COLLEGE 3.45-4.45PM

FRIDAY 4TH

BEACON COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRANSITION DAY
WHOLE SCHOOL WEAR YOUR OWN CLOTHES TO SCHOOL DAY IN EXCHANGE FOR AN ITEM FOR THE TOMBOLA AT THE SUMMER FAIR - SWEETS (NOT CHOCOLATE), TOILETRIES, A BOTTLE OF SOMETHING - BUBBLE BATH, BOTTLE OF WINE ETC!

SATURDAY 5TH

PTA SUMMER FAIR 12 - 2.30PM ALL WELCOME!

SATURDAY 5TH - 6TH SEPTEMBER

EAST SUSSEX LIBRARY SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

MONDAY 7TH - FRIDAY 11TH

LAST WEEK OF MOST TEACHER LED LUNCHTIME AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

MONDAY 7TH

CLASS 2 DRUSILLAS TRIP 9AM - 3PM
SELECTED PUPILS CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM
YEAR 6 SWIMMING AT CROSS IN HAND (LEAVE SCHOOL 1.50 SWIMMING SESSIONS ARE 2.15-3.15PM) PARENT COLLECTION DIRECTLY FROM CROSS IN HAND AT 3.15PM

TUESDAY 8TH

ADULTS NETBALL - SCHOOL PLAYGROUND 6-7PM

THURSDAY 10TH

RESERVE TICKET LIST OPENED AND DISTRIBUTED FOR WIND IN THE WILLOWS (IF TICKETS AVAILABLE) FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE
CLASS 1 LED ACT OF WORSHIP 9-9.30AM ALL WELCOME
SELECTED PUPILS CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3.15PM
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FRIDAY 11TH

COSTUMES FOR WIND IN THE WILLOWS TO BE IN SCHOOL - IN NAMED BAG!
WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTED
YEAR R FOR SEPTEMBER 2025 TASTER SESSION 9.15 - 11.30AM
WHOLE SCHOOL 'MOVING UP' MORNING 9.15 - MIDDAY
SELECTED YEAR 3 PUPILS READING TO 'YOUNG AT HEART' GROUP HEATHFIELD CRICKET CLUB. LEAVE SCHOOL 1.10PM LEAVE FOR A 1.30 START - RETURN IN TIME FOR END OF SCHOOL.

Inset Days 24 25:

Monday 21st July 2025 *Tuesday 22nd July 2025*

BLACKBOYS BUGLE

27.06.25

www.blackboysbugle.co.net

Only 1p!

Toad's Tumultuous Travels!

In the coming weeks, an exciting, classic production will be held at Blackboys CE Primary School—Wind in the Willows!

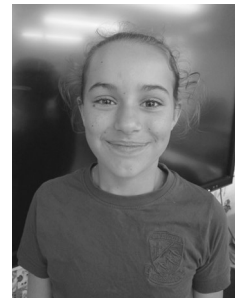
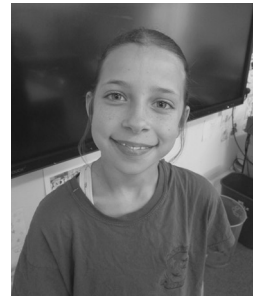
Brought to you by the director of notable musicals like *Hoodwinked* and *Mystery at Magpie Manor*, *Wind in the Willows* promises to be a fun-filled night for the whole family, full of superb songs, delightful dancing, joyful jokes and special special effects!

“What a fantastic group of actors and actresses we have this year—it’s going to be a fantastic show!” enthused legendary producer, Mr Sullivan.



Head Teacher, Mr Sullivan

The production will be taking place at Blackboys school hall on the 16th and 17th of July. Rehearsals have been in full swing for over a month, and the level of excitement within the local school community is soon to reach fever pitch!



Clockwise from left: Delilah Neilson, Hattie Dunbar, Muffin Sharp and Elizabeth McLean

The actors and actresses assembled for this production would rival the cast of any Hollywood blockbuster or West End show. Highlights of the cast include Muffin Sharp as Ratty, Delilah Neilson as Toad, Hattie Dunbar as Mole and Elizabeth McLean as Badger. Director Mr Boorman was quick to point out the team spirit shown by the cast and crew; “There was great team spirit shown by the cast and crew.”

Tickets will soon be released for this much anticipated production (Monday 30th June). They can be purchased from the school office—see Mrs Underwood or Mrs Doherty for details. Book quickly, and prepare to be swept away in this delightful story!

Wild Wednesdays & Nature Makers

10am-12noon

5-12 years (with accompanying adult)

Holiday fun for families on Ashdown Forest learning about nature.

Wild Wednesdays - seasonal nature activities, games and exploring

Nature Makers (Thursdays) – craft inspired by nature and outdoor exploring



Wednesday July 30 and Aug 6, 13, 20, 27
Thursday July 31 and Aug 7, 14, 21, 28

ASHDOWN FOREST CENTRE
Wych Cross, RH18 5JP

BOOKING ESSENTIAL please book a place for each child

£10 per child

ashdownforest.org



**BLACKBOYS SCHOOL PRESENTS THEIR
SCHOOL PERFORMANCE OF...**



PERFORMANCES ARE:

- **WEDNESDAY 16TH JULY 2-3PM**
- **WEDNESDAY 16TH JULY 6-7PM**
- **THURSDAY 17TH JULY 6-7PM**

NOT TO BE MISSED!

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE FROM MONDAY 30TH JUNE AT
THE BARGAIN PRICE OF £1! (2/FAMILY).**

RESERVE TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THURSDAY 10TH JULY.