



FRIDAY FLYER

Happy Friday Everyone! I hope you all had a restful half term break. Now I am back to school, can I thank you all for your kind thoughts and wishes during my time away. Can I also take the opportunity to thank both Mrs Chance and Mr Ind who led the school so superbly in my absence.

As I am sure you all know, access to the school site at pick up and drop off times continues to be an issue. The issues are manifold. Firstly, I am concerned that we still do not have a designated crossing patrol on Bepton Road. I have had reports of a number of near misses as our children and families have crossed and cars have either failed to stop or, furthermore, not kept to the speed limit. Your safety and the safety of our children is our utmost priority. We have made representations to the council and voiced our concerns but we need to gain some more traction for our concerns to meet a resolution. At committee level, our Health and Safety governors will be taking a lead in seeking a safe solution to the current unsafe situation and to that end I would ask for your thoughts in order to make our case stronger. In the short term, I would ask you please to email your thoughts and concerns to our Health and Safety governor Andy Scott on ascott@midhurstprimary.co.uk. Andy will be representing our concerns to the council and your concerns for your child's safety would make our case extremely strong. In the meantime I would ask you and your child to be extremely careful when crossing Bepton Road but also be mindful of crossing issues when parking on the verges of Bepton Road during pick up and drop off. This can exacerbate the problem.

Unfortunately, I also have to write to express the schools, local residents and parents concerns about illegal and unsafe parking around school. This is an ongoing problem and we would like your support in addressing it. Please consider parking away from the school and walking. We know time is precious and everyone is busy but the children are also precious. It is only a matter of time before a parent in a hurry to drop off their child and get on with their day, results in a serious injury or worse.

Children are increasingly at risk where parents 'double park' blocking others which results in children getting out of cars in an unsafe area.

The approach road to school is demarcated by yellow zig zag lines. Please can we remind drivers not to use the yellow zig-zag lines at the times stated on the signs. We have asked a number of times that cars do not park here. Parking on double yellow lines is illegal. A number of our local residents have also come into school to report cars parked across, and sometimes in, their driveways at drop off and pick up time. Please also respect the driveways of our neighbours as they have been blocked in by cars. The private road running from the left of the school approach road and Bepton Road is a private road and should not be used by vehicles.

The car park is for authorised staff vehicles only. If drop off is required please email the school office on office@midhurstprimary.co.uk to organise this facility where you will be issued with a permit for drop off.

A reminder of our parent well being survey

You will have seen a number of reminders for our Parent Survey. Unfortunately, we have received very few returns from parents. A successful school can only function if we work together and your views on how we're doing are vitally important to us. Could I ask that you please take ten minutes to complete the online questionnaire by going to

<https://survey.gi-assessment.co.uk/s/RMGZB5/>

and logging on using the password provided below.

Your parent password is: **MID55101Pa**

The password is case sensitive.

By completing the questionnaire, you will be telling us how you think we should be spending our time and resources, to make our school the best that it can be for your child.

Wear Your Wellies to School Day

A reminder that this coming Monday 26th is Wear Your Wellies To School Day. This is in exchange for a £1 donation to the fantastic fund raising activity by Nathan in Pine Class, He is raising money for the RNLI by doing a 200 mile walk to mark their 200th anniversary. Nathan has already raised over £1500. What an amazing effort Nathan! We're all so very proud of you. Lets get our wellies on and give Nathan's fundraising an extra boost!

Forest School

Pine class having their forest school session indoors as it was too windy to go to the woods. They enjoyed lots of craft activities, a tea light fire, toasting marshmallows and a game of nutty squirrels.



The War of Paper.

By Noah Wheeler, Year 4 (age 9)

One day some gerbils were minding their own business when a letter came. A gerbil opened it up but got a papercut! He screamed, he wailed but fell to the floor in agony. All the other gerbils freaked out but one said, "Fellow Gerbils, we must prepare".

