



FRIDAY FLYER

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a truly uplifting week in school, filled with memorable experiences and wonderful achievements that we are delighted to share with you.

Our Year 4 pupils returned from their mini residential at Marchant's Hill full of stories, smiles and new-found confidence. From teamwork and resilience to having lots of fun along the way, it was a fantastic experience for all involved. Photos and a full editorial will follow in next week's flyer, so do keep an eye out.

We were also incredibly proud to see our pupils take part in the Mini London Marathon yesterday. Their determination, enthusiasm and sportsmanship were a credit to the school, and it was inspiring to watch them rise to the challenge.

A special mention goes to Cameron in Year 4, who has been raising money for the Little Princess Trust. We are immensely proud of Cameron's kindness and commitment to helping others. Please look further down this flyer for details on how you can donate and support Cameron in his fantastic quest.

As we approach SATs week, we encourage parents to read further down the flyer for some useful tips and hints on how best to support your child both in the lead-up to, and during, the week itself.

Finally, a reminder that school will be closed on Monday for the Bank Holiday, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday.

I wish you all a restful and enjoyable Bank Holiday weekend.

With every best wish

Mark

HOW PARENTS AND CARERS CAN SUPPORT CHILDREN AHEAD OF SATS WEEK With SATs week now just over a week away, many parents and carers may be wondering how best to support their child during what can feel like a high-pressure time. While SATs are an important milestone, the most valuable support often comes not from extra revision, but from helping children feel calm, confident and cared for.

Keep Perspective and Stay Positive

One of the most helpful things adults can do is to keep SATs in perspective. Children often take emotional cues from the adults around them, so calm, reassuring messages make a real difference. Remind your child that SATs are just a snapshot of what they know at this moment — not a judgement of who they are or what they might achieve in the future.

Avoid phrases that unintentionally add pressure, such as "This is really important for your future." Instead, emphasise effort over outcomes: "Just try your best," or "Your teachers already know how hard you've worked."

Maintain Routines and Normality

As SATs week approaches, sticking to familiar routines can be very comforting. Regular bedtimes, mealtimes and after-school activities help children feel secure and balanced. A well-rested child will always cope better than one who has been staying up late to revise.

In the days leading up to SATs, short bursts of light revision can be helpful, but avoid cramming. By this stage, learning is more about confidence than content. Once SATs week begins, it is usually best to step back from revision altogether and let children focus on arriving at school feeling fresh and ready.

Support Emotional Wellbeing

Children may not always express anxiety directly. Physical symptoms such as headaches, tummy aches or irritability can be signs of worry. Create opportunities for gentle conversation — perhaps during a walk or quiet moment — and listen without rushing to fix things.

Reassure them that it's normal to feel a bit nervous and that their teachers will be there to support them each day. Simple breathing techniques or moments of mindfulness can help children who feel overwhelmed.

Encourage Healthy Habits

During SATs week, small habits can make a big difference. Ensure your child eats a healthy breakfast with some slow-release energy, such as porridge, wholegrain toast or eggs. Staying hydrated and having balanced meals helps concentration and mood. Our Year 6 children can come into school for breakfast from 8.30am during SATs week.

Light exercise or outdoor play after school can help relieve tension, while screens should ideally be limited before bedtime to support good sleep.

Be Practically Prepared

Reducing last-minute stress helps children start each day calmly. Lay out school uniform the night before, ensure bags are packed and any required items are ready. A predictable morning routine allows children to focus on the day ahead rather than worrying about forgotten items.

During SATs Week: Focus on Reassurance

Once SATs week is underway, avoid discussing how each paper went in detail. Questions like “Was it hard?” or “Did you finish?” can increase anxiety. Instead, focus on how proud you are of their effort and resilience. Celebrate each day completed rather than worrying about the next one. A calm evening, favourite meal or enjoyable family activity can help children switch off and reset.

