



FRIDAY FLYER

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Our second week together and what a week it's been. We seem to be stretching the summer weather out as long as possible!

As I'm writing this the smell of freshly baked bread is streaming through my study door. After some investigation I've found out that our wonderful Reception Class are baking bread today! I have to admit I am a little excited and hopeful that they don't

forget their Headteacher and bring me some to try! I try to spend as much time as I can with our new children in Reception -and it is wonderful to see how quickly they have settled – a testament to your children and the care and warmth shown by Miss Channon and her amazing staff. Don't take my word for it though, please come and see for yourself. I am always happy to show you around and for you to spend some time with your child in their classroom. We are planning a number of Meet the Teacher events in the coming weeks. These are afternoons where you can visit your child's classroom during the school day and witness the magic at first hand! They are really useful and give you a much greater insight into your child's experience and how we can work together to ensure they really do – as the great S Club 7 once said – *Reach for the Stars!*

So, in order to celebrate the start of our Meet the Teacher events we are holding a Meet the Headteacher afternoon on Monday 25th September at 2.30pm. This will take place in the school hall and will involve cake! Midhurst, Mr Jefferson and Cake – what is there not to like? I have met so many of you on the gate but do try to come. This will give me an opportunity to talk about my vision for our wonderful school and also give you an opportunity to ask me any questions.

This has been another amazing week on our learning journey together. I am so proud of our children on a daily basis and I hope some of the photos in this week's Friday Flyer tell that story. Whether that be reading some of their first words, counting in 10s to 100, digging over the garden ready for the autumn, getting into school without that little tear or beginning to be trained as a Subject Ambassador in Year 6, this week has been a week of celebration and success for every one of our children. That makes me proud and I am sure it is the same for you as parents.

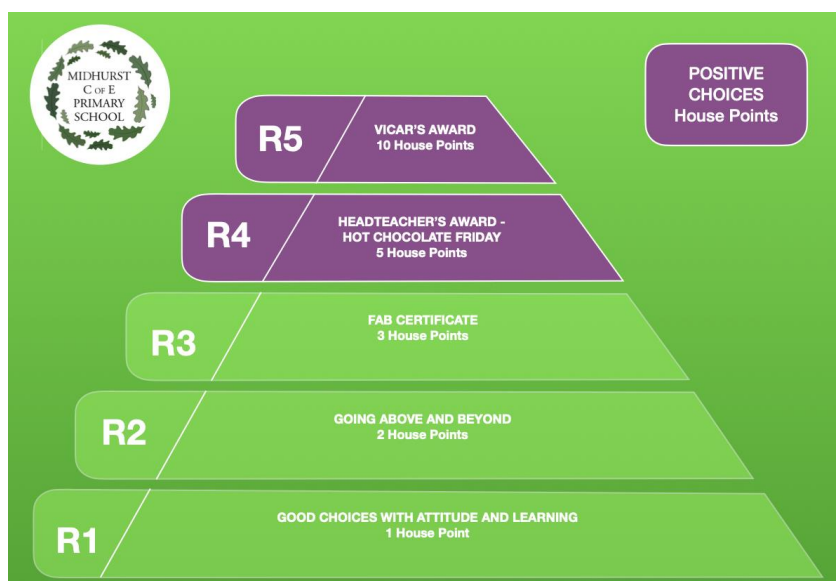
So once again, I wish you a restful weekend and hope that it starts as well as mine, for I have some wonderful steaming freshly baked bread sitting next to me brought by Vinnie in Reception.

A headteacher's work is never done!

With every best wish!

Mark

REWARD POINTS



From September, we have spent much time reviewing our Behaviour Policy in school. At Midhurst, we have a system of rewards in place to promote the highest expectations of our children. We encourage, praise and reward positive behaviour through a variety of rewards which run through the school. I am going to be talking about our policy towards behaviour more in the Meet the Headteacher event but I want to

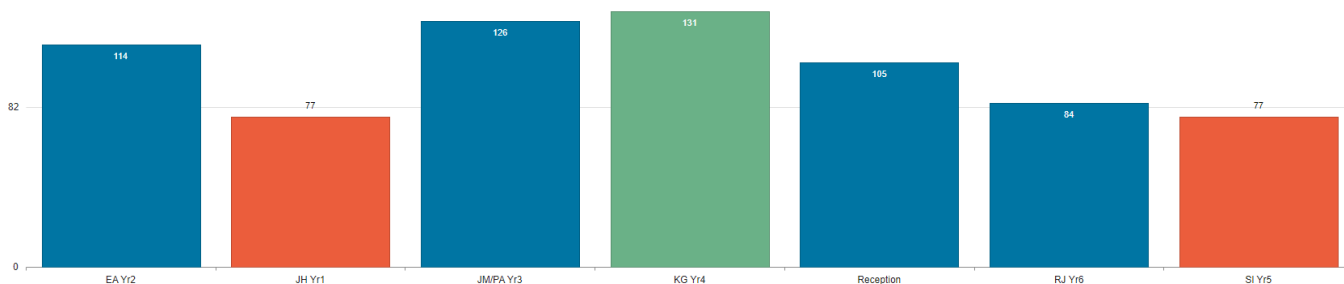
share your children's success with you now.

