



MPS Friday Flyer

Friday 16th June 2023

Date	Event /Activity	Details
Mon 19 th June	Year 1 & 3 PE today Stay & Play Year 3 class trip Dance club Girls football club	Don't forget your PE kit 9.45 - 11am – Reception chn for new intake Iping Common – packed lunch, own clothes – long legs please, sun hat & sunscreen and lots to drink! 3.30 - 4.30 – ALL WELCOME 3.30 - 4.30 Yrs 4, 5 & 6 **Last one**
Tues 20 th June	Own clothes day for 50p Reception class PE today Woodwind lessons Year 4, 5 & 6 PE today Aspire football club all years	Collection for FSW/Y6 service – more info below Don't forget your PE kit Don't forget your instruments Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 – 4.30
Weds 21 st June	Year 1 & 2 PE today School council visit	Don't forget your PE kit Y6 school councillors' trip to Chi council chambers
Thurs 22 nd June	Year 3 & 6 PE today Little woods forest schools Reception Big woods forest schools Dance club	Don't forget your kit Reception Group 3 (please wear kit and bring uniform) Year 2 Group 1 3.30 – 4.30 – ALL WELCOME
Fr 23 rd June SUMMER FAIR TODAY 3 – 5pm own clothes for a jar for the children's tombola	Foodbank registration closes Piano lessons Year 2, 4 & 5 PE today PTA School Summer Fair	Last day to register for summer lunchbox scheme Don't forget your music Don't forget your PE kit 3-5pm on the school field
Mon 26 th June	Year 1 & 3 PE today Y6 Leavers service Zoolab in pm Dance club	Don't forget your PE kit Chichester cathedral 10.30am - Y6 parents welcome Rec/Y1 & Y2 3.30 - 4.30 – ALL WELCOME
Tues 27 th June	Reception class PE today Woodwind lessons Year 4, 5 & 6 PE today Aspire football club all years	Don't forget your PE kit Don't forget your instruments Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 – 4.30
Weds 28 th June	Stay and Play Year 1 & 2 PE today	9.45 - 11am – Reception chn for new intake Don't forget your PE kit
Thurs 29 th June	Year 3 & 6 PE today Little woods forest schools Reception Big woods forest schools Dance club	Don't forget your kit Reception Group 3 (please wear kit and bring uniform) Year 2 Group 2 3.30 – 4.30 – ALL WELCOME

Fri 30 th June	Piano lessons Year 2, 4 & 5 PE today 50 th School celebrations	Don't forget your music Don't forget your PE kit More details to follow!
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Last week's update:

Another week has zoomed by and what another hot and sticky one it has been! Before I start on this week's news I have exciting news about last week's MRC cricket tournament to share courtesy of Mrs Alden!

'Last Friday I had the pleasure of taking our cricket team to a tournament which was the last of the tournaments which make up the Rother Valley Schools Sports League. There were 9 schools taking part and matches were very speedy with each pair facing 3 balls, so accuracy and focus were very important. Luckily, our team has that in abundance :-). We were in a group with 4 others schools and we got off to a brilliant start winning our first game convincingly. This form continued and we won all of our games in this group, which meant we were in the final. We faced Camelsdale in the final who have been very close competitors of ours throughout the season. It was a nail-biting game, but we held our nerve and won by one run! This made us the overall winners of the tournament; a brilliant season finale. The team, as ever, showed themselves to be, not only very talented sports stars, but also demonstrated lovely sportsmanship throughout'



Well done to all our cricketers – another shield to add to our trophy cabinet! Amazing job!



We began the week with a very exciting whole school assembly – a talented chap called James from Rock Steady shared his creative music ability with us all, playing the electric guitar, keyboards & drums as well as singing to us all! The children loved it, clapping and singing along and listening well as James explained that, come the Autumn term of next year, the children may have a chance to sign up to Rock Steady and be part of our very own school band. This is VERY exciting – watch out for more news in the new academic year! After the assembly Lewis in Y3 came down to the office to invite me up to his class to help with the tasting of their latest cooking challenge – Garlic doughballs! It quite made my day to wander up and join in with the tasting session – some parts of this

job really aren't so bad after all. Well done to all in Y3 and Mrs Alden & Ms Rose who are mad enough to attempt whole class cooking – the doughballs were DELICIOUS!!!