After SATs: Acknowledge and Celebrate

When SATs are over, acknowledge your child's hard work. This doesn't need to be extravagant — a family treat, trip to the park or special activity is often enough to mark the achievement.

Most importantly, remind them that life at school continues just as before, with plenty of exciting learning still to come.

SUPPORT CAMERON'S HAIR DONATION FOR THE LITTLE PRINCESS TRUST Cameron, in Beech Class, has been growing his hair for nearly four years and has now made the incredibly kind decision to donate it to The Little Princess Trust. Cameron will be having his hair cut and donated so it can be made into a real-hair wig for a child or young person who has lost their hair due to cancer treatment or conditions such as Alopecia.

In addition to donating his hair, Cameron hopes to raise £800 to help cover the cost of turning his hair into a wig. The Little Princess Trust provides these wigs free of charge to children and young people and is also one of the UK's largest funders of childhood cancer research. The charity relies entirely on the generosity of supporters to continue giving *Hair and Hope* to families who need it most.



If you are able to support Cameron, any donation—big or small—would be hugely appreciated.

👉 Donate via Cameron's JustGiving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/cameron-cronk>

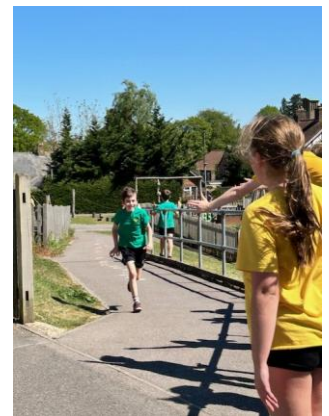
Thank you for helping Cameron make a real difference.

MINI LONDON MARATHON MAGIC!

We are incredibly proud of all the children who took part in our Mini London Marathon in school yesterday. Every pupil showed fantastic determination, enthusiasm and sportsmanship, giving their best effort and cheering one another on throughout the event.

It was wonderful to see such positivity, teamwork and smiles on display as the children embraced the challenge. By taking part, they not only kept active and healthy but also helped to raise much-needed funds for our wonderful PTA, whose continued support makes such a positive difference to school life for everyone.

A huge well done to every child who participated, and thank you to the staff, volunteers and families who supported the event. You should all be very proud — we certainly are!



CLEANER NEEDED We're looking for a cleaner to join our dedicated premises team who keep the school clean and safe for the pupils and staff. The post is all year round, 3.5 hours a day in term time and flexible hours in the holidays, and you will be working in the lower school, staff admin areas and quad building.

If you think this might be the job for you, or if you know anybody who might be interested, please pop into the office and collect a pack with all the details or look on the West Sussex school jobs website under Midhurst.

BREAKFAST CLUB SUPERVISOR NEEDED We're looking for somebody to help run our breakfast club while the permanent post-holder is unavailable. You will need to be in school from 7.50-8.50am during term time to help set up the tables and chairs, provide breakfast and play opportunities for up to 28 pupils, then clear away again for the beginning of school. The post is for five hours a week, paid at £12.85 per hour, and will start as soon as possible in the summer term. If you are interested, please collect full details and an application form from the office.

NEW FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP – ALL PARENTS WELCOME We are pleased to introduce our new Family Support Group, designed to offer a welcoming space for parents and carers to ask questions, share experiences, and access support.

The group will run fortnightly, starting on Tuesday 5th May, from 1.30pm to 3.00pm, and is open to all parents. Sessions will be hosted by Kirstan Mullen, Family Liaison, and Stacey McGuinness, Family Support Worker, who will be available to listen, offer advice, and help connect families with other agencies or services where needed.

Parents are warmly invited to drop in for a cuppa and a chat in a relaxed, informal setting. Whether you have a specific concern or simply want to talk things through, this group is here to support you.