We all like to be told that we are doing well and, in school, we have many ways to say "Well done" to our children, so that they are rewarded for all their efforts. This means that we reward our children for all sorts of things like; reading at home, practising their spellings, having a go at some homework, their attendance at school, the work that they do in lessons, the way that they are to each other and the adults in our school, if they achieve their target or if they have done something fantastic but most of all we like to reward our children for being the best that they can be.

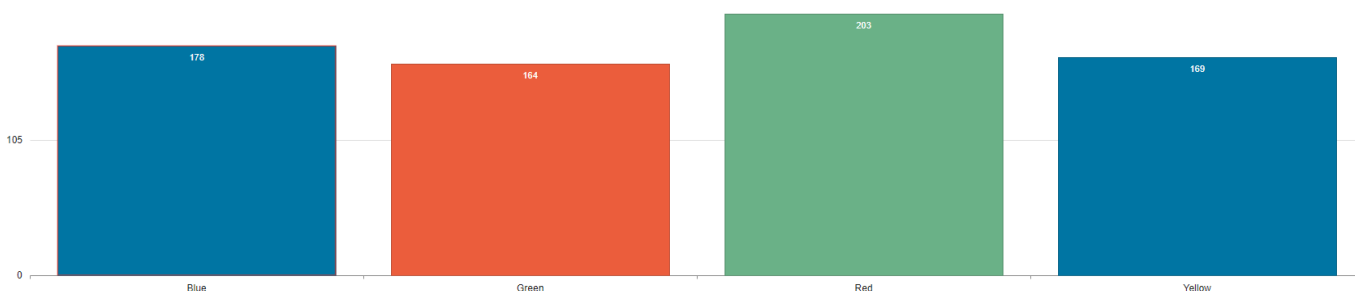
As you can see above, we have introduced a series of rewards linked to House Points that range from an R1 (1 House Point) to an R4 Headteacher's Award (5 House Points) where children are invited to Hot Chocolate Friday with me on a Friday morning and an R5 Vicar's Award (10 House Points) awarded by our School Chaplain, Rev. Marcus, where the children attend out of school reward trips such as toasting marshmallows in our Forest School site and other such exciting things.

As I have said, we will be sharing our Behaviour Policy with you in more detail at the Meet the Headteacher Event but I think it is vital that we work together in celebrating and encouraging our children so I will be including point totals in our weekly Friday Flyer.

So, congratulations to Mrs Griffiths Y4 class with the highest number of points this week with 131 points!



And congratulations to Red House who are currently in the lead with 203 points!



ROCKSTEADY



Rocksteady in-school band lessons are the perfect opportunity for your child to learn to play an instrument, develop life skills, have fun, gain confidence, and boost their wellbeing. As they progress through the Rocksteady curriculum, they will collect up to 300 different instrument, musicianship, and performance skills along the way.

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Your child can choose from drums, vocals, keyboard, electric or bass guitar (subject to availability).

They'll join their band mates for a weekly 30-minute lesson, where together they'll learn to play their favourite songs.

Places are offered on a first come, first served basis. Selecting different instrument options will also give you the best chance of getting a place.

For more details on availability and cost, visit www.rocksteadymusicschool.com and find our school on the sign-up page or call 0330 113 0330.

SCIENCE



Year 4 have been learning all about electricity. They were challenged this week to create a series circuit. The activities became more challenging as they had to add buzzers, motors and light.

The children were incredibly creative. The children had to problem solve if their buzzers and bulbs that didn't work.

This created a lot of discussion and sharing of equipment and ideas resulting in a rather exciting, inventive lesson. Scientists of the future.

MATHS



Year 4 have been working at place value to 10,000. Using practical equipment, the class have been adding and subtracting, one more/ less, ten more/ less. 100 more/less and 1000 more/less.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event /Activity	Details
Sunday 17 th Sep	Messy Church	3-5pm at Midhurst Parish Church
Monday 18 th Sep	Years 1 & 3 PE today Bikeability (Year 6) Dance club (Street)	Don't forget your PE kit All week 3.30 - 4.30pm
Tuesday 19 th Sep	Year 6 MRC Experience Day Year 2, 4, 5 & 6 PE today Year 1/2 trip to Beaulieu Aspire football club Years1-6	9.30 - 2pm – packed lunch and coats required as children will be walked to MRC from school. Don't forget your PE kit Please be in school for 8.30 in school uniform, with packed lunch, drink and a coat. 3.30 - 4.30pm
Wednesday 20 th Sep	Year 2 PE today	Don't forget your PE kit
Thursday 21 st Sep	Years 3, 5 & 6 PE today Little woods forest schools Friendship tea Dance club (Dynamic)	Don't forget your PE kit Year 1 Group 1 please wear kit and bring uniform 3.15 – 5pm – some Y6 children involved 3.30 - 4.30pm
Friday 22 nd Sep	Year 4 PE today Years 3 & 4 South Downs walk	Don't forget your PE kit Non-uniform, comfy clothes for walking, sensible shoes, light coat, packed lunch, drinks and a bag.
Monday 25 th	Years 1 & 3 PE today Meet the Headteacher	Don't forget your PE kit 2.30pm in the school hall – refreshments will be provided
Tuesday 26 th	Year 2, 4, 5 & 6 PE today	Don't forget your PE kit
Wednesday 27 th	Year 2 PE today	Don't forget your PE kit
Thursday 28 th	Years 3, 5 & 6 PE today	Don't forget your PE kit