On Tuesday Year 1 definitely had glorious weather for their trip to Chichester Cathedral. They learned all about the first church in the local area, walked over the roman mosaic floor, saw the gorgeous stained-glass windows depicting the Old and New Testament and even used the font to christen the doll. As always the Y1 team were super proud of how the children behaved, especially as the Cathedral was pretty busy. When they returned to school the children made their own stained-glass windows, like the ones they had seen in the Cathedral.

Sadly, the two athletics events set to take place at Conifers school on Wednesday and Thursday were cancelled due to the heat. A good call for Mrs Alden and the children who were planning to walk there and back as well as compete in the athletics! I know we are a resilient bunch but in the heat we have had that ___

would have been a bit much for the toughest of competitors. They are hoping to reschedule the event for the Autumn term now when hopefully things will be a little cooler and the road open too.

However, the minibuses were out and about with two football teams representing the school at the Aspire football tournament, held at Stedham. Mr Ind and Mr Chandler enjoyed a morning of friendly and fair competition with both teams playing well. I'm not sure of the final position for our teams, but I do know that their behaviour was exemplary, showing great sportsmanship whether they won or lost games AND we had the most girls playing in our teams which was great to see! Well done to both teams and thanks to both Mr Ind and Mr Chandler for accompanying the children AND to our minibus drivers for braving the manoeuvring and parking!



I enjoyed my time at forest schools with the Year 2 group on Thursday afternoon, it is always much cooler in the woods on a really hot day! The children enjoyed weaving friendship bracelets, creating journey sticks, building dens and learning how to make a traceless fire to toast marshmallows over. I will really miss my time in the woods come September that's for sure. Thanks to everyone who managed to bring in a bottle today for the summer fair bottle tombola! What a variety we have! Don't forget next week we are collecting jars with children's 'goodies' inside for the children's tombola – these goodies can be anything from sweets to Lego, hair accessories to small toys, keyrings to bouncy balls – basically anything a child might like to win that you can fit in a jar! Thank you in advance!

Supporting the work of the Diocesan Family Support worker team!

As many of you will be aware every summer our Year 6 children attend a very special Leavers Service, organised by Chichester Diocese and held at Chichester Cathedral and every year we take a donation to give to the chosen charity. This year donations are being given to the amazing Family Support Work that the diocese provide. Many of you will know our very own Family Support Worker Kirsty Hewitt, whose AMAZING work is funded by this charity. Because Kirsty is very dear to our hearts we thought this year we would try and match fund our usual £50 donation by holding an own clothes day next Tuesday 20th June. The whole school is invited to wear their own clothes on this day for a 50p donation or more to be put towards this worthwhile cause. Let's see if we can double our money and take at least £100 to the service this year!



Welcoming the new vicar of Midhurst Parish Church!

The news is out we now have a new vicar! The Reverend Marcus Collie will be installed on Thurs 27th July marking the start of his time at Midhurst Parish Church. Marcus' words below were taken from the latest weekly update from the church!

I am delighted to have been selected to be the new vicar of Midhurst and rector of Woolbeding and look forward to joining you.

Linda, Ellie (17), William (14) and I come with two loopy border-collies (as well as a few pet rabbits), so it is

likely you might spot us walking with the dogs around town and surrounding lanes in the near future. My professional background prior to ordination was in commercial banking, supporting small businesses across the South East. My ordination training was undertaken via Ripon College Cuddesdon and I served my curacy in inner city Portsmouth. Most recently I have been serving two suburban parishes near Waterlooville in Hampshire. Being country people at heart we are all excited to be returning to a more rural parish after many years living and working in the city!

Linda is a GP in Portsmouth, whilst Ellie and William are both school students. Ellie has recently qualified as a lifeguard, and William is a keen footballer in his spare time.

We look forward to meeting all of you and settling into life in Midhurst.

Exciting times ahead!

Beth's leaving service – Sunday 9th July

Our lovely Beth, who has worked tirelessly with us all this year in the absence of a vicar is leaving to have her baby! Please see information in the letter below (also emailed out) to invite every member of the school community to a special service celebrating and thanking Beth for all she has brought to her role as Youth minister over the years. I will be there – so please do come along and join me!

Foodbank reminders!

DON'T FORGET - The final date for registering your foodbank vouchers for the summer holidays is this coming Sunday 18th June!

