

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!



EYFS

Nursery Pear Class- Idris H, for settling so well into our nursery.

Apple- Otto A, for incredible writing.

Cherry- Theo V, for wonderful sentence writing and presentation.

Y1

Monkey Puzzle- Quinn S, for being a maths champion!

Beech – Rosie R, for trying her best in her learning.

Y2

Willow- Lemony B-W, for huge improvement with handwriting.

Pine- Ismail P, for amazing maths learning this week.

Y3

Alder- Keira A, for excellent learning focus and for contributing to class discussions.

Lime- Joshy D, for excellent effort and for following the Golden Rules.

Elm- Jaxson H, for great effort in writing.

Y4

Cedar- Grace P and Joshua W, for following the NIC values and for great learning.

Sycamore- Lincoln T, for getting into role brilliantly on our trip to Preston Manor.

Y5

Magnolia- Nate A, for always being reflective in his learning.

Oak- Daisy T, for showing excellent focus and for being a resourceful learner.

Holly- Rayyan M, for fantastic effort in maths.

Y6

Rowan- Gracie S, for improved focus in learning.

Hazel- Alijah R-H, for 100% effort in his learning. Fantastic!

Juniper- Olivia T, for excellent focus in her learning.

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

Here are the house points this week:

Arundel	Bramber	Lewes	Pevensey
437	466	450	395

Y6 Fundraising Walk

Thankyou to Becky Trussler for organising a sponsored walk on Saturday April 18th. They all had a great time and the children walked considerably further than 11km with all their running around and tree climbing!

The children who took part were:

Odin T, Oscar E, Roshin Oza, Jackson H, Eiji K, Star C, Billy C, Esmee S, Chloe L, Maddison S and Eithne P.

All together, they were able to raise approximately £1600 for the Y6 leavers do!

This includes £378 of donations which the children were able to get from passers-by on the route!

Amazing work Y6 team and thank you all.



Headteacher message

Dear parents and carers,

Thankyou to the Y4 children for two excellent trips to Preston Manor this week. The children and staff went in Victorian costume and had a brilliant time. Thanks to the staff team for organising the trip and to the volunteer helpers who could come along.

Thankyou to Y2 Pine class for their wonderful assembly for parents this week.

We've been doing a lot of work on lining up quickly and getting back to class more swiftly after playtimes and lunchtimes recently. This is really improving and we can start lessons more swiftly without wasting time so much now.

We have also been reminding children to remember school uniform rules and other expectations e.g. no jewellery or make up should be worn in school. We have many pre-loved items in stock if families need them e.g. school jumpers. Please ask in the office if anything is needed. We may be able to help.

This week we have an update on topics for YR to Y3. Thanks to the teachers for putting this together. Y4 to Y6 next week.

Bank Holiday weekend so see you on Tuesday next week!
Best wishes
Mrs. Crutchfield

Nursery to Y3 Summer Term Topics

Nursery Summer 1



Once Upon a Time

What we are up to: During Summer 1, we will look at traditional tales, The Three Little Pigs, Little Red Riding Hood and The Gingerbread Man. We will talk about familiar books and retell a story. We will look at the 5 key concepts about print, which are:

- Print has meaning
- The names of the different parts of a book
- Print can have different purposes
- Page sequencing
- We read English text from left to right and from top to bottom.

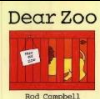
We are also focusing on Phase 1 phonics sounds and introducing the children to the Read Write Inc scheme we follow at Glebe.

In Maths, we will sing lots of counting songs and rhymes. We will be counting and subitising, and talking about position (in, behind, under). We will be looking at patterns and simple shapes.

What else are we up to: We will be developing our fine motor skills using a programme called Squiggle while you Wiggle, and we will be doing lots of name recognition and mark making. We will continue to do our weekly welly walk and spend more time outdoors.

Please have a look at our learning page to find out more: <https://www.glebeprimary.co.uk/glebe-nursery>.

Nursery Summer 2



All Creatures Great and Small

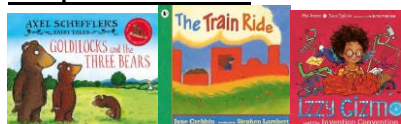
What we are up to: During Summer 2, we will be reading: Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell, We're Going on a Lion Hunt by David Axtell, and Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by Bill Martin. We will be able to express a point of view and say when we disagree with an adult or a friend, using words and actions. We will be able to start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for many turns. We will continue with Phase 1 phonics and

Read Write Inc., and will focus on using some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. In Math, we will show the right number of objects to match the numeral up to 5. We will begin to show 'finger numbers' up to 5, and we will compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than'

What else are we up to: We will continue with Welly Walks and outdoor play. We will also be having a class assembly and a class picnic.

