

Friday 10th October 2025

WEEKLY NEWS

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Our Nurture, Inspire and Challenge characters.



School Motto:

We nurture and inspire others and challenge ourselves. Be brave, be kind and seize the day!



NIC Stars Of The Week



EYFS

Nursery Pear Class- Jas O, for great tidy-up skills!

Apple-Nate F, for being a great helper.

Cherry- Belle R, for her interest in all learning.

Y1

Monkey Puzzle- Ruby J, for extending her sentences with skill!

Beech- Harrison P, for excellent editing of his writing.

Y2

Willow-Joey S, for showing kindness towards others.

Pine- Eryn B, for amazing instructions in Literacy!

Y3

Alder- Charlie D, for being respectful and kind.

Lime- Arthur T, for fantastic effort with handwriting.

Elm- Ayla-Rose C, for always making a great effort with learning.

Y4

Cedar- Macie J, for respect and kindness towards all.

Sycamore- Eddie C and Yasmin M, for fantastic story writing.

Y5

Magnolia- Angelina S, for 100% effort in her writing daily!

Oak- Oliver M, for excellent concentration in class.

Holly- Holly C-M, for being a role-model learner for his class.

Y6

Rowan- Roshin O, for excellent work on long division and for bravery.

Hazel- Alijah R-H, for being a polite and hardworking member of the class.

Juniper- Sophia D-H, for fantastic improvement with her arithmetic scores.

Star certificates and stickers will be given out in next week's Star assembly.

House Points last week

Arundel	Bramber	Lewes	Pevensey
1284	877	1256	1012



Calling all budding chefs! We would like to invite as many children as possible to submit their best and favourite recipe to be a part of the Glebe Primary School cookbook. All entries will be judged by Head Chef Becko at La Tavola in Southwick with the winning entry being awarded a £50 voucher for the

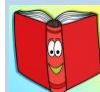
restaurant! The top 60 recipes will be included and the cookbook will be printed and available to buy at a later date. All details on how to submit your recipe are on the flyer sent out last week - all entries will cost £1.

Mr M. Miller

Headteacher message

Dear parents and carers,

The children had a great day last week with our visiting Athlete. There was lots of fun and everyone joined in.



Mrs. Peace, Miss. Williams and I have been visited classrooms this half term and we are so impressed with the calm working atmosphere and how engaged children are. Children are able to tell us all about what they are learning, all about the books they are reading and about the maths they are working out. **We really need to encourage reading at home please and ask that Reading Records are filled in and returned to class daily.** Reading is such an important skill to master at primary school and parents and carers are vital in their role. Children gain most if they read regularly at home and at school.

Shoreham Academy are hosting an event on 23rd October at 6.30pm all about smartphones and their impact on children. The office sent a flyer home this week which has a booking link, if you would like to attend. Two local primary schools have become 'Smartphone Free' this term, with very positive feedback from parents and staff.



A number of parents have raised concern about unsafe parent parking and unsafe dropping off from cars before and after school. Please note that dropping off or parking on the yellow zig zag lines outside any school is an offence and could lead to a parking fine. The yellow lines are there for the safety of children and families. Please park further away and walk in.



Our gate duty team have asked me to remind parents and carers to hold hands with young children at 3pm each day at our school. We have had a few children in Y1, YR and younger trying to run out of the gate with no parent or carer in sight! Please keep your children with you at all times at our school for

safety. No bikes or scooters should be used on the school site either please by children who attend Glebe, older siblings or toddlers. Thankyou.

Best wishes
Mrs. Crutchfield
Headteacher



Reminder



No scooters or bikes are allowed on the school site. There is storage near to both gates. This includes toddler bikes.
Thankyou

Sports Report

Last Wednesday, some of our Year 6's headed to Shoreham Academy to compete in a Basketball tournament. We were lucky enough to enter two teams into the competition, with both taking part in five games. This included one against each other! The standard of basketball improved game by game with some fantastic dribbling and rebounding throughout. The teams finished with almost identical records with one finishing 3rd and the other finishing 4th. Well done!
Mr. Allen, Sports Leader

Events:

2025-2026

Autumn Term 1

Y3 swimming 11/9 to 2/10

Thursday 16th October PTA Disco Night for children Y1 to Y6 (online tickets available to buy).

w/o 20th October Parent –Teacher meetings (booking online).