2 days later, the gerbils were ready to attack. Swords and armour ready. They were ready... for battle!

"Attack!", shouted a gerbil. They charged. 1000's of gerbils falling. 1000's of pieces of ripped paper blowing away. It was dreadful. It was time, the ultimate weapon.....The Shredder. They looked up at it but wait...it was unplugged!

"How did it get unplugged?", shouted a gerbil. But one gerbil had an idea, "Blow", he said.

All the other gerbils had no idea why but they did as they were told. One by one, paper began to blow away into a nearby lake. The gerbils kept blowing until dusk was dawn. There was no more paper ever again.

PTA Heart and Sole Run

Much fun was had during the PTA Heart and Sole Sponsored run and the Valentines Gonk Sale. If there is still any outstanding sponsor money to come in please bring it to the office as soon as possible.



Hazel Class need your help!

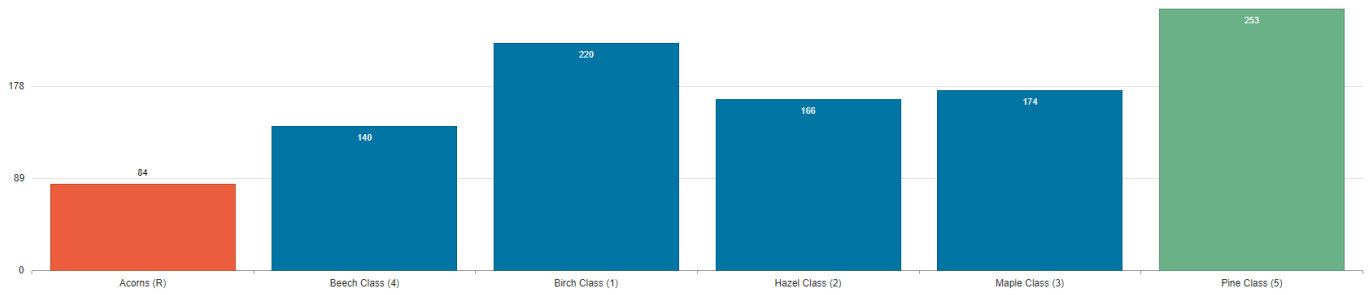
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Parents, Grandparents etc.



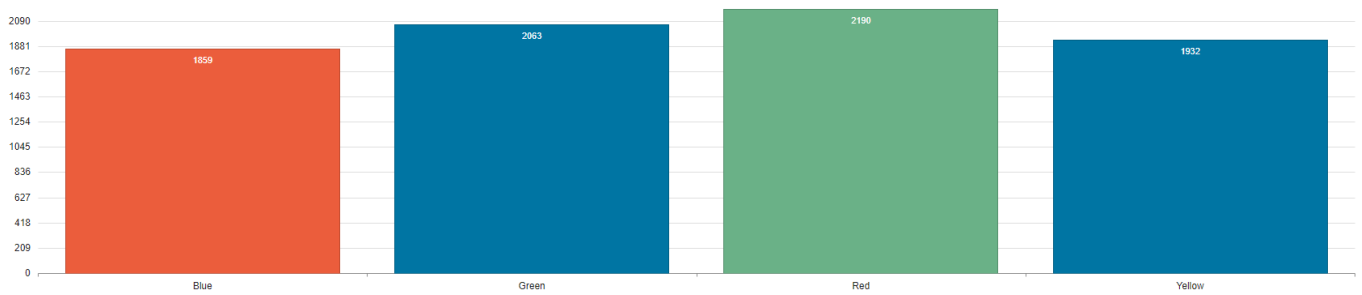
Hazel Class are working on toys through time. Could I ask you, parents and grandparents, to fill in the brief survey about the toys and games you remember growing up with. Thank you!

Reward Points

Congratulations to Pine Class for gaining the most Reward Points this week with 253 points. Well done Pine Class!