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Reception Summer 1



What we are up to:

This term we are looking at a variety of texts. We started with a well-known fairy tale, Goldilocks and the Three Bears. This provides a valuable opportunity for them to apply and develop their early writing skills as they create wanted posters and sorry letters.

We then explore The Train Ride where the children will deepen their understanding of key vocabulary and language linked to journeys. They will learn to sequence the events of the story and begin to write their own ideas about where the train might travel next, using their developing phonics knowledge to segment and spell words.

The third text for this term is Izzy Gizmo and Intervention Convention which is about an inventive girl named Izzy who travels to a competition where young inventors must display their best machines. Izzy faces problems in the story but learns that teamwork and persistence are just as important as having a brilliant idea. Children continue to use their phonics knowledge to sound out to read and write simple words, short captions, and sentences. Development of speech and language continues in daily sessions as well as in our weekly music lesson.

In maths, we are looking at 3D shapes, repeating patterns and looking at numbers 20 and beyond.

What else are we up to: Our home corner this term is a Shoe Shop!

We have introduced a Rainbow Challenge, encouraging the children to explore all the learning areas within a week. The weather allows for a lot more outdoor play, and the children are developing their ball skills, creating obstacle courses, and building dens. They have learnt to take responsibility and work as a team to tidy up each area, both inside and outside.

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Reception Summer 2



What we are up to:

This term we are looking at the following texts:

The Night Pirates by Peter Harris is a fiction text about a boy called Tom who joins a daring crew of girl pirates for a night

time adventure. They sail across the sea and solve problems together.

The See Saw by Tom Percival is the story of a girl who loses her treasured toy at the beach. As she grows up, she doesn't forget the toy, and meanwhile, the toy goes on a magical journey across the sea. Eventually, the toy finds its way home again.

The Growing Story by Ruth Krauss follows a boy through the changing seasons. He wonders if he is growing because his world around him keeps changing, but he feels he isn't changing himself. This book works perfectly to help children with transitioning to a new class. It also reinforces children's understanding of growing and changing in nature. Children will read words consistent with their phonics

knowledge by sound blending. They will write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others, and use and understand new vocabulary during discussions about stories and during role play.

In Maths, children will develop the concept of adding more and taking away, making groups, odds and even numbers and doubles. We also look at 3D shapes, position and direction and making a map.

What else are we up to:

We will be having an EYFS assembly and a picnic and making sure we are ready for Year 1!

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Year 1 Summer 1

TOPIC FOCUS: Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside

BIG QUESTION: How has the seaside changed over time?



What we are up to:

The children will be exploring what seaside holidays are like today and how they have changed over time. Year 1 will be sharing their own experiences and discussing physical and human features of the seaside. They'll look at photographs, objects and stories from the past, comparing old-fashioned seaside traditions with the ones they know today (1900, 1960 and today). This will help them develop an understanding of history and how places change.

In Design and Technology, the children will be creating their very own beach hut models, learning how to plan, design, build and decorate them using a range of materials and joining techniques.

In Literacy, the children will be writing letters, instructions, and working on real-life writing tasks linked to our seaside theme. This will help them practise sentence writing, clear communication and using key vocabulary. It promises to be a bright, busy and exciting term, full of creativity, hands-on learning and seaside fun!

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 1, please do take a look our **WOW** moments on our learning page on the school's website. Please follow the link to our Year 1 learning page here:

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Year 1 Summer 2

TOPIC FOCUS: Nature Detectives

BIG QUESTION: What can we find at the bottom of the garden



What we are up to:

This half-term, the children in Year 1 are going to become 'Nature Detectives!' Exploring what's at the bottom of the garden, the children will be investigating and categorising a range of different minibeasts. They will have a chance to observe them in nature and discuss how they move, eat and survive. Year 1 will also grow their very own plants! They'll learn what plants need to grow and will enjoy watching their plants change over time. The children will be exploring the artist Andy Goldsworthy and create their own nature sculptures, using his as inspiration for their own masterpiece! This will help them look more closely at colours, shapes, and patterns in the natural world.

It's going to be an exciting and creative term filled with outdoor learning and plenty of discovery!