	Governor Meeting	7pm in school – Full Governing Body
Friday 29th	Year 4 PE today Reception trip to Goodwood Farm	Don't forget your PE kit Please see letter from Miss Channon for more details.



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6.00 - 8.00pm

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MESSY CHURCH

Sunday 17th September

3pm-5pm

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This is a free event for Primary school age (ish) accompanied by an adult.



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CHURCH

How to get your FREE TICKETS:

Scan the QR code to book tickets for the event/s you'd like to attend, or go to madhurst.co.uk/whats-on



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Tickets required for all events except live music and fairs (table bookings may be required for restaurants).

For more information: visitmidhurst.com/whats-on

FREE EVENTS IN MIDHURST
SEPTEMBER SATURDAYS

2 September
FARMERS' AND ARTISAN MARKET

9 September
OUTDOOR CINEMA » SING 2 and ELVIS

16 September
FOLD OUR TOWN » origami event
LIVE MUSIC » at venues around town

23 September
GET ACTIVE DAY » BMX display team, face painting, rollerblading and more
VINTAGE FAIR » artisan makers and vintage finds

30 September
FAMILY FUN RUNS » 5k and 2k



everyone ACTIVE



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FREE EVENTS IN MIDHURST
SEPTEMBER SATURDAYS

» **Sat 2 September** » **FREE ENTRY**

Farmers' and Artisan Market

9am-2pm » At Market Square and The Old Library, Midhurst.

» **Sat 9 September** » **FREE ENTRY**

Outdoor cinema at Market Square, Midhurst

Bring your chair and/or blanket - sit back and enjoy!

1pm » Kids' karaoke with singer Lizzie Haynes - come join in!
2pm » Film: **SING 2** (2021) The ultimate dance-along film.
6pm » Kick-start the evening with live act **Suspiciously Elvis**.
7pm » Film: **ELVIS** (2022) by Baz Luhrmann - immerse yourself in the iconic world of the King.

» **Sat 16 September** » **FREE ENTRY**

'Fold our Town' and live music

11am-3.30pm » 'Fold our Town' at The Old Library, Midhurst. Create a wonderful origami installation inspired by Midhurst. Fold and decorate your own house, car or local landmark.

7pm onwards » Great live music from around the world in the restaurants and pubs across Midhurst.

» **Sat 23 September** » **FREE ENTRY**

Get Active Day and Vintage Fair

11am-4pm » Get active at The Grange Centre, Midhurst. BMX bike display team (every hour), slack lining, face painting, rollerblading, table tennis and more...
To book call **01730 815285**.

Organised With Everyone Active

10am-4pm » Midhurst Artisan Makers and Vintage Fair at Market Square.

» **Sat 30 September** » **FREE ENTRY**

Midhurst 5k (12+) and 2k (5+) family fun runs

10am » Runs start at The Wharf and finish at St Ann's Hill. 2 hours' free parking at The Grange - facilities and café open until 2pm. Under 12s must be accompanied.

Organised with The Midhurst Milers

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Fold our Town



Free family event

Join A-line Art for a fabulous and free creative family activity to create a giant paper town inspired by your local area. Everyone will be able to make and decorate their own origami house, boat, building, animal, person, or local landmark at the Fold Our Town events.

Midhurst

Saturday 16 September
11am - 3.30pm

The Old Library,
Knockhundred Row,
GU29 9DQ

Petworth

Sunday 17 September
11am - 3.30pm

The Battery House
Petworth House and Park
GU28 9LR

Petworth House and Park will be open
for free on 16 & 17 September



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Group Info



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FRIDAYS

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- Easebourne Wild Explorer 2022

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Rocksteady has really helped my child believe in himself and find something he is good at. It has helped to boost his confidence.

Kall

Rocksteady really has put a massive smile on their faces and this has helped with wider engagement when they are back in class.

Headteacher

My son's confidence has changed so much since being in his band. He now loves singing in front of people and even speaking to people when he used to be so shy.

Charlie

As a musician myself, I was emotional and proud to see the progress my son has made after only a short amount of time on the drums.

Melanie

They really feed off the teamwork and the kind and supportive tuition. We have found that the confidence built as musicians translates to confidence throughout the curriculum.

Headteacher

My son is autistic and has anxiety and low confidence. Rocksteady has done such a fantastic job of reassuring him and increasing his confidence.

Sarah

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