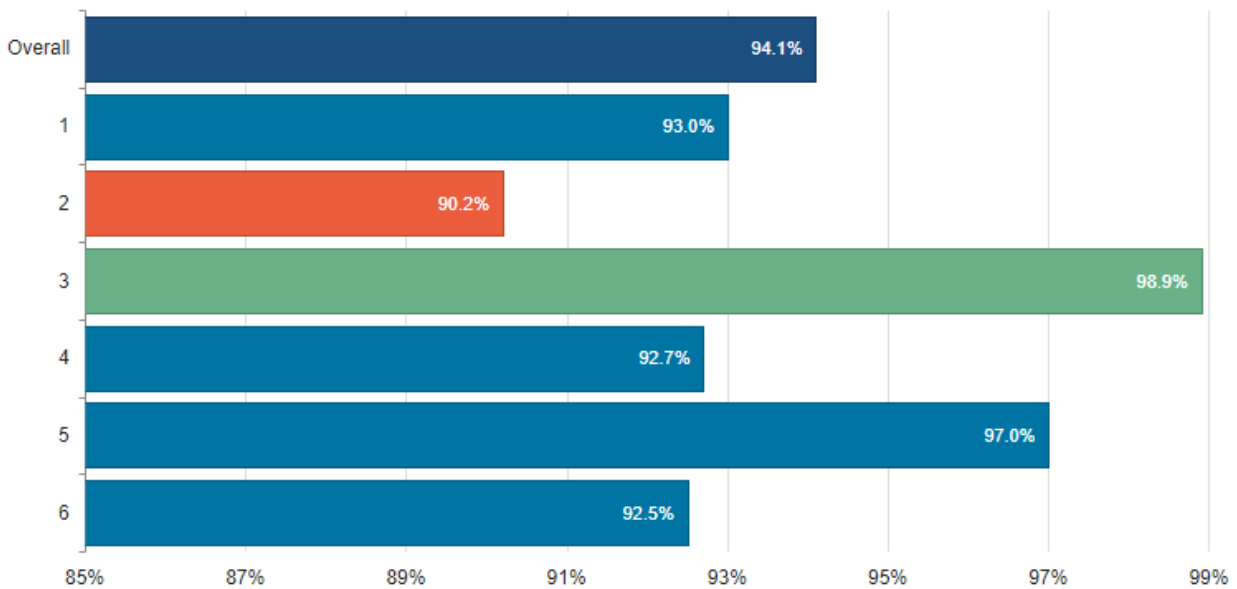


Arun House are in the lead this week with 2190 points!



Weekly Attendance

This week's overall attendance is 94.1%.



This week's attendance champion

Congratulations Maple Class, this week's attendance champions with 98.9%



Welcome to your Friday Inside Insights! coming up this week we have our SURPRISE SHORT STORY!! Plus, many interesting articles so read on to discover!

- Barni O

Heart and Sole run

ALL of the children In Midhurst Primary school took part in the heart and Sole run, and all tried our very best! All together, we managed to raise over one hundred pounds just by running which is truly amazing for a bunch of children! We got very tired but not one of us said "I give up", we all kept going until our hearts were pounding. Each and every one of us enjoyed ourselves very much and would definitely choose to do it again. Shout out to Libby and Sylvester in year 6 for leading each class in the Heart and Sole run, well done you two! We have also raised nearly one hundred pounds by selling Gonks! (well, as soon as everyone has paid!)

Brighter School, Brighter Learning!

Have you noticed the school has brighter lights? Well, the staff decided to get a electrician to replace all the lights in school. They hope that it'll make it easier for everyone to see their work.

Story Time!

The team has had lots of additional articles and stories submitted, which is wonderful. Thank you everyone who has shown interest, we really appreciate your support. This week we had a short story submitted and that has inspired us to run our own competition. Send us your stories (500 words limit) and we will submit the best. We will then judge the best one at the end of each half term and there will be a prize. Good luck



Beau from Oak raises £50!

