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# FRIDAY FLYER

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Dear Families

What a wonderful week it has been here at school!

In this week's Friday Flyer, we are delighted to share highlights from our fantastic Acorn Beach Trip, where pupils embraced the fresh air, explored the coastline and created lasting memories together. Back in school, our Forest School sessions continue to inspire curiosity and adventure, with children developing new skills and a deep appreciation for the natural world. We are also proud to showcase some truly beautiful artwork from our talented Acorn and Oak artists – their creativity and effort shine through in every piece.

We also have an important announcement to share regarding our new school caterers, who will be joining us from September. As part of their West Sussex roadshow, the catering team will be visiting our school on **24th June at 3:00pm**. This will be a great opportunity for you to meet the team, discuss any questions or concerns you may have—particularly around food allergies—and even sample items from their menus.

Finally, a reminder that our **Summer Fair takes place this afternoon at 3:30pm**. We are very much looking forward to welcoming you and hope to see as many of you there as possible for what promises to be a fun and enjoyable event for all.

Wishing you a lovely weekend!

*Mark*

**NEW SCHOOL CATERER ANNOUNCEMENT – INTRODUCING FEED BY ISS** We are delighted to share some exciting news with our school community. West Sussex Schools have appointed a new catering provider, **FEED (Feeding Excellence Every Day)** by **ISS**, and we are looking forward to the positive impact this will bring to our school meals.

FEED is a fresh and innovative school catering programme focused on delivering **nutritious, high-quality meals that children enjoy**, while supporting their health, wellbeing, and ability to learn. The programme places a strong emphasis on:

- **Balanced, nutritious menus** designed to meet children's dietary needs
- **Fresh, locally sourced ingredients wherever possible**
- **Seasonal menus that keep meals varied and exciting**
- **Encouraging healthy eating habits from an early age**

- **Flexibility to support individual dietary requirements and allergens**

ISS has extensive experience in providing catering services across schools nationally, and their FEED programme is built around the belief that **great food helps children thrive both in the classroom and beyond**. Meals are designed not only to meet government standards but to exceed expectations in taste, quality, and presentation.

A key part of FEED's approach is **engagement with pupils, parents, and schools**. They actively seek feedback and involve children in shaping menus, helping to ensure that meals are both nutritious and appealing.

[FOLLOW THIS LINK TO FIND OUT MORE AND TAKE A LOOK AT SOME SAMPLE MENUS](#)

### **FEED ROADSHOW - 24TH JUNE, 3pm**

To introduce themselves to our school community, the FEED team will be visiting us on: **Wednesday 24th June**

They will be hosting a **FEED Roadshow**, giving families a great opportunity to:

- **Meet the new catering team in person**
- **Learn more about the FEED programme and their food philosophy**
- **Find out how dietary needs and preferences will be supported**
- **Ask questions about school meals going forward**
- **Sample a selection of dishes from the new menu**

This is a fantastic chance to experience first-hand the quality and variety of food that will be available to our children and to build a relationship with the team who will be preparing their meals each day.

We are very excited about this new partnership and the opportunities it brings to enhance our school dining experience. We hope many of you will be able to attend the Roadshow and see what FEED has to offer.

If you have any questions in advance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

### **WHEN OAK & ACORNS COLLIDE: OUR KUSAMA-INSPIRED FLOWER DISPLAY!**

We're delighted to share our vibrant new art display, created through a special collaboration between Oak and Acorns classes — with huge thanks to Mrs Berry!

Inspired by artist **Yayoi Kusama**, who is famous for her colourful patterns and playful polka dots, our pupils explored bold colours and repeating designs to create a joyful garden of flowers.



Older pupils supported younger ones, making this a wonderful project full of teamwork, creativity, and confidence-building. The final display is bright, uplifting, and full of personality — we are so proud of everyone involved!

**ACORN CLASS BEACH TRIP UPDATE** What a brilliant day we had on our recent beach trip! Despite a very wet start to the journey, the rain certainly didn't dampen the spirits of our wonderful Acorns. By the time we reached West Wittering, the skies had cleared, setting the scene for a fantastic day of coastal exploration.

The children made the most of every moment, enjoying a range of seaside activities:

- Building impressive sandcastles
- Digging enormous holes in the sand
- Paddling and splashing in the sea

Our little explorers showed fantastic resilience, enthusiasm, and energy throughout the day. We are so proud of how they embraced the adventure, whatever the weather!

