



FRIDAY FLYER

Dear Families

As you read this week's flyer, you will see plenty to celebrate, opportunities to get involved and some important reminders for the weeks ahead. From sporting success and fundraising achievements to opportunities to support the school community, it is another great reflection of the kindness, commitment and community spirit that makes Midhurst such a special place.

A particular highlight of this week was this morning's Vicar's Award Assembly, where children were recognised for the way they embody our school values in their everyday lives. It is always a privilege to hear the nominations and learn about the many acts of kindness, perseverance, respect and courage demonstrated by our pupils. I was incredibly proud of all of the children who were recognised and of the example they set for others across our school community.

Last night, we held our annual PTA AGM and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our PTA for the incredible work they do throughout the year to support our children. Whether organising events, raising valuable funds or giving up their time to help create memorable experiences for our pupils, their contribution to school life is immense and greatly appreciated by staff, children and families alike.

Following the meeting, we say a heartfelt thank you to Becky Simpson, who steps down as Chair, and Laura Turner, who steps down as Secretary. Both have given generously of their time and energy, and their dedication has helped the PTA achieve so much for our school community. We are extremely grateful for everything they have done.

At the same time, I am delighted to welcome Hayley Abrams (Year 1 parent) as our new Chair and Nadia Page (Year 1 parent) as our new Secretary. I am also very pleased that Sharon Storey-Apps (Year 5 parent) will continue in her role as Treasurer, providing valuable continuity and experience. Together, I know they will make a fantastic team.

The PTA is always keen to welcome new faces, whether you can offer ideas, help at events or simply lend a hand from time to time. In particular, any support with next week's school disco would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to become involved in any way, please get in touch with this amazing group of volunteers via pta@midhurstprimary.co.uk.

Looking ahead, the PTA will also be contributing a regular article to the Friday Flyer, keeping us all updated on their exciting plans, events and fundraising ventures. I know our school community will enjoy following their journey and supporting their work throughout the year.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mark

FLU VACCINATION REMINDER A reminder that you should have received an email on 30 September containing information about this year's flu vaccination programme, including details of how to provide consent online. If you would like your child to receive the vaccination in school, online consent must be completed by 11:00am on 30 October. Please note that no consent can be accepted after this deadline, so we encourage families to complete the process as soon as possible if they wish their child to take part.

BECOME A PARENT GOVERNOR A letter has gone home today regarding two Parent Governor vacancies on our Governing Body. If you are interested in supporting the school and helping to shape its future direction, we would encourage you to take a look.

Parent Governors play a vital role in school life. They bring the views of parents to the Governing Body while working alongside other governors to provide support and challenge, helping to ensure the very best outcomes for all children. Governors contribute to important discussions about the school's vision, priorities, finance, staffing, safeguarding and educational standards.

Being a Parent Governor is also a rewarding personal and professional development opportunity. It offers the chance to gain experience in strategic leadership, teamwork and decision-making, while giving something back to the school community and helping to make a real difference to the lives of our children.

No specialist knowledge is needed, just a commitment to the school and a willingness to work as part of a team. We are keen to receive nominations from parents and carers with a wide range of experiences and backgrounds. If you think this might be something you would enjoy, please read the letter sent home today for further information about the role and nomination process. We would be delighted to hear from you.

HEAD LICE We have been made aware of a case of head lice (nits) in school and would appreciate your support in helping to prevent them from spreading further. Head lice are very common amongst primary-aged children and are nothing to be embarrassed about. We kindly ask all parents and carers to check their child's hair carefully over the weekend and regularly thereafter. Pay particular attention behind the ears and around the nape of the neck.

If you find evidence of head lice, please begin treatment promptly and continue to check and comb the hair regularly to ensure all lice and eggs have been removed. Siblings and other household members should also be checked.

To help reduce the spread of head lice, we encourage children with longer hair to keep it tied back where possible.