Beau from Year Six (Oak class) attends Guides on Wednesday every week. They were challenged to raise money for a children's hospice—the Chestnut Treehouse. She is selling chopping boards, and has sold 5 (£10 each) for £50 so far. Lets hope this kind donation will help the children at the Chestnut Treehouse.

Ping Pong!

Who else loves ping pong? If you're like me and would like to play some, you're in luck! The school has put in a ping pong table on the field where the sheds used to be, as well as some new fences. Now you can play it at school! (Very Soon)

Where's Lenny? Try to guess where he is!



Joke Time!!!! 😊

Who is the king of the pencil case?

A Ruler!

Diary Dates

Date	Event/Activity	Details
Monday 26 th Feb	Wear your Wellies/Boots to school day Year 1 & 3 PE today Dance Club Gardening Club	In exchange for a £1 donation towards Nathan's RNLI fundraising Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 - 4.30pm 3.30 - 4.30pm
Tuesday 27 th Feb	Years 2, 4, 5 & 6 PE today Aspire Football Club	Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 - 4.30pm
Wednesday 28 th Feb	Year 1 & 2 PE today Cross Country @ Conifers Choir Club KS2 Netball Club (Y4 upwards)	Don't forget your PE kit More info to follow 3.30 - 4.15pm 3.30 - 4.30pm
Thursday 29 th Feb	Years 3 & 6 PE today Swimming Little woods forest schools Big woods forest schools Cross Country @ Conifers Coding Club Dance Club	Don't forget your PE kit Year 3 am Year R Group 1 (please wear kit and bring uniform) Year 5 Group 2 (please bring kit in) More info to follow 3.30 - 4.30pm 3.30 - 4.30pm
Friday 1 st Mar	Year 5 PE today Big woods forest schools Cross Country Club	Don't forget your PE kit Year 3 Group 2 (please wear kit and bring uniform) 3.30 -4pm
Monday 4 th Mar	Year 1 & 3 PE today Big woods forest schools (for this week only) Dance Club Gardening Club	Don't forget your PE kit Year 5 Group 2 (please bring kit in) 3.30 - 4.30pm 3.30 - 4.30pm
Tuesday 5 th Mar	Years 2, 4, 5 & 6 PE today Aspire Football Club	Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 - 4.30pm
Wednesday 6 th Mar	Year 1 & 2 PE today Choir Club KS2 Netball Club (Y4 upwards)	Don't forget your PE kit 3.30 - 4.15pm 3.30 - 4.30pm
Thursday 7 th Mar	World Book Day Years 3 & 6 PE today Swimming Little woods forest schools Coding Club Dance Club	More information to follow Don't forget your PE kit Year 3 am Year R Group 1 (please wear kit and bring uniform) 3.30 - 4.30pm 3.30 - 4.30pm
Friday 8 th Mar	Year 5 PE today Big woods forest schools Cross Country Club	Don't forget your PE kit Year 3 Group 2 (please wear kit and bring uniform) 3.30 - 4pm



FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

• **WEAR YOUR WELLIES/BOOTS TO SCHOOL DAY!** •
in exchange for a £1 donation towards Nathan's fundraising for the RNLI

• **Monday 26th February 2024** •

• **ALSO TAKE PART IN:** •
The Lifeboat Station guessing game - £1 a go – see Nathan/Y5 at Break/Lunch
WIN a £25 Fish & Chip Voucher!

SUPPORTING:

Nathan's 200 mile walk for the RNLI



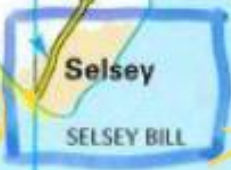
December 2023 - March 2024



www.justgiving.com/page/nathans-200-miles-rnli



Lifeboats



MPS PTA CAKE RAFFLE



Dates for future
cake raffle's



Friday -

23rd of February

8th of March

22nd of March



Tickets will be on sale every
Wednesday and Thursday,
the week of each Raffle.



