

Inspiring Learning for Life

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Term 2 2017-2018 - Week 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to term 2. Please check the diary for new dates. It's going to be a very busy term!

The weather is starting to turn now so please can you make sure that your child brings a coat into school every day as we go outside in all weathers.

ATTENDANCE

	Underwater	Bugs	High Peaks	Jungle
Week 7	93.3	97.7	95.9	94
Week I	97.6	97.3	96.6	96.4

Good attendance is 95% = our school target this year is 96.5%.

Congratulations to Underwater and Bugs Class who have had Attendance Bear to visit over the last two weeks

REWARDS

The following children have received their pupil point awards in assembly: 600 pupil points- Dizzy, Stanley (Bugs)

800 pupil points - Max (Jungle)

1000 pupil points- Emma (Jungle)

I 100 pupil points-Josh (Jungle)

Golden Mile

Congratulations to the children below for their awards.

Gold award for 50 miles has gone to Luke and Ebony in High Peaks, and Scarlett, Aurora and Freddy in Jungle.

Harvest Thanks

Thank you to all at Laughton School, on behalf of Uckfield Foodbank, for your donations at the Harvest Festival. We donated 103kgs to help support families in need, in our local community.

HALLOWEEN DISCO

The children had a fabulous start to the term with the Halloween Disco. Their costumes, dancing and pumpkins were fantastic and being a judge was extremely difficult. A particular well done to

Best dressed boy - KSI – Arlo KS2 – Danny Best dressed girl- KSI – Yara KS2 – Megan

Runners up- Grace W and George V

Best girl dancer- KSI- Flossy KS2- Wini
Best boy dancer- KSI - Jacob K KS2- Oliver B

Runners up- Thomas Best dressed adult- Sara

Pumpkin Carving 1st- Dizzy 2nd- Aurora 3rd- Arlo

Your fantastic efforts have been rewarded in the total amount of £375!

Diary November

Wk beginning 13th Anti bullying week

16th Norwegian teachers visiting

17th Take over Day and Children in Need

Toy and cake sale

20th Open Afternoon for new parents to

Reception in Sept 2018

21st Cross Country - Yr 5/6

28th Open Morning for new parents to Reception in Sept 2018

December

1st Pantomime – Beauty and the Beast in school

5th Big Sing- Jungle Class – Kings Centre

6th Infant Dress rehearsal

LSA Christmas Shop 2p.m

8th Nativity 2p.m

12th Christmas concert and Fair

13th LSA Christmas Shop 2p.m

15th Christmas Dinner

19th Church service 2p.m

20th INSET DAY

Last day of term

January

2nd INSET

3rd Children return to school



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NEW ECO WARRIORS

Mr Herdman has written to all the children who applied to be an Eco Warrior. He read all the applications and was delighted with the children's commitment and purpose in putting themselves forward. He was delighted by the number of applicants. They will be announced in assembly next week and be given their badges.





COPPERS WEEK

Thank you for your amazing donations during 'Coppers Week'. Many thanks to all the brave souls who counted all those coins.

Having been counted, re-counted, tallied up, left on my office floor, stuffed into a wheeled suitcase, dragged into the bank, counted again by the nice lady in Barclays, I can confirm that the total amount raised was a massive £193.28. Well done to Year 2 for their winning contribution of £40.74. Jo- LSA Treasurer

EAST SUSSEX CAMPAIGN LINK



You may have already seen that East Sussex County Council has launched a fairer funding campaign – Stand Up For East Sussex.

We're urging people across East Sussex to stand up for their county by calling on the Government to give them a fairer deal.

We're asking residents and businesses to sign a petition to the Prime Minister which calls for an urgent rethink on the resources the county receives. In 2014 Ofsted rated 64 per cent of primary schools in East Sussex as good or outstanding. In 2017 it's 91 per cent and we want the Government

to give us a long-term funding plan to maintain that success. The campaign also highlights how adult social care, transport, and jobs and the economy would benefit from a fairer funding deal.

If you could sign the petition -we'd be extremely grateful.

Here's the link to the petition: https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/yourcouncil/consultation/stand-up-for-east-sussex and here's a link to the education specific video: https://youtu.be/nweelkZTN0M. I've also attached an image that we're using for the campaign.

PARENT PAY- Urgent!

Please can we remind you to make sure your parent pay accounts are up-to-date by this weekend? Emails and reminder slips have been sent home with relevant pupils. Thank you.



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VACANCY

We have a vacancy for a school cook. This is 28 hours per week Monday- Friday (term time only) Please contact the school kitchen for an application form 01323 811727 between 9am and 2pm.

PARTNERSHIP



Last week our football team played in a tournament at Firle. Teams from Alfriston, Framfield, Blackboys and Firle all played a game against each other. Our school team wore their new kits and looked very smart. They came 3rd in the tournament and demonstrated great teamwork in supporting each other. The children in EYFS and KSI had a lovely 'Crunchy Leaves and Muddy Puddles Day' at Firle yesterday. Thank you so much for helping transport them to and from the school.

'It was fun making the things for the fire. You had to scrape something really hard to get it alight. I actually made sparks with mine. We collected leaves and put them on a sticky thing but the leaves were wet. We played in the crunchy leaves in the woods with children from Firle. We learnt about bonfire night and did some dancing, pretending you were a fire and grew, up and up and up. We pretended to be a swirly leaf and very crunchy. We thought the day was fabulous because we really liked the fire' by Lucy and Rose.

We have had a Maths Staff meeting and Twilight session this week as the teachers from both schools review our maths calculations policy and learn more about introducing mastery into the daily maths lesson. We will have a parent workshop in term 3 to share our practice.





TAKE OVER DAY



Next Friday the Year 6 children will be taking over the school from 10:50 a.m! They will be in class to start with to finalise lesson plans e.t.c and will have the library as their staffroom over lunchtime so that they can catch up on marking! It should be lots of fun

NEW SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our new School Council have been voted in democratically. The children who wanted to apply filled in a manifesto and these were displayed in the hall. They then spoke to their classes in assembly as to why they wanted to represent them and what they would like to do. The children in each year group were asked to vote for 2 children from their year group. Well done to all those who applied, I loved reading your manifestos.

These are the new school councillors for 2017-18, they were announced in assembly today and given their badges, congratulations.

Yr 6- Jia and Maisy Yr3- George and Louis EYFS- Seth Yr 5- Freya and Aurora Yr 2- Jack and Rose Yr4 – Oliver and Ebony Yr1- Malakai and Isabella



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NORWEIGAN TEACHERS VISIT

On Thursday 16th we have 6 teachers from Norway visiting the school to find out more about teaching styles in the UK.

BEFORE SCHOOL

In the morning, children should not be left unattended in the playground before 8.30am, when a member of staff comes out on duty. In case of emergencies, if children do need to be left, please sign them in at the office so staff are aware that they are here.

Please be reminded that there should be no leather balls or hard balls, including 'Moon Balls' on the playground before school. Thank you.

CHILDREN IN NEED



Please see the attached letter about Children in Need next Friday. We will not be dressing up as it is Take Over Day but we will be running a Toy and Cake Sale which we need your help with. Many thanks.

FIRST AID FAQ's

Please be aware of the following updates on illness.

If your child is vomiting or has diarrhoea they are not able to return for 48hrs after the last episode. If they have conjunctivitis they can come into school.

For chicken pox and impetigo the sores need to have a scabbed over before returning to school.

Kind Regards

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