GREAT JOB EDDIE AND FLORA We are incredibly proud of Eddie (Year 6) and his sister Flora, who left Midhurst CofE Primary School last year and is now thriving at MRC. During half term, they will be taking on the challenge of climbing Snowdon to raise money for Children in Need.

This is a fantastic achievement and a wonderful example of our school values in action, particularly kindness, as they dedicate their time and energy to helping others. Their determination, generosity and community spirit are an inspiration to us all.

We know that many families will want to join us in supporting Eddie and Flora as they prepare for their adventure. If you feel able to do so, please consider making a donation through their JustGiving page and help them reach their fundraising target for this incredibly worthwhile cause.

Good luck, Eddie and Flora! We will all be cheering you on and can't wait to hear all about your climb when you return. We are very proud of you both.

You can donate to their JustGiving page by clicking here [Flora and Eddie's Just Giving Page](#)



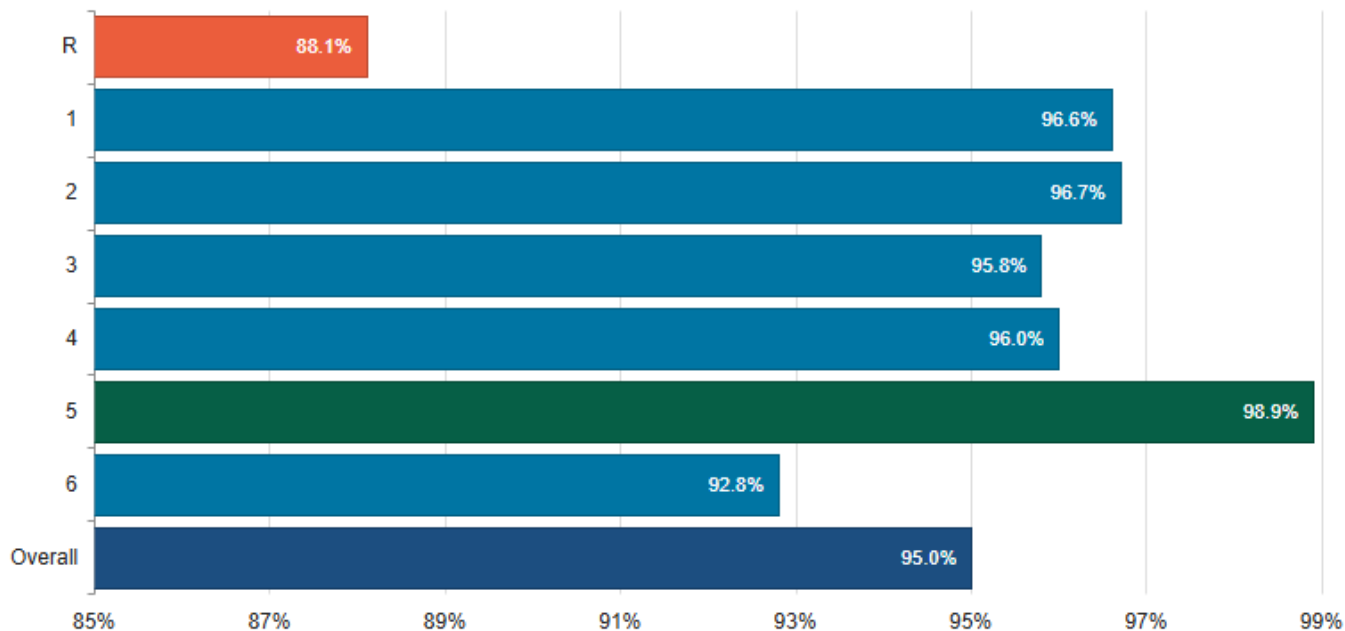
FOOTBALL SUCCESS! Last week I had the pleasure of taking a wonderful group of children to the MRC mixed football tournament. Throughout the afternoon, the children represented the school in the best way possible, showing sportsmanship, compassion and teamwork at all times.

Our first match was against Petworth which we won an amazing 3-0. After that, we just kept winning, beating Easebourne and Harting in quick succession.

