

Newsletter 2 Term 4

Friday 8th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a couple of very busy weeks and there is still a lot happening next week.

We will have our Easter egg hunt on Tuesday followed by a WWO afternoon in our house teams. Beech class are looking forward to their trip to Fishbourne on Wednesday and on Thursday we have our Easter Bonnet and Easter garden competition as well as our Easter service at 2p.m. You are very welcome to watch the children parade in their Easter bonnets at the start of the day in the playground, weather permitting.

Laughton had its graded Ofsted this week so we appreciate everyone's understanding in us both being delayed in getting back to emails e.t.c .



Congratulations to Pips Class who had the highest attendance last week, both Beech classes who had joint highest attendance this week.



Golden Book

Week commencing 11th March 2024

PIPS Beau for aspirational learning, sharing his interest in the Titanic and creating some amazing drawings of it.

Ferne for consistently displaying all of the school values 100 per cent of the time, amazingly brilliant.

CHERRY Leonard for having the courage to taste new food during our salad preparation lesson in STEM week.

Augie for his perseverance when making a poster in a science lesson during STEM week. Augie tried hard to draw a person dancing.

BEECH David and Bella for their amazing working together skills during maths this week! They are fraction superstars!

HOLLY Lowen has a wonderful way with words and never fails to impress me with his writing.

Shea for his enthusiastic approach towards his learning - he inspires those around him with his zealous interest.

Week commencing 18th March 2024

PIPS Hector, Andrius and Louis all for aspirational learning - trying their best, completing activities and for respectful listening during carpet time.

CHERRY Milo and Edward for consistently following the school values and being great role models for their peers.

BEECH Phoenix Ryan for his thoughtful work during our RE day last week. Phoenix had thought carefully about different feelings over Holy Week and made a lovely display.

HOLLY Mabel for her aspirational work in both English and maths. She takes risks with her learning and produces excellent work .

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(Please note all dates can also be found on our website at firleprimary.eschools.co.uk)

MARCH

Friday 22 nd	Street Dance
	Movie Night in the Village Hall
Monday 25 th	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK
	Book Fair all week
	Pips and Cherry Around the World Day at Laughton
Tuesday 26 th	Year 6 and Reception Height and Weight
	Reception Vision Check
Wednesday 27 th	Beech Class Trip to Fishbourne
Thursday 28 th	Year 4 swimming
	Easter Bonnets and Gardens
	Easter Service
	Last Day of Term

APRIL

Monday 15 th	Back to School
	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK
Monday 22 nd	AITC Football Club
	Modelling Club
Tuesday 23 rd	Modelling Club
Wednesday 24 th	French Club
Thursday 25 th	Spanish Club
Friday 26 th	Street Dance Club
Monday 29 th	AITC Football Club
Tuesday 30 th	Modelling Club
	Beech Class to visit a Hindu Temple

MAY

Wednesday 1 st	French Club
Thursday 2 nd	Spanish Club
Friday 3 rd	Street Dance Club
Monday 6 th	Bank Holiday

Chloe for her amazing attitude to learning. She works hard, has a positive attitude and is producing some fantastic work.

EASTER CHURCH SERVICE

Our annual Easter Service will be on Thursday 28th March at 2pm. You are all welcome to join us. We would be grateful for any help walking the children to St Peter's. Please let the school office know if you are able to help, for our risk assessment, and come to the school back gate for 1.30pm. Thank you.



EASTER BONNETS AND GARDENS

Our Easter Bonnets and Gardens competitions will take place at 9am on Thursday 28th March. All the children are invited to make an Easter Bonnet or an Easter Garden (or both) and the best in each year group will win a prize.



REMINDERS

Please remember to keep your child off school for 48 hours after a bout of sickness or diarrhoea. Also make sure that your child's hair is tied back if it is long enough, this helps to prevent the spread of nits!

As the weather starts to turn warmer, please apply sun cream to your child on the warmer days and given them a bring a water bottle to bring in every day.



HOLLY CLASS TRIP TO ST ANDREW'S PREP

St Andrew's Prep invited Holly Class to see their production of 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang' on Wednesday morning. They were picked up by minibus and given cookies at the interval. Fletcher said 'It was really , really good and I thought it was really creative and they had an orchestra to play the music.' Mabel said 'The performers were really young and they did a very good job.'

WELLY WALK

Many thanks to all the parents who have volunteered for our welly walks, we can't do them without you! We will be starting them again on Wednesday 17th April, please let the office know if you are able to help between 2 and 3 pm.