Thursday 9th October 8.45am Y6 Rowan class assembly for parents/ carers in the Sports Hall.



Thursday 23rd October HALLOWEEN DRESS UP DAY (no fake blood or masks). Parade 8.45am. School uniform instead if children don't choose to dress up. Donations toward buying a commemorative tree for the field: Charlie in Y3 who sadly passed away last term loved Halloween so we are dressing up to remember her and we hope to raise money to plant a lovely blossoming tree in her memory as her middle name was Blossom.

Oct half term for children: Thurs 23rd October 2025

Autumn Term 2

Back to school for all: Mon 4th November 2025

Y6 swimming lessons 6/11 to 11/12 (Y6 booster groups only).



Poppies and related goodies on sale, for a £1+ donation to the British Legion charity, from 3rd November in the office.



Tuesday 11/11 Remembrance Day.

Wednesday 12th November Astro Colour individual/ sibling photograph day.

Thursday 13th November 8.45am Y3 Elm class assembly for parents/ carers in the Sports Hall.

We are doing a fundraiser for a local Children's Hospice later this month so won't be raising money for Children In Need on 14/11 at school this year.

Thursday 20th November 8.45am Y6 Juniper class assembly

for parents/ carers in the Sports Hall.

 Friday 21st November Non-Uniform day for PTA Christmas Fair donations (chocolate/bottles please).

 Thursday 27th November Christmas Wreath PTA workshop for parents/carers (please pre-book a place).

 Friday 28th November PTA Christmas Fair after school.

 Wednesday 10th December Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day (please order Christmas lunch choices well in advance via The Pantry website).

 Christmas Shows!
2 Pine/1 Monkey Puzzle - Tuesday 9th December, 2pm, Sports Hall
2 Willow/1 Beech - Thursday 11th December, 2pm, Sports Hall
EYFS Christmas Performance - Thursday 11th December 8:45, Sports Hall

 2.15pm Y5 Carols in Old Hall for parents/carers.

 Thursday 18th December Reindeer Day!- Headband antlers and fund raising for Chestnut Tree House Children's Hospice. We ask parents to donate straight to the charity.

Christmas hol's for children: Thurs 18th December 2025

Spring Term 1

Spring term starts for children: Tues 6th Jan 2026

Y4 swimming 8/1 to 12/2

Half term for children: Thursday 12th Feb 2026

Spring Term 2

Back to school for all: Mon 23rd Feb 2026

Y2 swimming 26/2 to 2/4

Easter hol's for children: Fri 27th March 2026

Summer term 1

Summer term for all: Monday 13th April 2026

Y5 swimming 16/4 to 21/5

Half term for children: Thursday 22nd May 2026

Summer Term 2

Back to school for all: Mon 1st June 2026

Summer hol's for children: Fri 17th July 2026

September 2026

Reception (YR) tours for parents and carers:

Friday 17th Oct 9-10am

Half term

Tuesday 4th November- 1:30-2:30 Stay and Play session

Thursday 6th November 9-10am

Friday 14th November 3:30-4:30pm

Thursday 27th November 1:30-2:30pm

Friday 5th December 9-10am

Thursday 11th December 1:30-2:30pm

Tuesday 16th December 1:30-2:30 Stay and Play session.

Please book a tour via our office team.

School places are organised by WSCC. Please apply online for a school place by January.

Online applications open: Monday 6 October 2025.

Deadline for applying for a school place for your child is: Thursday 15 January 2026. For more

information on the admissions process:

www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions

Please see September 26th news for Nursery to Y3 Topic information or the school website.

Autumn Term Topics Y4 to Y6

Year 4

The Terrible Tudors – Off with their heads!