MPS PTA

world book day event!

Golden ticket



Golden ticket

Oompa Loompa doompa-dee-do
We've got some exciting news
for you.....

We have hidden some golden tickets in our
Wonka MPS choccy bars.

Golden ticket

Can you find them?
Lots of Prizes to be won!



Choccy bars will be on sale Thursday the 7th
of March. £2 per bar.

Good Luck!

Golden ticket



***Allergy friendly alternatives will be available**



Figure Dance

Midhurst primary
School Dance Clubs



Day	Mondays
Class	Street Dance
Times	3:30-4:30
Years	All
Start Date	26 th Feb
Finish Date	25 th Mar
Price per child	£8.25
Price for this term (5 weeks)	£41.25
Maximum of Participants	20

- No child can participate without pre booking and paying for a slot.
- All children should wear appropriate gym clothing, (not their uniform) with trainers or bare feet.
- Classes will be held on school premises where children will need to be collected.
- We advise children to bring water to have during the class.
- We must be made aware of any health conditions or injuries of any children who take part in our classes. (Via Email - Figure23dance@gmail.com)
- F.23 coaches are enhanced DBS checked, first aid trained and carry liability insurance .

Booking and payment

Enter the Link into your user browser for the online booking system, where you will find the name of your required class and payment details.

https://www.calengoo.com/booking/figure_23_dance/
Class required

You will need to click on the 26th Feb,
fill in the details and click book, you will only need to do this for the first date of this term.

Please use the payment details to make the bank transfer of
£41.25 in order to secure your place.

If you have any problems with the booking link please email-
Figure23dance@gmail.com

No refunds are given unless class has to be cancelled by F.23 Dance

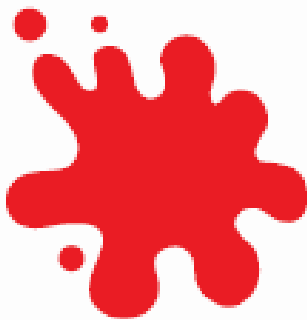


Come and join us in Midhurst Parish Church on Sunday 25th February as we explore the meaning of Lent in a special church service designed for primary school age children.

**We will explore our bible story with art and crafts, and share a meal together afterwards.
Arrival from 2.45pm for a 3pm service start.**

This is a FREE event but booking via the QR Code below is essential for registration and catering.

**Book via the "Whats on" page on our website :
<https://midhurstparishchurch.net/news/>
or call: 01730 815356**





 **MIDHURST MILERS**

3K JUNIOR TRAIL RACE



6-8 YEARS

9-11 YEARS

12-15 YEARS

9:30 Sunday 5th May 2024

Cadence Cycle Club, Flint Barn, Cocking GU29 0HT

A 3km Trail Race on The South Downs near Midhurst. Categories and prizes for 6-8, 9-11 and 12-15 age groups. £4 online entry only.

**NEW
FOR
2024**

SCHOOL TEAM RACE



Mixed teams of six pupils • Primary and Secondary school categories
£24 per team • For details please email Sarah Jenkins sarah330@hotmail.com

ONLY £4 • ENTER ONLINE AT www.midhurstmilers.org



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LET'S DO THIS! RATED 4.9/5.0

 **MIDHURST MILERS**

COCKING 10K TRAIL RACE

A 10k Trail Race on The South Downs near Midhurst. A technical uphill trail at the start, some glorious views and a flying downhill to the finish!

