



FRIDAY FLYER

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a vibrant and uplifting week it has been at our school, filled with energy, achievement, and a wonderful sense of togetherness across our community. As we head into the weekend, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on some of the highlights and to share our pride in the remarkable things our pupils have accomplished.

First and foremost, I'd like to offer my heartfelt congratulations to all our runners for their fantastic efforts over the past few weeks. From tackling Sunset Hill with Easebourne, to taking part in the Corporate Challenge Heat 2, and giving their all at the MRC Cross Country event, our team has shown real determination, resilience and school spirit. A special mention goes to Lily, Darcy, Baxter, Finlay, Nyla and Harry, who have been selected to represent Central Sussex at the County Finals — an incredible achievement and one we are all immensely proud of. You can read more about their brilliant success in the detailed article further down the flyer. Well done, everyone — you continue to make us proud with your hard work and enthusiasm.

Looking ahead, we want to extend our warmest wishes to Oak Class, who will be setting off on their much-anticipated week-long residential trip to the Isle of Wight on Monday. This is such an exciting milestone in the school year, and one that the children have been looking forward to with great enthusiasm. Throughout the week they will have the chance to explore new environments, take part in outdoor activities, learn new skills, challenge themselves, and—perhaps most importantly—create memories that will last a lifetime. A residential is a wonderful opportunity for pupils to grow in independence, confidence, and teamwork, and we know they will make the very most of every moment. We hope they have a fantastic time, filled with adventure, laughter, and new experiences. We can't wait to hear all their stories when they return.

As always, thank you to our families for your ongoing support, encouragement, and involvement in school life. It is your partnership that helps make weeks like this so special and gives our pupils the confidence to shine in so many different ways.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend ahead.

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AN INCREDIBLE FORTNIGHT FOR OUR CROSS-COUNTRY SQUAD!



What an amazing couple of weeks it has been for our cross-country squad! Two weeks ago, our fantastic team of 40 runners travelled to the MRC Sports Partnership Cross Country Event, and every single one of them raced brilliantly. Their determination, team spirit, and effort helped us secure a brilliant 3rd place overall—a huge achievement against very strong competition.

We were also incredibly proud to have four children selected to represent Central Sussex at the Sussex Finals, with two more chosen as first reserves. Well done Lily Stevens, Darcy White, Baxter Phillips, Finlay Alden and to Nyla Berry and Harry Clark. This is a tremendous accomplishment and a testament to the hard work and commitment shown by our runners.

This week has been even busier, with two races in just 14 hours!

On Wednesday evening, some of our Year 5 and 6 runners took part in the second race of the Inter-School Chichester Cross Country Series. This exciting three-race series attracts many of the best young runners in Sussex, and our team rose to the challenge superbly. Almost every runner improved their time from the first race—some by over a minute!

The standout performance of the evening came from Baxter who finished an outstanding 4th place in the Year 5 boys' race. We were also delighted to have a staff team racing, and all adults managed to improve their times too!

Then, bright and early on Thursday morning, our runners were back in action for the second event in our series with Easebourne: The Sunset Hill Challenge. This is a tough and demanding course, but our team tackled it with enthusiasm, resilience, and maximum effort. Their positive attitudes shone through, and every runner gave their absolute best.

Across all these events, we have been so proud of the way our children conduct themselves. They consistently embody our school values—showing kindness, determination, respect, and outstanding sportsmanship. Whether racing, cheering others on, or supporting their teammates, they are a credit to our school. You are an inspiring group of young athletes, and you all deserve a huge well done. We can't wait to see what you achieve next!



A HEARTFELT THANK YOU FOR OUR NEW SCHOOL BIBLES

This week, we were delighted to welcome members of the Midhurst Mothers' Union and our school chaplain, Rev. Marcus, who also serves as the vicar at Midhurst Parish Church, into our whole-school assembly. They joined us for the presentation of brand-new bibles to every child in Years 5 and 6.

We are incredibly grateful for this generous gift. The Mothers' Union and Rev. Marcus have shown such warmth and support toward our school community, and their kindness will have a lasting impact on our pupils.