In the Autumn term the children started the year with an afternoon dedicated to learning about the Tudor Rose and the Battle of Bosworth. They also had the opportunity to do a little Tudor dancing! We began to look at Who Henry VII was and what he was like as a King. The children were also able to learn about how Henry VIII became King and how he was different from his father. Through the history lessons the children will learn all about his wives and their fates as well as the reformation and the impact it had on England. In art, the children will be looking the artist Hans Holbein and the portraits he created of Henry VIII and will then create their own self portrait. The children will also write a non-chronological report on The Tudors in the style of the horrible histories' series. In Science, the children will be looking at sound, how it travels through different mediums what affects the pitch of sound. In French we will be introduced to days of the week along with different salutations. In PSHE we explore health and wellbeing and how to recognise emotions. This then develops into living in the wider world and rules and responsibility. In the final week the children will be undertaking an exciting Geography week investigating our local area with a walk around Southwick planned.

After half term, the children will learn about rainforests, climate zones and biomes around the world. Linked to their science work on habitats, they will learn that rainforests are home to a wide range of animal and plant life; they will appreciate the importance of rainforests to the wider world and how these special places are threatened by deforestation. Children will write stories set in the rainforest and poems about rainforests. Children will take part in a DT project to make rainforest themed marble runs. Please follow the link to our Year 4 learning page here:

<https://www.glebeprimary.co.uk/Year-4/>

Year 5

Smashing Saxons! How did the Anglo-Saxons change the course of British History?

It's a busy and inspiring start to the year as we dive into our topic "Smashing Saxons!" We'll be uncovering how the Anglo-Saxons shaped British history – from mighty kings and kingdoms to the mystery of Sutton Hoo. Through drama, enquiry, and hands-on activities, children will explore what life was like in this fascinating era and even compare it with other times in history. Our learning doesn't stop there! In Science, we'll be investigating the properties of materials, while in DT we'll be getting creative with baking. Computing takes us into the world of coding, and in PE we'll be building skills in both dance and netball. French lessons will focus on vocabulary linked to school life, and in RE we'll be thinking about different ways people worship. We're also diving into brilliant books such as Water Tower and Catch a Lot, which will inspire our writing – from imaginative narratives to powerful speeches. In Maths, we'll begin the year by tackling place value and deepening our

number knowledge. And through PSHE, we'll be exploring health and wellbeing, relationships, and our role in the wider world.

What else are we up to: If you fancy a quick round up of what else we have been up to during your child's time so far in Year 5, please do take a look our WOW moments on our learning page on the school's website. Please follow the link to our Year 5 learning page here:

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Year 6

We will begin the year by immersing ourselves in R J Palacio's 'Wonder'.

We will begin our quest to understand the impact that disability, judgement, peer pressure and bullying has by using the text as a jumping off point to develop our own understanding of kindness and empathy. The creation of a class kindness box will support our reflections on the positive impact that our friends and classmates can have before creating art and literacy pieces to represent our views and feelings. In addition, we will be learning about animals and humans in science this term. We will learn about the circulation system and how we can keep our bodies and minds healthy and happy by considering the impact that diet, exercise, drugs and alcohol can have on the body. Our half term will end with an exciting geography week where we develop our map work skills and visit Shoreham Port to learn about the vital resources which enter and leave the UK through this port.

After half term, our learning journey is packed with exciting topics across all subjects. In history, we will dive into the fascinating world of Ancient Greece, exploring its rich culture, mythology, and lasting influence on modern society. We'll learn about key figures, events, and how ancient Greek ideas have shaped the world we know today. In art, we will be developing our creativity and precision as we create stunning mosaics. Inspired by ancient and modern designs, this project will teach us about patterns, colour, and the art of storytelling through imagery. Our science lessons will take us on an exploration of the animal kingdom. We'll investigate animals and their habitats, focusing on the differences between vertebrates (animals with backbones) and invertebrates (animals without backbones). This will help us understand the amazing diversity of life on Earth, how different species adapt to their environments, and why protecting habitats is so important for all living things.

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