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Year 2 Summer 1



Summer 1 – We Are Geographers – BRAZIL! : Who are the Indigenous Tribes of the Amazon Rainforest?

What we are up to: We will look at where Brazil is in the world, in comparison to where we live in the UK. We will gain understanding of Brazil being the home to the Amazon Rainforest (the largest rainforest in the world) and the Amazon River (the largest river in the world that flows through the forest). We will learn about the Indigenous Tribes that live in the Amazon Rainforest and how they survive by hunting, fishing and gathering fruit from the forest, as well as how they are under threat from deforestation.

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 2, please look at our **WOW** moments on our learning page on the school's website. Please follow the link to our Year 2 learning page here:

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Year 2 Summer 2

If I Were In Charge Of The World ... : How can I make a difference in the world?

What we are up to: During this unit, we will use Mary Seacole's incredible story to understand how she helped change Britain. We will look at the significant events in her life, her greatest achievements and how we know about these today. As part of this, we will also consider how we can help change the world in our own lives and in others' lives too, to make it an even better place for everyone.

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Year 3 Summer 1



Brighton Rocks: Why does Brighton Rock?

This half term, the children in Year 3 will be learning all about our local area, with a focus on Brighton. They will explore how Brighton has changed over time, learning about Brighton during pre-historic times, the Victorian era, Brighton as a seaside holiday destination and modern-day Brighton. They will consider the physical geographical features and the human features and how people have made Brighton such an interesting place to be, attracting visitors from all over the country. We will be writing leaflets to advertise Brighton to other tourists as well as making souvenir tote bags in DT. We will end our topic with a fantastic visit to Brighton itself, exploring the Royal Pavilion and museum!

Take a look at our website page to find out more: [Year 3 | Learning | Glebe Primary School](#)

Year 3 Summer 2



Save our Rivers: How is plastic affecting the world's oceans and rivers?

During this half term children will learn about the impact plastics are having on our environment, in particular in our oceans. They will develop an understanding of the importance of recycling and the impact waste has on the environment through our key text 'What a Waste' by Jess French. We will take part in a litter pick to help protect our local beaches and seas. To end our unit, children will write a letter to our local MP about the importance of protecting our local area from plastic pollution as well as getting creative by using recyclable objects to make some inspirational artwork to spread our important message.

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Glebe's Pear Tree Nursery

Our Nursery is open for children to join after their 3rd birthday, we open for school hours and vouchers are accepted. If you are interested in a Nursery place for your child then please contact the office. In our second year of opening now, we really see a positive difference with those who attended last year, who are now in YR. They know their school and their learning and school readiness are advanced. We highly recommend the provision if your child is due to start school in September 2026. **Please book a tour and apply for places via the office team.**

Events:

Summer term 1

Y5 swimming 16/4 to 21/5

Monday 4th May bank Holiday (school closed)

Thursday 7th May 4S class assembly for parents in the Sports Hall 8.45am.

W/O 11th May SAT's Week Y6.

Thursday 14th May 3A class assembly for parents in the Sports Hall 8.45am.

Wednesday 20th May 2pm Y4 Show for parents/carers – Sports Hall.

Thursday 21st May Non-uniform day for donations towards extra playtime equipment (please donate online- no cash).
Ice Lolly sale 21st May after school in bandstand for Y6 fundraising.

Half term for children: Thursday 22nd May 2026

Summer Term 2

Back to school for all: Mon 1st June 2026

Friday 5th June Class photographs day.

Friday 12th June Y2 Arundel Castle visit.

Thursday 18th June and Thursday 9th July Guitar concerts for parents (invites TBA).

Monday 22nd June Y5 Taster Event at Shoreham Academy 3.15-4.15pm.

Wednesday 24th June Y6 residential trip to Penshurst Place, Kent.

W/O 29th June Shoreham Academy Transition Week for Y6 (different days for each house).

Tuesday 30th June Piano concert for parents (invites TBA).

Thursday 2nd July 2.15pm Nursery & YR Summer Show for parents and carers- Sports Hall.

Monday 6th July 3.30pm September 2026 new YR parent meeting (Old Hall).

Tuesday 7th July Move Up Day: Time in new classrooms with September teachers and parents and carers come and meet new teachers and see classrooms after school.

Tuesday 14th July 1/15pm Y6 leaver's Assembly for parents. Sports Hall.

Wednesday 15th July Y6 leaver's events.

Friday 17th July Non-uniform for donations towards playtime equipment (donations online please).

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