This allowed us to top our group and put us straight into the final where a 2-0 victory gave us the trophy and medals.

Well done to everyone who took part. You were amazing. – Mr Jones

ATTENDANCE



Our attendance this week is 95%.

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

And a huge congratulations to Pine Class. Our attendance champions for the first time this term with 98.9%. Well done Pine Class.

COME ALONG TO OUR MIDHURST AND VILLAGES FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP We meet every other Friday at The Grange, Midhurst. This is a great opportunity to ask questions, seek advice and chat with Mrs Mullen (Kirstan) and Stacey McGuiness (Family Support Worker), as well as meet other parents and carers from our local community.

The group is free to attend, and pre-school-aged children are very welcome.

We will also be inviting guest speakers throughout the year and would love your suggestions about who you would like us to invite.

This group is not just for families from our school. We welcome parents and carers from other schools in the community too, so if you have a friend whose children do not attend MPS, please bring them along and help spread the word.

Your support is always valued and very much appreciated. If you have knowledge, skills or experiences that you would like to share with the group, please let us know.

Next Meeting -

Friday 6th November
1.30pm to 3.00pm
The Grange, Midhurst

P.S. Our Toddler Group continues to run at school on the Fridays when we are not meeting at The Grange. You are very welcome to join us there too.

Why not make Friday afternoons your regular time to connect with us and other local parents, whether that is at school or at The Grange?

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Mrs Mullen

DON'T FORGET - HALLOWEEN SCHOOL DISCO! A final reminder that Thursday next week is our much-anticipated School Disco, organised by our fantastic PTA. This year's disco has a Halloween theme, so get ready for an evening of music, dancing, fun and plenty of spooky excitement!

Events like these create wonderful memories for our children and are only possible because of the hard work and dedication of our PTA volunteers. If you are able to spare a little time to help before, during or after the event, the PTA would be incredibly grateful for your support.

Whether you can offer an hour of your time, help with setting up, supervising activities or tidying away afterwards, every bit of support makes a real difference.

If you would like to help, please contact the PTA at pta@midhurstprimary.co.uk.

We can't wait to see the children enjoying this fantastic event. Thank you, as always, for supporting our PTA and helping make our school community such a special place.

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Midhurst & Villages Family Support

The Grange Community Centre
Bepton Rd
Midhurst GU29 9HD

SUPPORT

18th September
2nd October
16th October
6th November
20th November
4th December
18th December

Every Other Friday
Between 1.30 & 3pm

For more information contact
Stacey on 07545092814 or
Kirstan on
kmullen@midhurstprimary.co.uk

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THE CHICHESTER DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION FOR FAMILY SUPPORT WORK
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DIARY DATES

Date	Event/Activity	Details
Monday 19 th October	Hazel class trip to Bird World Little woods Birch class group 1 Hockey Club	See separate letter for more details Please bring kit 3.30 – 4.30pm
Tuesday 20 th October	CM Sports Football club Drama Club	3.30 – 4.30pm 3.30 – 4.30pm
Wednesday 21 st October	Forest School – Vicar's award	By invite only Please bring kit
Thursday 22 nd October	Swimming - Beech class (last one) Cheerleading Club Halloween Disco	Please bring kit 3.30 – 4.30pm KS1 5.30 – 6.30pm KS2 6.45 – 7.45pm See poster below for more info
Friday 23rd October	INSET day – school closed	
Monday 26th – Friday 30th October	HALF TERM	
Monday 2 nd November Back to School	Maple class trip to Butser Ancient Farm Little woods Birch class group 2 Hockey Club	More information to follow Please bring kit 3.30 – 4.30pm
Tuesday 3 rd November	Flu Vaccinations CM Sports Football club Drama Club	Closing date for giving consent is 11am on the 30th October. You can no longer give consent after this date or on the day. 3.30 - 4.30pm 3.30 – 4.30pm
Wednesday 4 th November	Forest School – Beech class group 2 Rotary Music evening at MRC	Please bring kit More details to follow
Thursday 5 th November	Pine class trip to Hampton Court Palace Cheerleading Club	See separate letter 3.30 – 4.30pm
Friday 6 th November	Forest School – Oak class group 2 Hockey tournament at MRC Cross country club Netball club	Please bring kit By invite only 3.30 – 4.15pm 3.30 - 4.15pm

