

Wisborough Green Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 17th October 2025



Focus for this half term

READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE

A Note from the Headteacher

Congratulations to our Values Champions this week: Emilia, Erin, Cole, Arabella, Maisie and Alexia!

Year 2



We have had a fantastic start to Year 2 and have enjoyed getting stuck in learning all about Space! 'We have really enjoyed getting to know our new classroom!' said Finley and Piper. 'I've enjoyed Maths and Phonics' said Sophie, 'It has been a bit harder than Year 1' said Matteo.

We have been working really hard using adjectives and noun phrases to write character descriptions in our English lessons. 'I really liked using expanded noun phrases to write character descriptions about Rocket from our book Look Up!' said Daphne. We now know the book inside out and have been enjoying linking it in our different lessons. As well as this, we have done more work practising our cursive handwriting, making sure our writing is really neat! 'I really enjoy learning how to join my letters together and doing it in my English book!' said Darcey.



We have been doing loads of Art this half term, looking at different artists, their styles and techniques and 'painted space pictures using splatting like Peter Thorpe' - Kit. We have now moved on to clay where we're making pumpkins and will be painting them after the holiday. 'We really enjoyed making the pumpkins' said Isla and Jack, 'but our hands got very messy!' said Edie. In our History and Reading lessons we have filled our brains with lots of Space facts, learning about different astronauts. Tim Peake 'was born in 1972 in Chichester' - Finley, and 'was the first British citizen to go into Space, - Kit. 'Neil Armstrong was the first man on the moon' - Reuben, 'he went in 1969!' - Erin.



Finally, we have loved doing different experiments in our science lessons! Sophie loved 'squeezing water out of sponges and towels' when looking at 'how absorbent different materials are' - Kit. Hugh and Oliver enjoyed deciding which material was best for Bob's umbrella by wrapping him up in paper, plastic or fabric and 'dunking him in water' - Oliver.



We are all really excited for next half term and learning more about space!

Secondary School Applications Reminder

We would like to remind Year 6 parents that the deadline for applying for secondary school is **11.59pm on Friday 31 October 2025**. If you have not applied yet, please visit the [West Sussex County Council](#) page for further information, advice and the online application form.



Bonfire Night

There are still tickets available for this lovely community event on Friday 7th November. Please book tickets on ClassList. We look forward to seeing you there!



JOIN US FOR...

BONFIRE NIGHT

7 NOVEMBER 2025 | 6:00 PM
FIREWORKS, BONFIRE, BBQ, BAR & LOTS MORE!

6.00PM - GATE OPENS
6.15PM - GUY PROCESSION
6.30PM - BONFIRE LIGHTING
6.45PM - FIREWORKS PLUNGER PRIZE DRAW
7.15PM - FIREWORKS BROUGHT TO US BY AURORA*

ENTRY WITH VALID TICKET VIA NEWPOUND LANE ENTRANCE.
NO ADMITTANCE VIA SCHOOL ROAD.
DON'T FORGET TO BRING CASH PLENTY OF CASH!
*STALLS WILL CLOSE FOR A SHORT PERIOD DURING THE FIREWORKS

ADULTS: £7, OVER 3'S: £5
UNDER 3'S: FREE
TICKETS AVAILABLE ON CLASSLIST

AURORA FIREWORKS
WISBOROUGH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA
REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1123131

Community Support in Adverse Weather

As we move into the winter months, there may be occasions when particularly adverse weather makes it difficult for some families to get their children to school. We're looking to create a small list of parents who would be happy to be contacted to help other families with transport in these circumstances.

If you would be willing to be contacted to offer a lift or support when needed, please let the school office know. We'll only share contact details with your permission and will coordinate any requests sensitively.

Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe and supported—whatever the weather!

Safeguarding Warning

It has come to our attention via the lead safeguarding advisor from Hampshire County Council that a website printed within a children's book series has been compromised, with the link now taking you to pornographic content.

There are three separate series called 'Spy Dog', 'Spy Pups' and 'Spy Cats', all by Andrew Cope. These books contain a link to a website www.spydog451.co.uk. The books ask children to visit the website to find out more about the characters in the books, however this website has been compromised.

As a precaution, please ensure your children do not have access to these books until the issue is resolved. We also ask that you do not share this information with your children in order to safeguard them.

Key Dates

October

- Tuesday 21st - Individual School Photos
- Thursday 23rd - New Parents Tour @ 9.30am
- Friday 24th - Reception Class 6-Week-In Meeting
- Friday 24th - PTA Halloween Disco
- Monday 27th - Friday 31st - October Half Term

November

- Monday 3rd - INSET Day
- Tuesday 4th - Autumn Term #2 Begins
- Tuesday 4th - New Parents Tour @ 9.30am
- Thursday 6th - Y4 Swimming Lessons Begin
- Friday 7th - Y3/Y4 Trip to Butser Farm
- Friday 7th - PTA Bonfire Night

Date Changes

- Friday 28th November - Pop up shop
- Monday 9th March - Y5 Lodge Hill Parent Meeting @ 3.30pm
- Saturday 20th June - Summer Fair
- Friday 3rd July KS1 Open Theatre



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

HOUSE POINTS

YELLOW - 532
BLUE - 569
GREEN - 535
RED - 488

For future diary dates, please visit our website's [school calendar](#). Thank you.

Total Solar Energy
Generated
174,849 kWh

HELP US TO...

BUILD THE BONFIRE

WE NEED 30 HELPERS TO JOIN US 9AM ON SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER TO GET THE BONFIRE READY. BRING YOUR WELLIES AND GLOVES, AND WE'LL SUPPLY THE WOOD! CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO COME ALONG AND BE PART OF THE FUN. LET'S BUILD SOMETHING SPECTACULAR TOGETHER FOR BONFIRE NIGHT!