ALSO – the lovely foodbank team have asked me to remind parents that I am both willing and able to give out emergency foodbank vouchers to families at ANY time – not just for the holiday lunchbox scheme. Please do just come and speak to me on the gate or give me a ring at school. The process is easy, speedy and never a problem. It is my understanding that soon you will not be offered food without a voucher and we are more than happy to help!! Just ask!!



School trips and hot dinner bookings.

It has come to our notice that when we take children out on school trips parents sometimes forget to cancel the hot dinner that they have booked for them. This is understandable as these have to be ordered SO far in advance – however every free school meal hot dinner booked has to be paid for, even if it is not eaten. Therefore, we have made the decision to check and cancel any hot dinners ordered for school trip days to avoid being billed for food ordered, delivered and not eaten.

PTA update – NEXT FRIDAY!

The PTA needs any unwanted teddy bears and fidget toys for the summer fair – just drop up to school at any point.

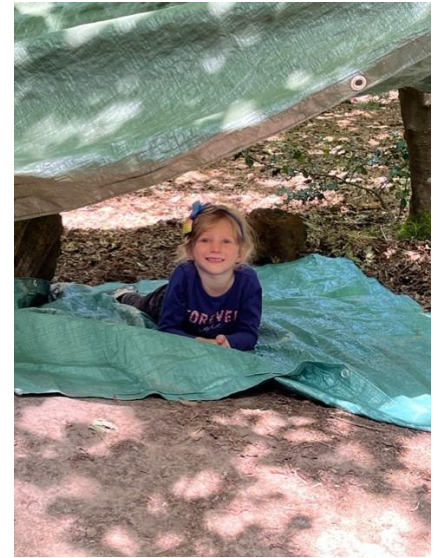
Friday 23rd June – own clothes for a jar of any small items for children's tombola

FREEZE POP FRIDAYS ARE ALSO BACK – PLEASE BRING YOUR 50p's!!





Our rockin' assembly on Monday!

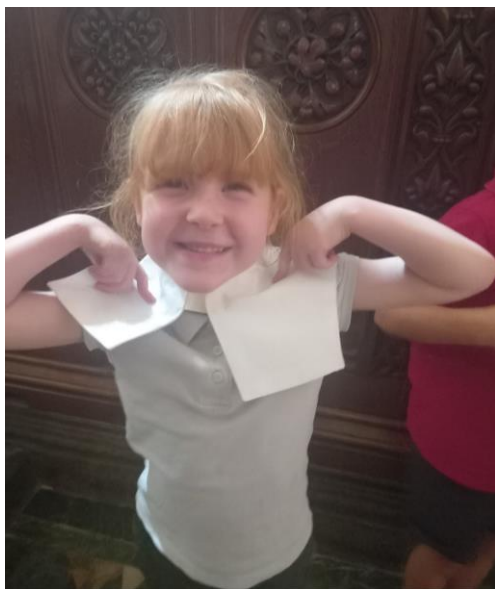


Year 2 in the woods!



Year 3 Garlic doughballs!





Year 1 fun in the cathedral!



MIDHURST C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUMMER FAIR

Friday 23rd June
3-5pm

FREE ENTRY

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!



For more information: Facebook - Midhurst C of E Primary School PTA



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12 June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to you because your child or children are pupils at Midhurst Primary School, or come along to our Messy Church sessions or ignite youth groups.

As you will know Beth, our Children and Families Minister, will be leaving that post at the end of July. Beth has done a lot of work with the children in the school and church, and we would like to have a simple, fun, all age service in church to endorse that, and to thank her for all she has done.

I am therefore inviting you and your family to join us on **SUNDAY 9 JULY at 10.30am**, and I am very much hoping that you will be able to come along. It would be great if some of the children could take part in the service by doing a reading or prayer, and if you have a youngster who would like to help in this way, please email me at with your contact details at curate@midhurstparishchurch.net and I will be in touch.

With very best wishes

Jane



MIDHURST CENTRE

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Holiday lunchbox Tel: 07960 917366
midhurstlunchpacks@chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk

June 6th 2023

REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY LUNCH BOX

Time is running out to register.

Registration officially closes Sunday June 18th

If you are eligible, your child's school will have issued you with a voucher

Use the voucher number to register either on-line by visiting

chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/lunchpacks

or by phoning

MIDHURST FOODBANK LUNCHBOX PHONE **07960 917366**

Leave your details: Your name, address including post code, the names and ages of children and their voucher numbers. The process will be done for you.