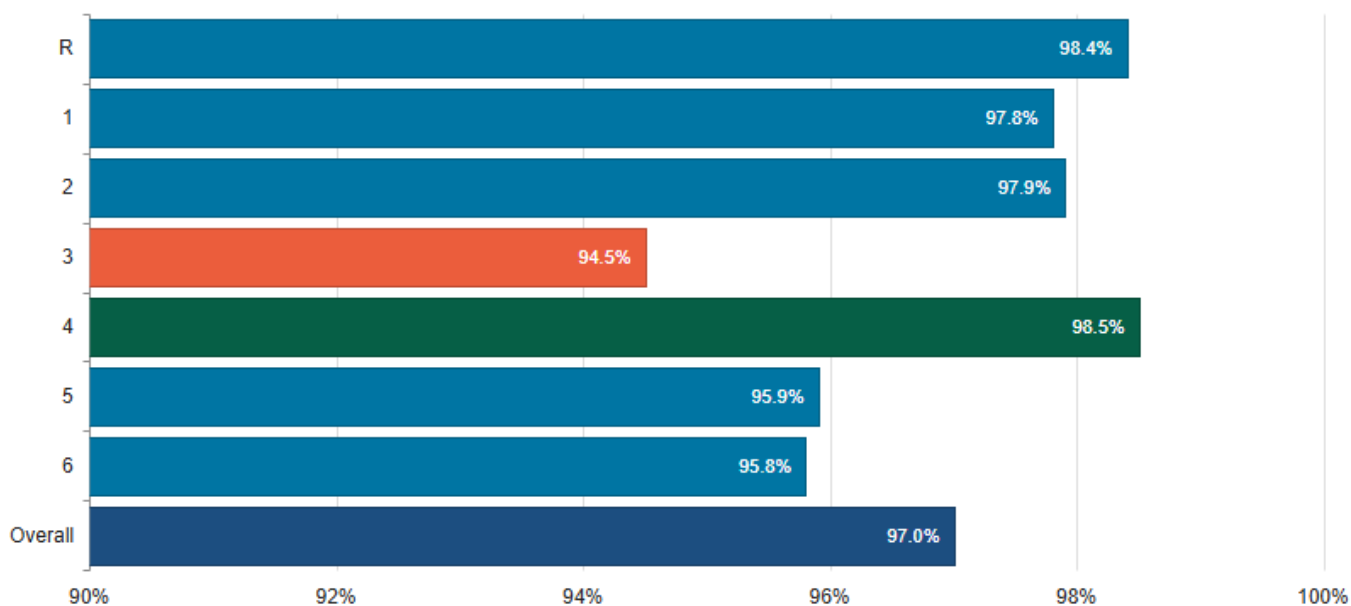
The service is completely free. Please come to the school office to sign in, and we will meet in the Quad building.

We look forward to welcoming you — everyone is invited.

CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

On Tuesday next, 6th May, formal class photographs will be taken. We have asked that all children come to school in best, smart school uniform. We do understand that KS1 children have PE on this day so we would ask that children bring their PE Kit to school to change into after the photographs have been taken. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE



Our overall attendance this week is 97%%, 2% above our target of 95%!

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS! Congratulations to Beech Class, our attendance champions this week with 95.8% attendance.