PE TIMETABLE

Class	PE DAY
Acorns	Tuesday & Friday
Birch	Tuesday & Thursday
Hazel	Monday & Tuesday
Maple	Tuesday & Thursday
Beech	Monday & Wednesday
Pine	Wednesday & Friday
Oak	Wednesday & Friday

Midhurst CofE Primary School Calendar 2026/27

<u>September 2026</u>		
Tuesday 1st	Staff INSET (School closed)	
Wednesday 2nd	Autumn Term Begins	
Monday 14th - Friday 18th	Oak Class Bikeability	
Wednesday 30th	Oak Class Experience day at MRC	
<u>October 2026</u>		
Tuesday 6th	Harvest Assembly in school	am
Tuesday 6th	Pine class visiting Foodbank to pack boxes	pm
Thursday 8th	Hello Yellow day	
Friday 9th	School Photos (individual)	
Monday 12th	Open day	9-11am & 4-6pm
Tuesday 13th	SEN Parents evening	
Friday 23rd	Staff INSET (School closed)	
Monday 26th - Friday 30th	Half term	
<u>November 2026</u>		
Monday 2nd	Back to school	
Tuesday 3rd	Flu Vaccinations - Whole school	
Wednesday 4th	Rotary Music Evening at MRC	
Sunday 8th	Remembrance service at church	
Wednesday 11th	Remembrance service at church for KS2	10.45am
Friday 13th	Children in Need	
Tuesday 17th	Parents evening	5-8pm
Thursday 19th	Parents evening	4-7pm
<u>December 2026</u>		
Wednesday 9th	KS1 Performance	6.30pm
Thursday 10th	KS1 Performance	6.30pm
Friday 11th	Reception Nativity	2pm
Thursday 17th	Whole School Carol Service in Church	6.30pm
Friday 18th	Last day of term - FUN DAY	
Friday 18th	PTA Raffle with Mince Pies and Mulled Wine	3pm
Monday 21st - Friday 1st	Christmas Holidays	
<u>January 2027</u>		
Monday 4th	Staff INSET (School closed)	
Tuesday 5th	Spring Term Begins	
<u>February 2027</u>		
Tuesday 9th	SEN Parents evening	

Midhurst CofE Primary School Calendar 2026/27

Monday 15th - Friday 19th	Half term	
Monday 22nd	Back to school	
<u>March 2027</u>		
Tuesday 9th	Parents Evening	5-8pm
Thursday 12th	Parents Evening	4-7pm
Monday 15th - Friday 19th	Oak Class Residential - PGL Little Canada	
Thursday 25th	Last day of term	
Friday 26th - Friday 9th	Easter Holidays	
<u>April 2027</u>		
Monday 12th	Staff INSET (School closed)	
Tuesday 13th	Summer Term Begins	
<u>May 2027</u>		
Monday 3rd	Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 4th	Class Photo	
Monday 10th - Thursday 14th	Oak Class - SATs	
Monday 31st - Friday 4th June	Half term	
<u>June 2027</u>		
Monday 7th	Back to school	
Monday 7th - Friday 18th	Multiplication Tables Check	
Monday 7th - Friday 18th	Phonics Screening	
Wednesday 9th	New Intake Evening	
Friday 12th	Summer Fair (TBC)	
Tuesday 22nd	SEN Parents evening	
Friday 25th	Sports Day	1pm
<u>July 2027</u>		
Friday 2nd	Reserve Sports day	
Wednesday 7th	Oak & Pine Performance @ MRC theatre (matinee)	1.30pm
Wednesday 7th	Oak & Pine Performance @ MRC theatre (evening)	7pm
Monday 12th	Reports out	
Tuesday 13th	Open Evening (drop in - no appointment needed)	4-6pm
Wednesday 14th	Leavers service in church	1.45pm
Wednesday 14th	Leavers Tea Party at school	3.30-4.30
Thursday 15th - Friday 16th	Oak Class camping at Stedham	
Monday 19th	Beach Day	
Tuesday 20th	Last day of term - Final Assembly	
Wednesday 21st	Staff INSET (School closed)	
Thursday 22nd	Summer Holidays	



Decorate a Plate

any way you like!