Why These Bibles Matter

The children in Years 5 and 6 will be using their new bibles during their Religious Education (RE) lessons, where they will explore key biblical stories, themes, and teachings. Having their own personal copy allows them to:

- Develop confidence in navigating the text independently
- Gain a deeper and more personal understanding of Christian beliefs and traditions
- Engage meaningfully with discussions and activities in RE
- Build a sense of ownership and responsibility for their learning

A bible is more than just a book—it's a resource that supports reflection, curiosity, and respect for faith traditions that shape many communities, including our own here in Midhurst.

During the assembly, Rev. Marcus spoke to the children about the significance of the bible and how it can inspire them as they learn and grow. Members of the Mothers' Union joined him in presenting each child with their own beautifully bound copy.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Rev. Marcus and the Midhurst Mothers' Union for their continued partnership with our school and for helping enrich the spiritual and educational journey of our children.

WORLD BOOK DAY



We had a busy and enjoyable World Book Day this year, with activities taking place across the school and plenty of opportunities for pupils to engage with reading in different ways.

Costumes and Character Celebrations

Pupils and staff came dressed as a wide range of book characters, bringing plenty of colour and creativity to the day. Classes spent time discussing their chosen books and sharing recommendations with one another.

Travelling Theatre Performance: The Secret Garden

A visiting theatre company delivered a performance of *The Secret Garden*, which was well-received by all year groups. The production prompted useful follow-up discussions in classrooms about the story, characters, and themes, and encouraged many pupils to look for the book afterwards.

PTA Second-Hand Book Sale

The PTA held a second-hand book sale during the day, offering pupils the chance to pick up affordable reads. The event was well supported and helped raise funds for future literacy-related activities.

Additional Activities

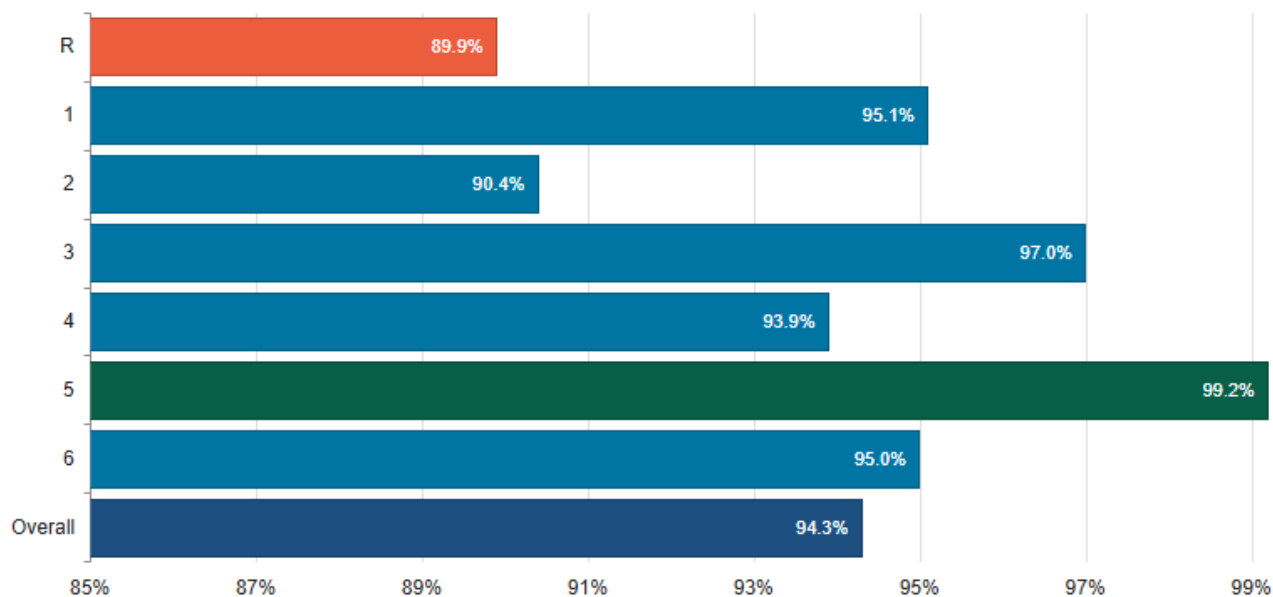
Throughout the day, pupils took part in a variety of reading-focused sessions, including buddy reading, creative writing tasks, book-themed crafts, and a short costume parade. Teachers also set aside time for independent reading to ensure everyone had the chance to enjoy a book of their choice.

