



# P.P.S. NEWSLETTER

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Job 34:4 'Learn together what is good...'

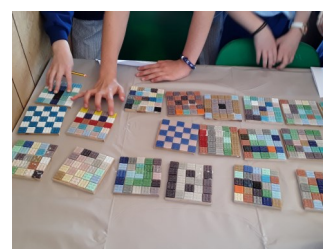
24th May 2019  
Summer Term No.2

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Beech Class Day in Petworth Park

Beech class had the "best trip ever" on Wednesday 22nd May. We spent the day in Petworth Park. The day began with some maths (as usual) but this maths involved finding out the ages of trees, or measuring lengths of natural objects. Some children chose to do problem solving puzzles using sticks, others chose patterns or symmetry tasks. After an exciting playtime with all the adults playing games too, we created tree poems. Some of these were read and celebrated between the 500+ year old trees.

After lunch, the day continued with sketching the park landscape. Using pencils and charcoal we carefully observed the scenery and created some lovely artwork. Everyone then enjoyed having a go at bark rubbing. Following this, we ended the day by making our own human 'sculpture garden' next to the pond. We are sure the park visitors never guessed we were real people! Such a good day, the whole class want to go again.



## Maple Visit Bignor Villa

On Tuesday 21st May, Year Four enjoyed a trip to Bignor Roman Villa. During the day we had a guided tour of the museum dressed as different members of the Roman household and role played a day in the life of the Roman family! We learned about the different rooms in the villa, how the hypocaust would work and spent time in the ancient bath house. During a hands-on workshop, we ground corn to make flour using quern stones, wrote using the Roman alphabet on wax tablets and made mosaic coasters using tiles. A fun day of cross-curricular learning was enjoyed by all the children.





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## Saltwater Creations

Children in KS2 were visited this week by Saltwater Creations – a charity which helps young people overcome challenges in their life through surfing. Children were told an inspirational story by the visitor about how she used surfing, friends and compassionate acts to help her recover from a personal loss. Children were encouraged to reflect on how this might relate to the challenges they face in day-to-day life and what they could learn from this. At the end of the session, they had a brief 'surf' lesson and decorated pebbles from the beach for others to find.

## PAS Cross Country

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Petworth CofE Primary School organised the latest sporting event for our local schools. Once again we challenged the children to run a cross country course, which is approximately three quarters of a mile.

Five schools attended with 41 girls and 61 boys running a very undulating course. The girls were first to go and as usual there was a stampede to reach the gate first. As the parents waited by the finish line the girls started to appear over the crest of the hill. Evelyn was narrowly beaten and finished second; Mae was 7<sup>th</sup>, April 13<sup>th</sup>, Ferne 20<sup>th</sup> and Eve finished 27<sup>th</sup>. Also running were Maria, Caitlin, Sophie R, Evie, Lily Rose, Jasmine, Layla, Bethany and Poppy. Overall the girls finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the team event.

Next were the boys, who were very keen to get going. Of course the initial sprint occurred and you could hear the whispers of, 'They won't keep that speed up.' Of course some of the boys suffered due to their initial speed whereas some kept up a relaying pace. Once again we waited patiently at the finish line and Lloyd finished a close second place; Jack R 6<sup>th</sup>; Marley 9<sup>th</sup>; Brook 10<sup>th</sup>; Hendricks 16<sup>th</sup>. The rest of the boys team were Jack B, Archie, Shay, Jack T, Mark, Hayden, Oliver D, Jak, Liam and Lewis. Due to these fantastic results our boys team won the team event.

I am very proud of all of our runners as they all tried their best to beat the person in front of them, challenged themselves and tried to beat their previous result.

## SPAG FACT

**Grammatical Feature :** Hyphen

**Definition :** Punctuation which joins one or more words or adds a prefix to a word.

**Example :** Happy-go-lucky

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## Dates for your Diary 2019

Fri	24 May	Break up for Half Term at 3.15pm
Mon	3 June	INSET DAY School Closed
Tues	4 June	Back to School at 8.30am
Thurs	13 June	Willow Class Forest School Group 1
Fri	21 June	Non-School Uniform Day (bring a bottle for the PPSA Summer Fair)
Tues	25 June	Year5/6 Rounders Tournament 3.30-5pm (details to follow)
Sat	29 June	PPSA Summer Fair
Mon	1 July	Year 6 Leaver Service Chichester Cathedral AM (details to follow)
Wed	3 July	MRC Transition Day
Wed	10 July	KS2 Athletics Watersfield (details to follow)
Wed	10 July	KS2 Production Darwin Rocks 5pm
Thurs	11 July	KS2 Production Darwin Rocks 5pm
Thurs	11 July	Elm Class Countryside Day Ardingly
Fri	12 July	Sports Day 1.15pm
Mon	15 July	Leavers Service Eucharist 9-10.30am
Mon	22 July	Year 6 Sports Evening 3.30-5pm
Tues	23 Jul	Last Day of Term finish at 3.15pm

## Inset Days (school closed)

Monday	3rd June 2019
Monday	2nd September 2019
Friday	25th October 2019
Monday	24th February 2020
Monday	1st June 2020
Monday	20th July 2020