A big thank you to everyone who ensured the children arrived well-prepared and wrapped up for the day.

Be sure to take a look at some photos of our busy Acorns in action!



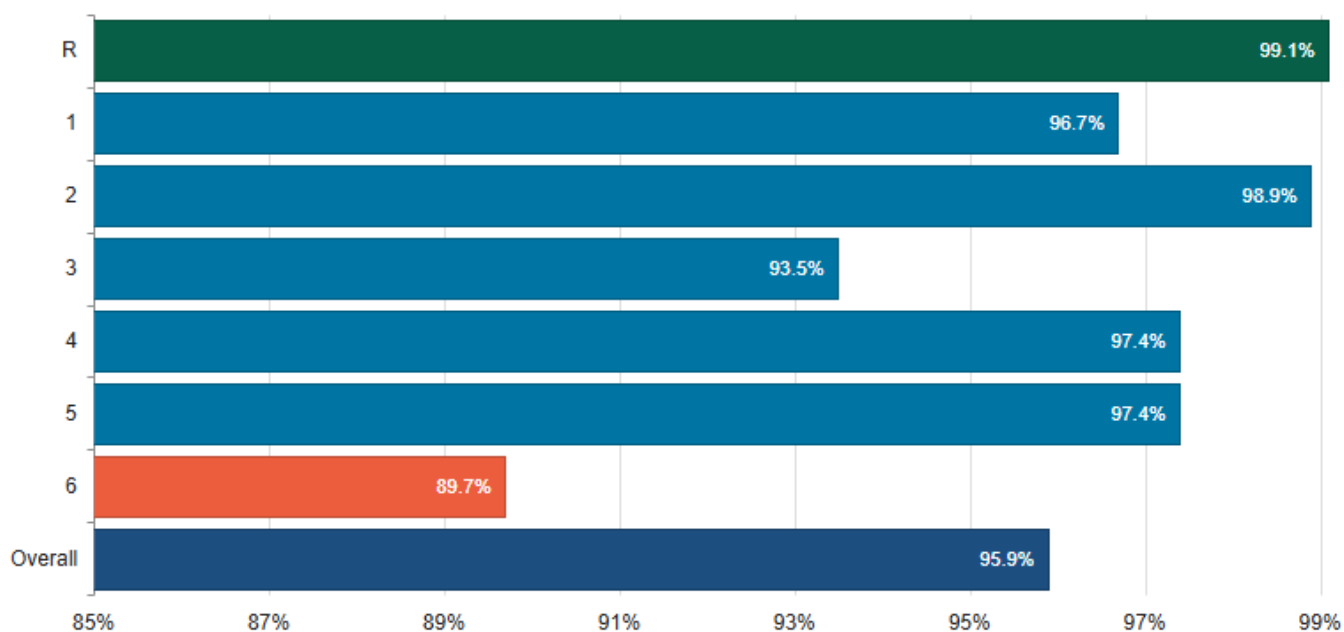
**S'MORE FUN AT FOREST SCHOOL!** Acorn Group 3 recently enjoyed their very first Forest School session—and what a fantastic start it was! The woodland setting buzzed with excitement as the children stepped into their new outdoor classroom, ready to explore, learn, and have fun in nature.

One of the most memorable moments of the session was gathering around the campfire to make delicious, gooey s'mores. The children did an excellent job listening carefully to safety instructions and demonstrated impressive patience as they waited for their marshmallows to toast to golden perfection.

From sticky fingers to beaming smiles, it was clear that the experience was a huge success. We are so proud of how the children embraced this new adventure, and we're already looking forward to many more exciting outdoor sessions ahead!



### ATTENDANCE



Our overall attendance this week is 95.9%. 0.9% above our target of 95%

### ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS!

Congratulations to Acorn Class, our attendance champions this week with 99.1% attendance.

