

Wisborough Green Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 27th September 2024



Focus Value for
this half term:
Empathy

A Note from the Headteacher

With our understanding of Empathy starting to embed, this week we considered the difference between 'empathy' and 'sympathy'. We listened to 'Being an Empathetic Person' and tried to distinguish between the two. Here are some of the children's thoughts:

Empathy is thinking how someone else is thinking

Empathy is being inside their feelings

Sympathy is knowing someone is feeling bad

We liked the simple explanation of sympathy being when we see how someone is feeling and empathy relating to when we feel how someone is feeling.

Democracy Day

Today, the results of our 'Democracy Day' were shared in assembly, and badges were given out. Well done to all the successful nominees and to everyone who put themselves forward for a position of responsibility. We are extremely proud of you all!

KSI Visit to Arundel Castle

Years 1 and 2 had a wonderful time on their recent trip to Lyminster Church and Arundel Castle. They learnt lots about the Knucker Dragon and how castles were protected from intruders. The children particularly enjoyed seeing the oubliette (castle dungeon) and dressing up in medieval costumes. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who supported the children on this exciting day!



READING CORNER

Our library and classroom bookshelves appear to have lost some of their stock over the last year. We would be grateful, therefore, if you could search bedrooms and bookbags for any school reading books that have not been returned. We are particularly short of the banded books which will have a coloured sticker on the spine.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Family Reading session this morning. It was great to start the year with nearly 100 parents and grandparents supporting the children with their love of reading!



National Support Staff Day



We would like to celebrate our amazing team of support staff at Wisborough Green Primary School. Teaching assistants work long hours in classrooms across the UK. Their vital work to support children's education has always deserved greater recognition. Please join us in saying thank you to our teaching assistants, office staff, premises team, midday meals staff and everyone who works behind the scenes to provide a safe and nurturing environment in which your children can learn and grow. We are extremely lucky at Wisborough Green to work with such a dedicated team and we would like to express our thanks to them all on this special day.

Welcome to Maple Class

Our new Reception class have had a fantastic first few weeks of school. They have all settled into the school routines beautifully and have enjoyed getting to know their new friends, their buddies and their classroom area. It has been wonderful to see this happen so quickly. Well done!



Online Safety

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended this week's e-safety webinar, led by Miss Greenway. Although the feedback was positive, the turnout was disappointing. Following previous requests from parents, we arranged the meeting for 6:30pm to enable more working parents and carers to attend. We will continue to adapt our times to encourage greater uptake in the future. If you would like support to help your child make positive choices online, please [follow the link](#) to see the presentation provided by West Sussex Digital Safety Team, and other useful website links.

PTA Support

We would like to say a big thank you to the PTA and everyone who has contributed to their events for helping to fund a significant part of our educational visits this year and for purchasing 30 chairs for the Year 5 classroom. After many years of squashing into small chairs, Rowan Class finally have chairs of an appropriate size.



Parent Code of Conduct

We have recently reviewed our Parent Code of Conduct to ensure that our expectations are clear. The Code of Conduct is an unsigned agreement between the Parent, Carer, Visitor and Wisborough Green Primary School. By setting clear guidelines on behaviour for all members of our community, we aim to strengthen the relationship between staff, parents and children, thereby creating a safe, respectful and inclusive environment for all concerned. Please see the [policy section](#) of the Parent Information tab on our website for details.

Midhurst Rother College Open Day

Please note that the second open evening for MRC is Wednesday 16th October 2024 9.30am - 11.30am, not Thursday 17th, as stated on the original flyer.

Childcare Vouchers for Wraparound

Premier Education is delighted to announce that it has received its Ofsted Registration! Parents may now use their childcare vouchers from 1st October, to pay for the wraparound provision and after school clubs. For booking information, please [click here](#).

Water Safety

West Sussex Public Health Team have asked us to share their guide on keeping children safe in water. Please see the flyer attached for details.

The Royal Life Saving Society is also offering resources relating to children knowing how to stay safe around water. Give children the skills to enjoy a lifetime of fun in the water with the Royal Life Saving Society UK's [free water safety resources](#). [#EnjoyWaterSafely](#) [#DrowningPreventionWeek](#)

Next Week

- Monday 30th September 9:15am New Parent Tour (Reception 2025)
- Tuesday 1st October start of Black History Month
- Tuesday 1st 1:15pm New Parent Tour
- Wednesday 2nd Lions Visit: Book Donations
- Thursday 3rd 9:15am New Parent Tour
- Thursday 3rd Harvest Celebration at St Peter's Church 1:20pm
- Friday 4th National Poetry Day

Congratulations to the
winner of
this week's PTA Cake
Raffle!



Important Dates

- Tuesday 22nd October 2024 Individual Photographs
- Thursday 24th October 2024 Pumpkin Competition
- Monday 4th November 2024 INSET Day
- Friday 8th November 2024 Remembrance Service
- Friday 8th November 2024 PTA Bonfire & Fireworks
- Monday 25th November 2024 Flu Vaccinations
- Tuesday 10th/ Wednesday 11th December 2024 Nativity
- Wednesday 18th December 2024 Christmas Jumper & Christmas Lunch Day
- Friday 14th February 2025 INSET Day
- Thursday 3rd March 2025 Year 3/4 Music Festival
- W/c 12th May 2025 Year 6 SATs Week
- Friday 23rd May 2025 Sports Day

Please make a note in your diary of any relevant dates - we know how important it is to give ample notice and aim to do so wherever possible. Further dates may be added as the year progresses.

HOUSE POINTS

BLUE - 119
GREEN - 125
YELLOW - 162
RED - 114

For future diary dates,
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