DIARY DATES

| Date | Event/Activity | Details |
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| Monday 4 th May | Bank Holiday | School Closed |
| Tuesday 5 th May | Acorn, Birch & Hazel class – PE today Class School Photo Forest School – mixed group from KS2 CM Sports football club | Please come in kit Please send your child in smart uniform and bring PE kit By invite only 3.30-4.30pm |
| Wednesday 6 th May | Maple, Beech, Pine & Oak – PE today Book Fair | Please come in kit 3.30-4pm - In the school hall |
| Thursday 7 th May | Maple & Beech class – PE today Forest School – Maple class Grp 1 | Please come in kit Please bring kit |
| Friday 8 th May | Acorns, Birch & Hazel Class Forest School - Pine Class Grp 1 Little woods – Acorns Grp 3 Cross Country Cricket Club for Pine & Oak | Please come in kit Please bring kit Please come in kit 3.30 – 4.15pm 3.30 - 4.30pm |
| Monday 11 th May | SATs for Oak Class Oak & Pine class – PE today | Please come in kit |
| Tuesday 12 th May | SATs for Oak Class Acorns, Birch & Hazel class – PE today Forest School - Mixed group from KS2 | Please come in kit By invite only |
| Wednesday 13 th May | SATs for Oak Class Maple, Beech, Pine & Oak – PE today | Please come in kit |
| Thursday 14 th May | SATs for Oak Class Maple & Beech class – PE today Forest School – Maple class Grp 1 | Please come in kit please bring kit |
| Friday 15 th May | Acorns, Birch & Hazel Class Oak class to park for picnic lunch Forest School Pine Class Grp 1 Little woods – Acorns Grp 3 Ice cream van at school for Oak class from 2.30pm and the rest of the school from 3.30pm Cross country club Cricket Club for Pine & Oak | Please come in kit Please bring packed lunch Please bring kit Please come in kit 3.30 - 4.15pm 3.30 - 4.30pm |



FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP



Tuesday 5th May is the first of our bi-weekly parent's support group. This is open to all and will be hosted by Kirstan Mullen, Family Liaison and Stacey McGuinness, Family Support Worker.

Please feel free to drop by, have a cuppa and talk/ask any questions you might have. We will be able to offer support, advice and access to agencies that may be able to help in in any way you need.

The service is free, just come into the school office, sign in and we'll meet in the Quad building.

Tuesday 5th May, 1.30pm - 3pm.
ALL WELCOME



Pop up in the Playground



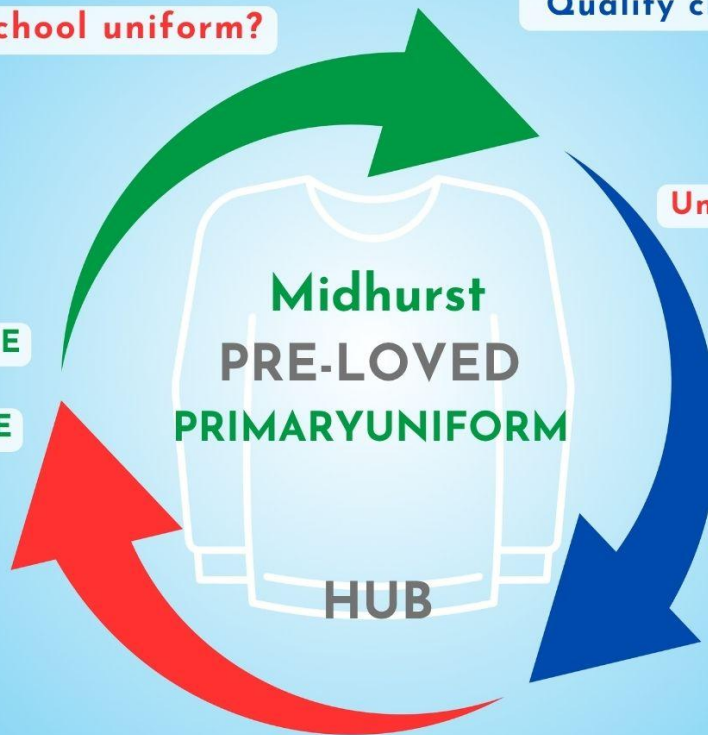
Wednesday 13th May
Midhurst Primary School

Need more school uniform?

Quality checked/Cleaned

Easebourne C.E
Stedham
Midhurst CofE

Unbranded/Logoed



FREE

Variety of sizes available

Reuse/Recycle/Go Green



For more information email:
uniform@midhurstcommunityhub.co.uk
or visit our Facebook page



The Bricklayers Arms



Charity Quiz Night

In Aid of Midhurst Primary P.T.A

Sunday 10th May

From 7pm

£5 per person

Table nibbles included

Plus Raffle on the night

Call us on 01730 812084 to reserve a table





Midhurst CofE Primary School

Parent & Toddler Group

Fridays 2:00-3:25

Run by our qualified ELSA

Ask for support, ask questions, connect, have fun



All parents and carers welcome!