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WISBOROUGH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOLS Parent Teacher Association

Launching This November - Join Our First Term

Learn exciting routines every week
Build confidence, technique and boost creativity
Upbeat, supportive & inspiring space

JASMINE'S URBAN MOVEMENT ACADEMY

PROFESSIONAL DANCER WITH UK TOURING EXPERIENCE

STREET & COMMERCIAL DANCE
Wednesday 5:30pm - 6:30pm
Ages 7-12

Faygate Village Hall, Horsham RH12 4SG

£9 PER SESSION FOR MORE INFO **07361600508**

BOOK @ CLASS FOR KIDS
Urbanmovementacademyuk@gmail.com

WOWSI

Join a WOWSI Parent Chat Session

Our WOWSI parent chat sessions are a chance for parent carers to come together, share experiences, and feel supported in a relaxed and understanding space. Whether you want to talk, listen, or simply connect with others who "get it," we'd love to see you.

Upcoming Dates (Online):

Tuesday 1st July 9:30 - 11am	QR Code	Tuesday 10 th February 9.30 11am	QR Code
Monday 15 th September 11am - 12:30pm	QR Code	Tuesday 17 th March 6.30 - 8pm	QR Code
Monday 11 th November 6:30 - 8pm	QR Code	Monday 27 th April 10 - 11.30am	QR Code
Tuesday 13 th January 6:30 - 8pm	QR Code		

You don't need to prepare anything - just come as you are.



Chartwells Catering have vacancies

Are you interested in school catering that fits around your family life?
If so, why not join our friendly, professional team!

Billingshurst primary school- catering assistant 10hrs per week
Wisborough Green primary school – catering assistant 10hrs per week
Plaistow primary school – 16.25hrs per week

Appropriate training will be given and smart uniform will be provided. DBS checks will be carried out on successful applicants.

For more information please contact
email Sharon.aldred@compass-group.co.uk
or 07867 202887



Pirates Ahoy!

Avast ye, landlubbers! It's all hands on deck for some swashbuckling stories and craft activities this half term, else we'll make you walk the plank!



Friday 31 October
2.00-3.00pm
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.

100 Years
West Sussex County Council

Billingshurst Library
Mill Lane, RH14 9JZ
01403 783145
billingshurst.library@westsussex.gov.uk

Training Autumn 2025 (1st half-term)

Reaching Families offer a range of free training courses and workshops to parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex.

Training Workshops

Month	Topic	Date	Time
September	Making Sense of Wellbeing: Understanding and building resilience	Tuesday 16th	7.30pm
	Understanding Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)	Thursday 18th	7.30pm
	Understanding Autism	Tuesday 30th	10.30am
October	Making Sense of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)	Thursday 2nd	7.30pm
	Making Sense of Behaviours that Challenge (age 2-11 years)	Thursday 16th	7.30pm
	Understanding Demand Avoidance	Tuesday 21st	7.30pm
	Making Sense of Education Health & Care Needs Assessments and Plans (EHCPs)	Wednesday 22nd	10.30am
The SEND Foundation Course			
An introduction to SEND and the key issues parents and carers will encounter as their children grow and develop.			
Dates: 24 th September / 1 st October (2-part course)		Wednesdays	10.00am-11.50pm
All training above will be delivered via Zoom			
For further information visit our website or email: outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk			

Umbrellas Parent Support Group Autumn Term 2025

Would you like to connect with other local parent carers?

If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex, please join us at one of our local support groups or from the comfort of your own home.

Location	Days	Time
Shoreham Umbrellas	Tuesdays	10 am - 11.30 am
Adur East Family Hub (Shoreham)	9th Sep / 7th Oct / 4th Nov / 2nd Dec	
Littlehampton Umbrellas	Wednesdays	10 am - 11.30 am
Creative Heart Community Hub (upstairs)	10th Sep / 8th Oct / 5th Nov / 3rd Dec	
Worthing Umbrellas	Tuesdays	10 am - 11.30 am
Durrington Community Centre	16th Sep / 14th Oct / 11th Nov / 9th Dec	
Horsham Umbrellas	Wednesdays	10 am - 11.30 am
Horsham Family Hub	17th Sep / 15th Oct / 19th Nov / 17th Dec	
Chichester Umbrellas	Thursdays	10 am - 11.30 am
Donnington Parish Hall	25th Sep / 23rd Oct / 20th Nov / 11th Dec	
Burgess Hill Umbrellas	Tuesdays	10 am - 11.30 am
The Cherry Tree Centre	23rd Sep / 21st Oct / 25th Nov / 16th Dec	

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

Email: outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk

Reaching Families

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

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, training and peer support.

Making Sense of it All In-depth parent-carer guide covering SEND issues from birth to adulthood	Fact sheets Covering a range of SEND issues localised to the needs of West Sussex families
Umbrellas Parent support groups based at locations across West Sussex and online, via Zoom	Benefits Advice Service 1-2-1 advice & claims checking support for families applying for DLA, PIP & Carers Allowance
Training Workshops and courses on a variety of issues delivered online, via Zoom	NDP Navigation Service Support service for parent-carers of children undergoing assessment on the West Sussex Neurodevelopmental Pathway (via referral from a professional)
Face-2-Face Peer based befriending for parents of children undergoing diagnosis	Facebook Group An online parent support group providing news, information and peer support
Animations Short animated films on a variety of subjects	

Umbrellas Online Thursdays via Zoom

11th Sep	7.30 pm - 9 pm
9th Oct	7.30 pm - 9 pm
6th Nov	7.30 pm - 9 pm
4th Dec	7.30 pm - 9 pm

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

Email: admin@reachingfamilies.org.uk
Telephone: 01903 366 360
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www.reachingfamilies.org.uk

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