Summary

Overall, the day provided a good mix of reading, discussion, and creative activities. Thank you to the staff, PTA, visiting theatre group, and families for helping to make the event run smoothly.



ATTENDANCE



Our attendance this week was 94.3% slightly below our target of 95%.

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS!

A huge congratulations to Pine Class, our attendance champions this week with 99.2% attendance!

DIARY DATES

Date	Event/Activity	Details
Monday 16 th March	Oak class Residential week at PGL Pine class – PE today Netball Club – year 5 only	Please come in kit 3.30-4.30pm
Tuesday 17 th March	Acorn, Birch & Hazel class – PE today CM Sports football club	Please come in kit 3.30-4.30pm
Wednesday 18 th March	Maple, Beech & Pine – PE today	Please come in kit
Thursday 19 th March	Maple & Beech class – PE today Phonics meeting for Birch class PTA meeting	Please come in kit 3.30 – 3.50pm 3.30pm
Friday 20 th March	Acorns & Birch Class Forest School Hazel Class Grp 2 Little woods – Acorns Grp 1 Netball at MRC Cross Country club	Please come in kit Please bring kit More details to follow 3.30 - 4.15pm
Monday 23 rd March	Oak & Pine class – PE today Netball Club – year 5 only	Please come in kit 3.30-4.30pm
Tuesday 24 th March	Acorn, Birch & Hazel class – PE today Forest School – Vicar’s award Phonics meeting for Birch class Residential meeting for Beech class CM Sports football club	Please come in kit By invite only 2.30 – 2.50pm 3.30pm 3.30-4.30pm
Wednesday 25 th March	Maple, Beech, Pine & Oak – PE today Hazel class to Seacity Southampton	Please come in kit See separate letter
Thursday 26 th March	Maple & Beech class – PE today	Please come in kit
Friday 27 th March	Acorns & Birch Class Forest School Hazel Class Grp 2 Little woods – Acorns Grp 1	Please come in kit Please bring kit Please come in kit
EASTER HOLIDAYS		
Monday 13 th April	INSET day	School Closed
Tuesday 14 th April	Back to School Acorns, Birch & Hazel class – PE today Forest School – Hazel Class Grp 2 (last one)	Summer Term begins Please come in kit Please bring kit
Wednesday 15 th April	Maple, Beech, Pine & Oak – PE today Maple class to MRC for All sing	Please come in kit am
Thursday 16 th April	Maple & Beech class – PE today Oak class – Citizen Safety event Forest School – Maple class Grp 1 Friendship tea	Please come in kit pm please bring kit Some year 5s involved
Friday 17 th April	Acorns & Birch Class Forest School Pine Class Grp 1 Little woods – Acorns Grp 2	Please come in kit Please bring kit Please come in kit



Midhurst Town Council

EASTER BUNNY TRAIL

**SATURDAY 28TH MARCH 2026 TO
SATURDAY 4TH APRIL 2026**

Prize collection dates - 10am to 2pm on:

Monday 30th March 2026

Thursday 2nd April 2026

Saturday 4th April 2026

From The Old Library, Midhurst

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www.midhurst-tc.gov.uk**



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This Saturday the Meraki Market Returns.



Mothers Day This Sunday - Don't Forget!!



Round 5 This Weekend

Things to enjoy in town this week:

... On Wednesday 11th March...

🍖 Steak & wine night from 5pm @ The Greyhound

🎴 Poker Night @ Midhurst Club

... On Thursday 12th March...