INFO@CM-SPORTS.CO.UK

02392 987881

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Year R - 6 Football Club



Midhurst C.E. Primary School



TIME

Tuesdays
3:30pm - 4:30pm



DATES

April 21st -
July 14th



COST

Full Term £56.40
Spring 1 £27.50

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May is... Share a Story Month

Celebrating the fabulous world of children's fiction and inspiring a love of reading by sharing stories.



Borrow **books and audiobooks** on your library card to share aloud together at home. You can even download stories from our **eLibrary!**

Or celebrate by visiting
Storytime at a West Sussex
library near you



<https://libraries.westsussex.gov.uk/>



Join us for one of our special Half term boat trips in Chichester Harbour

Kids
tickets
starting
from just
£5!

Bird's Ahoy! 

Fun bird-spotting for all ages. 1 hr, departing Itchenor.

Seal Safari 

Three-hour trip to visit our special seals (age 8+).

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Sail through history! 1.5 hrs, departing Itchenor.

All aboard 'Solar Heritage' our solar-powered, eco-friendly tour boat departing Itchenor



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Spring is in the Air in Midhurst!

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All Details Now on visitmidhurst.com/whats-on



What to do in Midhurst Today

St Georges Day

Midhurst FC Community Team Might Win Their League this week??

Town Meeting This Thursday 7pm: Old Library

Things to enjoy in town this week:

... On Wednesday 22nd April...

- Steak & wine night from 5pm @ The Greyhound
- Poker Night @ Midhurst Club
- Midwinter Break 7:30pm @ The Leconfield (Petworth)

...On Thursday 23rd April.. **St. Georges Day**

- Lickfold Wellbeing Walks 9:30 & 11:15 am
- Special St Georges Day Menu @ The Duke £55
- Gut Bacteria: Lunch & Learn @ Cowdray 12 noon
- Annual Town Meeting: Old Library 7pm

...On Friday 24th April ...

- Fish and Chip Friday £7.99 @ The Grange
- Burger, Chips and Salad £14 @ The Bricks 6pm
- Tabitha Kendall Plays @ The Wheatsheaf 8pm

...On Saturday 25th April ...

- Free Duke Box all Night @ The Wheatsheaf
- Charity Gundog Challenge @ Benbow Pond all Day
- Spring Fair 10-12 noon @ Methodist Church Hall
- Spring Foraging 10:30am @ Cowdray

...On Sunday 26th April ...

- Super Mario Film 2:30 @ Leconfield Hall
- The Staggs CT play 3pm @ Football Club
- Bulldog Rescue 25th Party @ Carron Lane
- Olivia Stephens Plays @ The Bricks
- Land Rover Social @ The Royal Oak 9am
- Indoor Car boot Sale 10-1pm @ The Grange
- 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 - 4pm @ The Greyhound
- Summer (Non-Roast) Menu at The Bricks

... On Monday 20th April ...

- Red Tooth Poker Night @ The Bricks
- Snooker Tournament @ Midhurst Club 8pm

... On Tuesday 28th April ...

- Buddhist Monastery Talk: 6:30 Steadham Hall
- The Drama (Film) 7:30 @ The Leconfield Petworth

... On Wednesday 29th April...

- Steak & wine night from 5pm @ The Greyhound
- Poker Night @ Midhurst Club
- Open Mike Night 8pm @ Faustinos

Coming up Soon...