## DIARY DATES

Date	Event/Activity	Details
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Oak & Pine class – PE today	Please come in kit
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Acorns, Birch & Hazel class – PE today Forest School - <b>Mixed</b> group from KS2 CM Sports football club	Please come in kit By invite only 3.30-4.30pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Maple, Beech, Pine & Oak – PE today Stay & Play for new Acorns Girls Football club	Please come in kit 9-10.30am 3.30-4.30pm
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Maple & Beech class – PE today Forest School – Maple class Grp 2 Friendship Tea at church Cheer Leading club	Please come in kit please bring kit some year 6s involved 3.30-4.30pm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Birch Class West Woods Fair for Acorns & Hazel class Cricket @ MRC Rounders club Cross country club	Please come in kit See separate letter By invite 3.30-4.30pm 3.30-4.15pm
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Oak & Pine class – PE today Stay & Play for new Acorns	Please come in kit 9-10.30am
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Acorn, Birch & Hazel class – PE today Football Tournament at Rogate CM Sports football club	Please come in kit Some year 5 & 6 children involved 3.30-4.30pm
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Maple, Beech, Pine & Oak – PE today Oak class Leaver's service at Chichester Cathedral Feed Road Show  Girls Football club	Please come in kit Service starts at 10.30am. All Oak class parents are welcome Tasting session on the playground from 3pm 3.30-4.30pm
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Maple & Beech class – PE today Forest School – Maple class Grp 2 Cheer Leading club	Please come in kit Please bring kit 3.30-4.30pm
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Acorns, Birch & Hazel Class Stay & Play for new Acorns Forest School - Pine Class Grp 2 Little woods – Acorns Grp 3	Please come in kit 9-10.30am Please bring kit Please come in kit

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RUNNING  
SINCE  
**2021**  
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# MIDHURST TOTS

## FOOTBALL PLAYERS

# WANTED!

**Ages 4, 5 & 6 years old welcome!**

**Age 4**

Last year  
of Nursery



**Age 5**

Reception



**Age 6**

Year 1



★ ... To join, contact Gary on: ..... ★



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# Reaching Families

Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person in West Sussex who has, or may have, special educational needs and disabilities?



Reaching Families is a parent-carer led charity which aims to empower parent-carers and families of children & young people with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex through the delivery of information, advice, training and peer support.

## Making Sense of it All

In-depth parent-carer guide covering SEND issues from birth to adulthood

## Umbrellas

Parent support groups based at locations across West Sussex and online, via Zoom

## Training

Workshops and courses on a variety of issues delivered online, via Zoom

## Face-2-Face

Peer based befriending for parents of children undergoing diagnosis

## Animations

Short animated films on a variety of subjects

## Fact sheets

Covering a range of SEND issues localised to the needs of West Sussex families

## Benefits Advice Service

1-2-1 advice & claim checking support for families applying for DLA, PIP & Carers Allowance

## NDP Navigation Service

Support service for parent-carers of children undergoing assessment on the West Sussex Neurodevelopmental Pathway (via referral from a professional)

## Facebook Group

An online parent support group providing news, information and peer support

If you would like more information about how Reaching Families can help, please contact:

Email: [admin@reachingfamilies.org.uk](mailto:admin@reachingfamilies.org.uk)

Telephone: 01903 366 360

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# Reaching Families

[www.reachingfamilies.org.uk](http://www.reachingfamilies.org.uk)

# UMBRELLAS

## Parent Support Groups

### Summer Term 2026

Connecting parents and carers of children and young people in West Sussex with special educational needs and disabilities



### Burgess Hill Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

The Cherry Tree Centre

14<sup>th</sup> Apr / 5<sup>th</sup> May / 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun / 30<sup>th</sup> Jun

### Littlehampton Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Creative Heart Community Hub (upstairs)

22<sup>nd</sup> Apr / 13<sup>th</sup> May / 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun / 1<sup>st</sup> Jul

### Worthing Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Durrington Community Centre

21<sup>st</sup> Apr / 12<sup>th</sup> May / 16<sup>th</sup> Jun / 7<sup>th</sup> Jul

### Umbrellas Online

Thursdays via Zoom

7.30 - 9pm

23<sup>rd</sup> Apr / 14<sup>th</sup> May / 11<sup>th</sup> Jun / 9<sup>th</sup> Jul

### Horsham Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Horsham Family Hub

15<sup>th</sup> Apr / 20<sup>th</sup> May / 17<sup>th</sup> Jun / 15<sup>th</sup> Jul

### Shoreham Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Adur East Family Hub

28<sup>th</sup> Apr / 19<sup>th</sup> May / 23<sup>rd</sup> Jun / 14<sup>th</sup> Jul

### Bognor Regis Umbrellas

Thursdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Arun West Family Hub

30<sup>th</sup> Apr / 21<sup>st</sup> May / 25<sup>th</sup> Jun / 16<sup>th</sup> Jul

If you would like more information about Umbrellas or the link to join Umbrellas online, please contact our outreach team.

[outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk](mailto:outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk)



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# PETWORTH FESTIVAL FAMILY FUN

SUNDAY 26 JULY, 2.30PM  
PETWORTH HOUSE STABLE YARD

With Family Theatre Magic from  
**Alice's Adventures in Wonderland**  
& Foot-tapping Musical Theatre from the Fabulous  
**Bowjangles!**

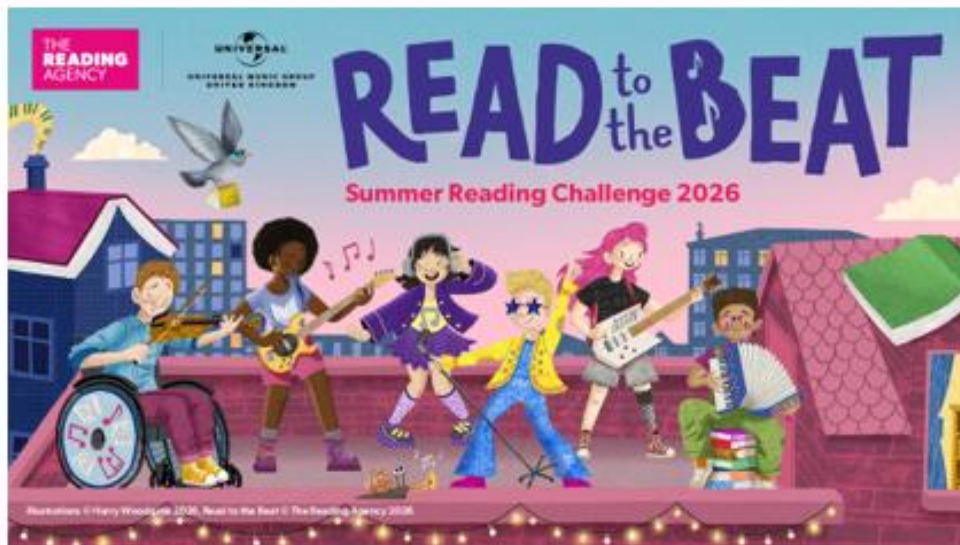
**Music** **Family Fun** **Balloon Modelling** **Face Painting**  
**Ice Creams** **Pizza Bar & Street Food** **Family Theatre**

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Tickets at  
[petworthfestival.org.uk](http://petworthfestival.org.uk)





### **Pick up the tempo and *Read to the Beat* at a library near you**

West Sussex Library Service's popular Summer Reading Challenge is back! This year's theme is ***Read to the Beat***, a celebration of reading and music.

Pre-registration is open from **Monday 15 June** and the Summer Reading Challenge starts in your local West Sussex library on **Saturday 4 July**, running until **Saturday 12 September**. It's free for families to take part and a great way to encourage reading for pleasure during the long summer holiday.

Once registered online for the Challenge at [libraries.westsussex.gov.uk/src](https://libraries.westsussex.gov.uk/src), children reveal a special code word to staff at their local library to get a *Read to the Beat* sticker booklet. The main Challenge is aimed at children aged 4-11 years, whilst under-4s can take part in the Mini Challenge.

Children will have access to a wide range of books – both physical and downloadable! They will have all summer to enjoy books and achieve personalised reading goals, returning to the library several times to discuss the books they have been reading with Summer Reading Challenge Volunteers, collecting stickers and other exciting rewards along the way.

[For anyone interested in volunteering in this role, full details and the application form are available at [libraries.westsussex.gov.uk/src](https://libraries.westsussex.gov.uk/src), with a closing date of **Friday 3 July**.] – *optional depending on space; won't be relevant past start of July*

Sing from the rooftops – it's nearly Summer Reading Challenge time!

# Order Your School Uniform Online



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Orders are placed in a queue until 15th and 30th of each month and delivered into School up to 14 days after.



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### IMPORTANT SUMMER HOLIDAY ORDER INFORMATION

Last order date for free delivery into school is **12th June** then service switches to \*home delivery until **11th September**.  
(\*Place your home delivery order by **17th July** for delivery before the start of term)

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Register today to avoid missing out on Brigade promotions or important notifications by scanning this QR code

