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Dear Families

We have just one more half term to go which will be very busy. I cannot believe how quick this year has flown by. We are indeed a very busy village school that has so much going on.

Our 'Sponsored Bounce' event was a great success and our children loved it. This is a great event to earn key funding for school. Thank you to our PTA and volunteers who organised and ran the event. Your hard work is very much appreciated.

The School Council and I have met this morning and finalised our pebble installation which you can now see in our front forecourt. I would like to say thank you to Mr Stockwell for making and providing the flower as the centre piece for this. We are already thinking of our next project which will be around furnishing our new yurt, deciding on a name and the best use for it.

Our new Reception cohort, starting with us in September, had the opportunity to visit school this week and talk with the Reception Team, myself, our Chair of Governors and our PTA Chair. It was a very successful evening and they are all looking forward to starting school with us. They will be visiting school for taster sessions during June and July. We look forward to welcoming them into our school family.

Once again, thank you for your continued support that helps to make us who we are. We are truly blessed.

Have a great half term.

Jane Sharrock

MUSIC CLUBS

We are delighted to announce that our school music clubs will resume following the half-term break. Starting the week of 2nd June, EY/KS1 Instrumental Club will start on Tuesday, 3rd June and Recorder Club will resume on Thursday, 5th June. These clubs will continue until the week commencing 30th June.

NEXT YEAR

We are holding a meeting for our current Year 2 to Year 5 parents on Monday 16th June at 2.30pm to discuss the new KS2 organisation.

On Monday 23rd June at 2.30pm, we are inviting our current Reception parents to a meeting which will explain transition into Year 1.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Due to a staffing event on Tuesday, 15th July, there will be no After School Club. We are giving you plenty of notice to make alternative arrangements.

INSET DAYS

We have now planned our INSET days for the next academic year as follows:

03/09/2025

05/01/2026

13/04/2026

01/06/2026

22/07/2026

PTA NEWS

SPONSORED BOUNCE

A big well done to the children, who had a fantastic morning bouncing, with the highest number of bounces recorded as 254. Thank you to the helpers who did a great job counting! We raised an amazing £1,878, so thank you to everyone who sponsored the event and for your generous support.

NEXT PTA MEETING

Don't forget to come along to the next PTA meeting on Thursday, 5th June at 3.30pm. Childcare will be available.

SUMMER REVELS UPDATE

Not long to go until Summer Revels 2025! Thank you to everyone who has signed up to help out on the day. We still have lots of slots to fill so if you are able to volunteer please head over to volunteersignup.org/BYR87 or drop us an email.

A big well done to all the children who entered the Revels art competition - we were blown away by all their brilliant drawings. Our governors had the hard job of picking the winner and have picked Orla from Holly Class for her fantastic and welcoming picture. [Congratulations](#) to Orla and also to Poppy G (Willow) who came 2nd and Ayrton (Oak) who came 3rd.

After half term, raffle tickets and wristbands will be on sale - more information to follow!

A reminder that on Friday 13th June, there will be a non-uniform day where we are asking for donations of cakes to sell at Revels.



Recent correspondence

- **Ash and Willow - Rainbow Theatre visit**
- **Reception – Arundel Wetlands trip**
- **Y4 and Y5 parents – Residential Trip 2026**

DATES FOR THE SUMMER TERM

Over the weeks, we will add **new dates/events in red**, so please make sure that you regularly check this list and update your diaries.

MAY 2025

26 – 30 May Half-term break

JUNE 2025

Mon 2 June INSET Day

Tues 3 June Back to school

Thurs 5 June PTA Committee Meeting in school at 3.30pm

Fri 6 June 2026 Residential Trip meeting for current Y4 and Y5 parents (2.30pm)

w/c 9 June Year 1 Phonics Screening

Thurs 12 June Reception trip to Arundel Wetland Centre

Fri 13 June PTA non-uniform day – please bring in cakes for Summer Revels – info to follow
NO CHELSEA FOOTBALL OR GARDENING CLUB

Sat 14 June SUMMER REVELS

Mon 16 June Rainbow Theatre Company visiting Ash & Willow
Current Year 2 to Year 5 parent meeting (2.30pm)

Tues 17 June Oak Class Assembly (2.45pm)

Thurs 19 June Sports Day (am) – details to follow

Mon 23 June **Current Reception parent meeting (2.30pm)**

Wed 25 June Year 6 Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral (1.15pm service)

Fri 27 June Last Chelsea Football Club session

JULY 2025

Tues 1 July Y3 & Y4 Legacy Games at Angmering School (details to follow)

Wed 2 July Secondary transition day

Fri 4 July Last Gardening Club session

Tues 8 July Y5 & Y6 Production (6pm)

Wed 9 July Y1 & Y2 Assembly for parents (2.45pm)
Y5 & Y6 Production (6pm)

Thurs 10 July Music Concert (9.15am) – parents invited

Fri 11 July PTA Summer Disco – details to follow

Fri 18 July Leavers' Service at school (9am)

Mon 21 July Year 6 Leavers' party (3.30pm)

Tues 22 July Last day of term