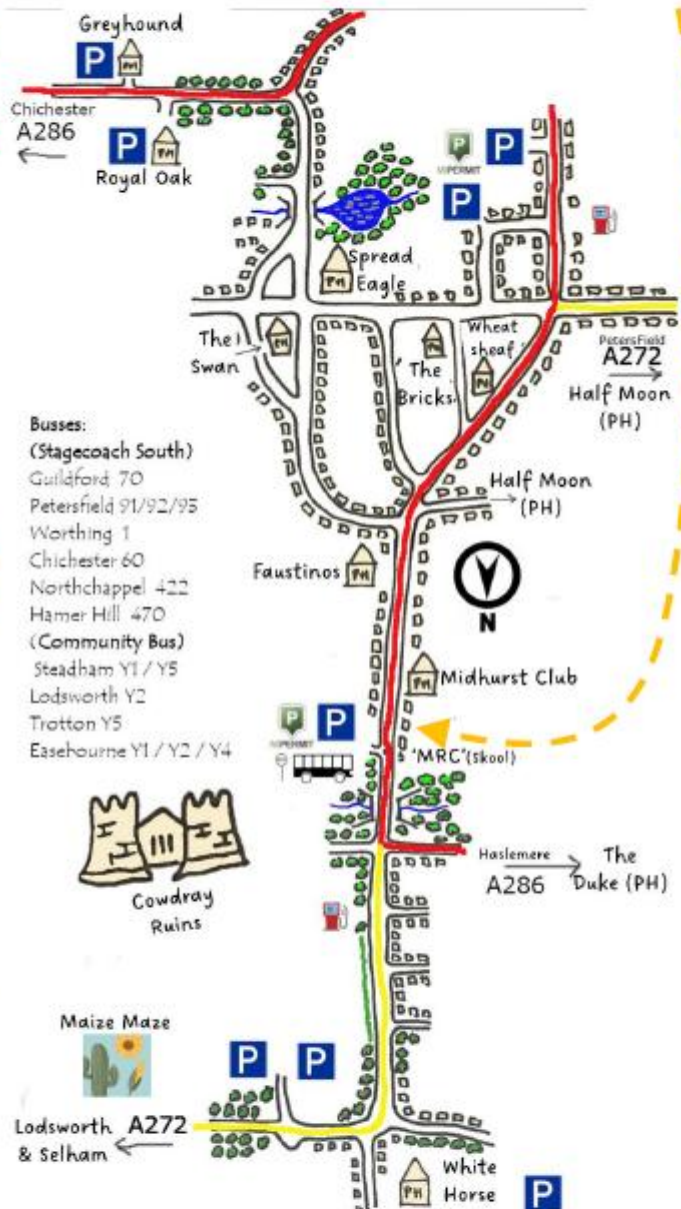
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for a full list of upcoming events in and around the Town incl. The Pubs, The Grange, Steadham, Weald & Downland, Cowdray, Goodwood, The Leconfield, Local Clubs & Societies, National trust & Others

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- Petersfield 91/92/95
- Worthing 1
- Chichester 60
- Northchappel 422
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- (Community Bus)
- Steadham Y1 / Y5
- Lodsworth Y2
- Trotton Y5
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Once Upon a Storytime...



Step back in time this half term for some spellbinding stories and a charming craft activity



Thursday 28 May 2026

10.00 - 11.00am

Suitable for children aged 4+

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



West Sussex
Library Service

Midhurst Library
The Grange, Bepton Road, GU29 9HD
01730 716671
midhurst.library@westsussex.gov.uk

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10.00 - 11.00am

Suitable for children aged 4+

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Chichester Library
Tower Street, PO19 1QJ
01243 777351
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Selsey Library
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Junior 3k & 5k



10th May
2026

Enter online at www.midhurstmilers.org



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Midhurst Town Council

Midhurst Medieval Festival

Saturday
2nd May 2026
11am to 3pm



At:
Market Square
St Ann's Hill
Midhurst Parish Church
Cowdray Ruins

There will be:

**Re-enactments, Axe Throwing, Archery, Boar
Hunting, Falconry, Games, Music, Storytelling,
Spinning, Crafts, BBQ, Blacksmithing
Demonstrations, Take Part in a Battle
and much much more.**



**A prize to all who attend in
Medieval Costume!**

**For more information, timetables and locations, please
visit:**

www.midhurst-tc.gov.uk