🎵 Joe Dunsford Plays @ Faustinos 8pm

... On Friday 13th March...

🐟 Fish and Chip Friday £7.99 @ The Grange

🎵 Rylee Spooner Plays @ The Wheatsheaf

... On Saturday 14th March...

📖 Meraki Market 9:30 - 16:30 @ Memorial Hall

🏃 Guided run @ Cowdray 10am-11am

🌸 Spring Retreat Day @ Cowdray 10am-5pm

🎲 Bonkers Bingo Bottomless Brunch @ Faustinos 12-3pm

🏈 6 Nations Ire vs Sco 2pm

🏈 6 Nations Wal vs Ita 4:40pm

🏈 6 Nations Fra vs Eng 8pm

🎵 Free Duke Box all Night @ The Wheatsheaf

🎤 Karaoke night @ The Bricks

... On Sunday 15th March... Mothers Day

👩‍🍳 Gua Sha Masterclass @ Cowdray

🏊 Free Pool all day Sundays @ The Wheatsheaf

🍽 Sunday Roast 12:30 - 3 @ The Royal Oak

🍽 Sunday Roast 12 - 4:30 @ The Swan

🍽 Sunday Roast 12 - 8pm @ The Bricks

🍽 Sunday Roast 12 - 5pm @ The Greyhound

🎪 Professional Wrestling @ The Grange 2:30-5pm

... On Monday 16th March...

🎴 Red Tooth Poker Night @ The Bricks

... On Tuesday 17th March...

👂 Multisensory Hearing (U3A) Methodist Hall 2pm

⚽ The Staggs vs Guernsey Home Game 7:45pm @ FC

🎲 Pub Quiz @ The Greyhound 8pm

... On Wednesday 18th March...

🌿 Wellbeing Walk @ Duncton 9:15 and 11:15

🍖 Steak & wine night from 5pm @ The Greyhound

🎴 Poker Night @ Midhurst Club

Coming up Soon...



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for a full list of upcoming events in and around the Town incl. The Pubs, The Grange, Steadham, Weald & Downland, Cowdray, Goodwood, The Leconfield, Local Clubs & Societies, National trust & Others

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Guildford 70

Petersfield 91/92/95

Worthing 1

Chichester 60

Northchappel 422

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Lodsworth Y2

Trotton Y5

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9am to 2pm

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Unusual Animals

Are you passionate about pangolins, infatuated with iguanas or an axolotl admirer? Scuttle to the library for stories of weird and wonderful creatures, plus a fun craft activity!



Wednesday 1 April

10:00 - 11:00am

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

Booking essential - please speak with staff to reserve a place. Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity.



Midhurst Library
The Grange, Bepton Road, GU29 9HD
01703 716671
midhurst.library@westsussex.gov.uk

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Thursday 2 April

10:00 - 11.00am

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

Booking essential - please speak with staff to reserve a place. Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity.



Chichester Library
Tower Street, PO19 1QJ
01243 777351
chichester.library@westsussex.gov.uk

Unusual Animals

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Wednesday 1 April

2:00 - 3.00pm

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

Booking essential - please speak with staff to reserve a place. Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity.



Petworth Library
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01798 342274
petworth.library@westsussex.gov.uk



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Easter Holiday Mindfulness Pony Day for Kids!

Dates: Thursday 2nd April and Friday 10th April

Time: 9.30am - 2pm

Location: Hill Crest Farm, Horsham

Join us for a magical day of ponies, riding, art, friendship, and mindfulness!

What to Expect:

- ♥ Mindfulness Time with Ponies
- 🐾 Pony Care
- 🎲 Riding and Mounted Games
- 🎨 Connect with Arts and Nature
- 👥 Make New Friends

Click the links or scan the QR code to book the day of your choice:

[Thursday 2nd April- Mindfulness Pony Day- Book Now!](#)

[Friday 10th April- Mindfulness Pony Day- Book Now!](#)



Cost: £140 per child

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Spaces limited to 10 children per day

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10th May 2026

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