BEECH CLASS TRIP TO FISHBORNE ROMAN VILLA

On Wednesday 27th March Beech Class will be exploring in and around the grounds of Fishbourne Roman Palace and in addition to this all children will take part in a 'Roman Life' workshop where they will learn about what people did at Fishbourne 2,000 years ago, as well as giving children a chance to try a variety of hands-on activities including spinning wool, writing on wax tablets, mosaic-making, arch building and role play in the replica Roman kitchen.

FAMILY GRAPEVINE

The latest magazine is filled with ideas of things to do this spring with activities, days out, events this Easter; it is also offering 5 fantastic competitions for a chance of winning some fabulous prizes, from days out to annual passes, as well as the chance to win a family photoshoot this spring with a fabulous local photographer! Download it here:

<https://thefamilygrapevine.co.uk/eastbourne-wealden-lewes/see-a-copy/>.

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RED NOSE DAY

Well done to everyone! We raised a massive £67 and our cake sale made £55.



MENU

CHANGE

On Thursday 27th March we will be having Fish Fingers or Quorn Nuggets instead of our usual menu.

GIRLS' FOOTBALL

Well done to Edelyne, player of the week!

ONLINE SAFETY ADVICE

Please see the attached

ALBION IN THE COMMUNITY FOOTBALL CLUBS

Please use the following links to book your child on for term 5 week commencing 22nd April

Mondays Y1-Y6

<https://bookings.bhafcfoundation.org.uk/activities/courses/courses.htm?coursesSearch=search&clientCode=ASC-FIPS-32>

Thursdays Girls Lunch Club Y1-Y6

<https://bookings.bhafcfoundation.org.uk/activities/courses/courses.htm?coursesSearch=search&clientCode=ASCG-FIPS-6>



Huge Congratulations to Izzy who won a medal for her brilliant picture of the AMEX at sunset and Jacob for his football related drawings.



BOOK FAIR

After school each day next week, the book fair will be available for you to visit in the school hall. Staff will help man the stall but if anyone else is able to help then please let the school office know. Payments can be made via using a QR code on your phone, or in cash.

The children will be able to use their World Book Day tokens at the Book Fair, these will be distributed to them on Monday.

SUMMER MENU

Please see attached the new summer menu including some exciting new dishes. We would also like to take the opportunity to remind you that Parent Pay accounts must be cleared weekly. If there is an outstanding balance on your ParentPay account, please provide a pack lunch until the account is clear. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

PIPS and CHERRY CLASSES AROUND THE WORLD DAY

On Monday 25th March Pips and Cherry Classes will be spending the day at Laughton for their 'Around the World Day'. Please drop your child at Laughton Primary School (BN8 6AH) at 9am and collect at 2.45pm. In the morning the children will experience what it might be like to visit an airport and fly on a plane. They will each have their own passport and boarding pass. Once we make it through bag check-in and passport control children will visit the different continents where they will take part in different workshops based around each continent. After their visit children will fly back to England ready for home time to tell you all about their experience.

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

Holiday food and fun is back for the Easter holidays! East Sussex Holiday Activities and Food Programme. Otherwise known as the HAF programme, this initiative is funded by the Department for Education and is now in its fourth year. It is all set to provide more enriching activities this Easter, free of charge for children who receive benefits-related free school meals. The programme ensures that children can have fun, eat healthily, and socialise with their peers during the school holidays of Easter, summer and winter. There are activities for young people in Reception to Year 11 inclusive. A meal is provided at each session for everyone who attends. To see what's on offer and to book a session, parents should click on the 'List of holiday clubs' button on our Holiday food and fun webpage.

Last year we had some amazing feedback from families. Here's a sample of what they said:

Parent/ carer comments:

- They came home happy and exhausted from their day but were excited to go back for more!
- My child had the best day. He usually gets extremely anxious, he didn't know anyone but everyone was so welcoming. He felt at ease straight away. The activities were brilliant! As soon as he came out, he asked when he can go back and see his new friends!
- My daughter goes in happily and is so proud of everything she makes. She still has everything she made from the summer club on display in her room. Her confidence astounds me for her age. She certainly feels safe and loves going to this club.

Young people's comments:

- I loved the food and it was fun to have something to do in the day where I feel safe. (Young person aged 13)
- They have lots of creative stuff to do. (Young person aged 7)
- Best time ever, definitely want to go again. (Young person aged 8)

For families that do not currently receive benefit-related free school meals but think they may be eligible, please visit our Free school meals webpage to find out how to apply.

SCHOOL HEALTH VISIT

On 26th March the School Health Team will be visiting us to do height and weight checks for year R and 6 and vision checks for year R.

Kind regards, Mrs Rachel West and Mrs Vicki Brown