Grab a plate and let your mind
Go spooky, funny, scary or kind,
Paint it, stick it, make it shine,
Use your ideas – they'll be just fine!



To decorate the hall for the
HALLOWEEN DISCO!

Get
creative!



Let's
make the
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spook-tacular!



Return your finished plates by
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Liphook Junior School
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26TH OCTOBER - 30TH OCTOBER

Our holiday courses give children from Year R to Year 9 the ideal blend of play and structure. With safety and enjoyment always in mind, every day is designed to keep children active and engaged.

Standard day 10:00am - 4:00pm
Early start 8:15am - 4:00pm
Late finisher 10:00am - 6:00pm

Prices start from £31.50 per day
Discount for booking a full week

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OCTOBER ACTIVITY CLUB

Weyford Primary School

Mill Chase Rd, GU35 0EP

8:30AM - 4:30PM

26TH OCTOBER - 30TH OCTOBER

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£26 PER DAY
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OCTOBER FOOTBALL CLUB

Petersfield Football Club

Love Lane, GU31 4BW

9:00AM - 3:00PM

26TH OCTOBER - 28TH OCTOBER

In partnership with Petersfield Football Club, children in Years 1-8 can enjoy a day of football designed to combine learning with fun. Children can look forward to skill development, age-appropriate challenges, small-sided games, tournaments, and lots more excitement throughout the day.

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MULTIPLE DAY DISCOUNT

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Wednesday 28 October
2.00 - 3.00pm

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

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Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity



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Monday 26 October
2.00 - 3.00pm

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Booking essential – please speak with staff to reserve a place
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HALLOWEEN HALF TERM FUN

 Sunday 25 th October - Halloween Special at the Studio in Greatham	 Tuesday 27 th October - Halloween Fun at Brightwells, Farnham All day	 Friday 30 th October - Halloween Fun at Sky Park Farm All day
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Saturday 7 November 2026 | 1.30-4.30pm | Chichester Cathedral

Spend an afternoon finding out what it is like to be a cathedral chorister. Join us for a singing workshop, open-forum Q&A, a short service and tea.

We welcome children who enjoy music and are curious about the choir, as well as those who might want to explore the opportunity to join our choir school and become a chorister.

Who is this event for?

The open day is suitable for boys and girls in years 2, 3, and 4, accompanied by a parent or guardian. No musical experience is expected: we welcome children who are enthusiastic about singing and music.

Booking

To book a space or ask any questions about the event, please contact Chris George:

E: Chris.George@chichestercathedral.org.uk T: 01243 812488

For more information about the chorister life please contact Charles Harrison:

E: organist@chichestercathedral.org.uk T: 01243 812486

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20 Sept Walton-on Thames Riverside Arts	29 Oct Twickenham The Exchange
04 Oct West Totten Hanger Farm Arts	31 Oct Isle of Wight Quay Arts
10 Oct Folkestone Quarterhouse	1 Nov Hertford Beam
11 Oct London Jacksons Lane Theatre	7 Nov Petersfield Bedales Olivier Theatre
17 Oct London Lyric Hammersmith	8 Nov London Woolwich Works
18 Oct Leeds Carrigeworks	21 Nov Telford Little Theatre
26 Oct Aylesbury ATG Waterside	5 Dec Havant The Spring

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10.30am–3.30pm

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26 & 29 October
11am–12pm & 1.30–2.30pm



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