LOST YOUR VOUCHER?

Please contact the school and they will re-issue it to you.

Boxes will be delivered during the morning of either

Wednesday 19th or Thursday 20th July

Please don't leave it to the last minute!

With best wishes,

Karen Lovett

(Midhurst foodbank KLP co-ordinator)



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Children can become superstars at the library this summer!

1 in 5 children cannot read well by the age of 11. This hugely limits their life choices and skills so we're on a mission to change this and we need your help!

We invite you to encourage your pupils to take up the **Summer Reading Challenge**. It's the UK's biggest reading for pleasure programme for children aged 4 to 11, presented by **The Reading Agency** and delivered via public libraries.

Last year, in West Sussex over 10,000 children joined the Challenge and this year we would love to reach even more. You can make a huge difference by supporting Library-staff led assemblies in your schools (staff will be reaching out to you shortly), sending out information about the challenge to your school families, and encouraging your pupils to take part in the challenge at their local library.

Ready, Set, Read! encourages children to choose and read some amazing library books over the holiday. They also receive a fab fold out poster and the more they read the more scratch and sniff smelly stickers they collect. There are fun activities in the library too, including a Character Hunt with a chance of entering a prize draw. If they complete the challenge by Saturday 9 September, they are rewarded with a medal and certificate. They just need a library card to join in the fun.

What's more; it's free to join the library and free to take part. The fun starts on **Saturday 8 July** so encourage your pupils to hop, skip or jump down to their local library!

To find out more, take a look at our special *animation video*, '[West Sussex Libraries – Summer Reading Challenge Video 2023 – Ready, Set, Read!](#)' or explore our [website](#).

Register at <https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/welcome> or scan the QR code.





Children's event with author and illustrator Sam Lloyd



Come along to meet Boris and his friends, listen to some stories, sing some songs...and even make your own mini monster!

Suitable for children aged 2-7

**Pre-booking is essential
Please speak with staff to reserve a place**

**Parents and carers must remain with their child during
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**Saturday 24th June
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Petworth Festival Family Events 2023

Petworth Festival brings two family events to this year's West Sussex Festival line-up

Family Theatre: David Walliams' *Bad Dad* - 3.00pm, Sunday 16 July 2023 - Bignor Park

The festival returns to the beautiful grounds of Bignor Park for an open air theatre production of *Bad Dad*, an adaptation of the children's best seller by the man dubbed 'the heir to Roald Dahl', David Walliams.



Bad Dad follows Frank and his father Gilbert as they struggle to escape the clutches of the local crime lord and clear Gilbert's name.

The warm-hearted tale follows the highs and lows of a father and son relationship as they navigate their way through a world of crime, car chases and convicts. And all in Bignor Park...

Tickets

www.petworthfestival.org.uk

Adult ticket: £14 per ticket

18 and under ticket: £8 per ticket - Family ticket: £35 (up to 4 people, with a maximum of 2 adults)

Alice in Wonderland (family promenade theatre) - Saturday 22 & Sunday 23 July, from 11am – Coultershaw Heritage Site

(There will be 8 performances per day lasting approximately one hour across the day for promenading groups of up to 20)

Following the sheer delight that was last year's promenade production of *Wind in the Willows*, we welcome back Wild Immersive Theatre for their latest production – *Alice in Wonderland*. Once again, audiences will discover Coultershaw's fabulous heritage site in the company of four hugely engaging performers as they bring Lewis Carroll's classic tale to life around the atmospheric mill pond.

Along the trail encounter the most extraordinary characters, like the Mad Hatter celebrating a very merry unbrithday, a Caterpillar with an identity crisis and the Queen of Hearts who's seeing red over her stolen jam tarts... An adventure like no other, *Alice In Wonderland* is filled with fun, laughter and lots of magical moments. Brought to life by the minds of Wild Immersive

theatre and no matter how big or small you end up, you'll be left in wonder – land.

Tickets

www.petworthfestival.org.uk

Adult ticket: £10 per ticket

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SCHOOL BENEFITS

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- How to build a rock band from scratch
- How a band works
- How to play to a beat
- An understanding of musical notes
- How to listen to each other's part in the band

LESSON BENEFITS

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