10:00 Sunday 5th May 2024

Cadence Cycle Club, Flint Barn, Cocking GU29 0HT

**Chip timing • Finisher's medal • Prizes for leading runners • Parking
Refreshments at Cadence Cycle Club • Enter early, limited to 350 runners**

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LET'S DO THIS! RATED 4.9/5.0

**One of the highest rated trail races
on Let's Do This! in 2022 and 2023!**

£15/£17 • ENTER ONLINE AT www.midhurstmilers.org



EVERYONE IS WELCOME

THE GRANGE COMMUNITY & LEISURE CENTRE

FREE FAMILY FUN DAY

SATURDAY 2ND MARCH 2024

★ **10** Celebrating 10 years of The Grange ★ **10**

Join us for a day celebrating 10 years since the brand-new Grange was opened in 2014, replacing the old centre

Bookable activities include:

- Active Antz Soft Play
- Leaping Hart Archery
- Roller Blading
- Pickleball
- Table Tennis
- Badminton/Short Tennis
- Stalls and Performance from Local Club/Group
- Face Painter
- Plus, Group Exercise Classes and Gym Challenges

NO JOINING FEE
T&C's Apply





MORE INFO & BOOKING: www.everyoneactive.com/TheGrangeFamilyFunDay/


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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



8-9 APRIL
BOGNOR REGIS - RAP & LYRIC WRITING

8-9 APRIL
WORTHING - ROCK & POP BAND

10-11 APRIL
LITTLEHAMPTON - RAP & LYRIC WRITING

10-11 APRIL
CRAWLEY - ROCK & POP BAND

AGES 8 - 16YRS

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CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

Chorister Open Day

SATURDAY
9TH MARCH
2024



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Be a Chorister for the day!



The experience of being a Chorister is exciting and fun, and develops valuable skills that will last a lifetime. Choristers spend about 18 hours each week rehearsing and singing services, as well as studying two instruments and following a full school curriculum of academic work, sport and drama. They make recordings, feature on broadcasts, and give concert performances at home and abroad.

Choristers receive an excellent academic education at the Prebendal School, a co-ed, independent prep school immediately adjacent to the

Cathedral. Following an inspection, the School has recently received the highest possible grading.

The musical and academic experience we offer is a springboard for future success. Many choristers go on to win scholarships at prestigious secondary schools, where their choral training, discipline and team skills are highly valued.

Scholarships are awarded to all Choristers, and with additional funding according to need. We want to recruit promising young musicians regardless of financial circumstances.

WHO IS THIS EVENT FOR?

This event is suitable for girls and boys in Years 2, 3 and 4, as well as their parent/guardians. We do not expect candidates to have any musical experience when they join the choir. We look for energy, enthusiasm and good reading skills.

BOOKING

The event will take place on Saturday 9th March 2024 from 1.30 - 4.30pm. To book your space, or ask further questions, please contact:

T: 01243 812 488 | E: thomas.roberts@chichestercathedral.org.uk

Wellbeing Month



Connect Give Keep Learning Be Active Take Notice

Storytime

We would love for you to join us to share some uplifting stories for Wellbeing Month.

For children aged 4-7

Chichester Library

Saturday 9 March 2.15-2.45pm

Chichester.library@westsussex.gov.uk; 01243 777351



Wellbeing Month



Connect Give Keep Learning Be Active Take Notice

Reminiscence Taster Session

We would love for you to join us in a friendly group, sharing memories, having fun and meeting new people.

Midhurst Library

Tuesday 19 March 11.00am-12.00pm

midhurst.library@westsussex.gov.uk ; 01730 716671



Wellbeing Month



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Reminiscence Taster Session

We would love for you to join us in a friendly group, sharing memories, having fun and meeting new people.

Chichester Library

Thursday 14 March 2.00-3.00pm

Chichester.r.library@westsussex.gov.uk; 01243 777351



Wellbeing Month



Connect Give Keep Learning Be Active Take Notice

SEND friendly activity session

Featuring popular SEND entertainer Chris North from Freedom Through Fun who will share lots of fun activities including, magic, circus skills and more!

Chichester Library

Saturday 16 March 10.30 - 11.30am

chichester.library@westsussex.gov.uk 01243 777351

