

Friday Flyer



Northchapel Primary School and Little Oaks Pre-school

SAFE KIND READY

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Future Key Dates

Remembrance—11th November
Children in Need Day—Wear Spots for £1 donation & Virtual Talent Show
Week commencing 23rd November—Parent/ Teacher consultations

Mon 9th Nov	Tue 10th Nov	Wed 11th Nov	Thu 12th Nov	Fri 13th Nov
3.00pm Gym Club-		Remembrance Day		Children in Need Virtual
Dragonfly class		3.00pm Archery club		Talent show
		Grasshopper class		Wear spots for £1 donation

NEWS FROM THE HEAD:

Hello

I couldn't believe when I heard it that BBC Children in Need will be celebrating 40 years of raising money next week. I am proud to say that we will be joining in again this year. Please can



children come to school next Friday wearing spots in honour of Pudsey Bear and donate a £1 to do so. We will also be sharing your children's talents via their videos. We would love to see them singing, dancing, performing magic tricks or telling jokes. Please post your video to your child's portfolio using the ClassDojo app—details of how to use it can be found here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vnfJDONJvCY

Anyone needing further assistance should contact their class teacher.

We would need to **receive them by the end of Wednesday 11th** so that teachers can access them in time to arrange that all classes will see the videos on the Friday afternoon. There will be a small prize for the winner in each class!

Assessment Week

Next week your child will be assessed in reading, writing, maths and phonics to see how well they are progressing this term. Please make sure that your child has early nights and good



breakfasts to ensure that they are alert and feeling their best everyday next week. Please also support your child by ensuring that they come to school everyday so that they do not miss out on the assessments. It is very difficult for children who then have to be taken out of the class separately at different times.

Covid—19 Guidance

Thank you for your support and understanding with the new drop off and pick up arrangements. The systems are working well and we thank you for your cooperation with

wearing masks on the school site to keep you and everyone else safe. I am pleased to announce that we do not have to make any other specific amendments in response to the new lockdown measures. Please remember in response to having to ventilate the classrooms at all times, children are now allowed to wear extra layers of clothing.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

Little Oaks:

"Look everyone it's a hot air balloon, come and see it!" Tilly, age 4, (on the climbing frame).

Caterpillar class:

"Apple and cake—yummy in my tummy."

Connor, age 5 (at Forest School)

Grasshopper class:

"I loved making sugar crystals as I love sugar" Evelyn, age 6

Dragonfly class:

"I liked doing maths and especially subtraction" Kacper, age 10

Attendance due to Covid -19

Anyone showing the symptoms must stay home and self isolate 10 days from the day that they tested positive, anyone else in the family must self isolate for 14 days.

Clinically extremely vulnerable children

More evidence has emerged that shows there is a very low risk of children becoming very unwell from coronavirus

(COVID-19), even for children with existing health conditions. Most children originally identified as clinically extremely vulnerable no longer need to follow original shielding advice. Parents should be advised to speak to their child's GP or specialist clinician if they have not already done so, to understand whether their child should still be classed as clinically extremely vulnerable.

Those children whose doctors have confirmed they are still clinically extremely vulnerable are advised not to attend education

whilst the national restrictions are in place. Schools will need to make appropriate arrangements to enable them to continue their education at home.

Children who live with someone who is clinically extremely vulnerable, but who are not clinically extremely vulnerable themselves, should still attend education.

Parents of clinically extremely vulnerable children will be receiving a letter shortly confirming this advice.

Local Park

Please can I remind you of your responsibility when using the local playground. The outdoor rules apply, so one household can only meet one other



LITTLE OAKS NEWS

The children at Little Oaks have been fascinated by magnets this week. They really enjoyed using large magnets to pick up nuts and bolts in the tray outside. Some of them worked on developing their fine motor skills by screwing the nuts and bolts together. A tricky task for young children! Indoors they used magnetic letters to find the letters of their names and a few of our older children have been making great progress in writing their names too.

We have done lots of singing and dancing this week and it has been so lovely to see even our youngest children joining in with the songs and actions.. Sharon

person when using this space. Please look out for Parish Council guidance on this also.

Childcare Bubbles

We continue to offer Elm Club, Gymnastics and Archery Clubs to enable parents to be able to work or extend their time for looking for work. Clubs will run from 3–4:15pm. Elm club hours will stay the same.

There are several ways that parents and carers can continue to access childcare during the national restrictions:

- Early years settings and childminders remain open, and you can continue to use these settings as normal
- You can access other childcare activities (including wraparound care) where reasonably necessary to enable parents to work, seek work, attend education or training, or for the purposes of respite care for carers
- Nannies will be able to continue to provide services, including in the home
- Parents are able to form a childcare bubble with one other household for the purposes of informal childcare, where the child is 13 or under
- Some households will also be able to benefit from being in a support bubble, which allows single adult households to join

Some youth services are able to continue, such as 1-1 youth work and support groups, but most youth clubs and groups will need to cease for this period.

Other News

We would like to update you on news of the future of our lovely community school. In response to advice from West Sussex County Council, the Governing Body and the Leadership Team are continuing to develop plans to secure the school's future financially. To bring our school in line with other schools of a similar size, we have begun to plan to restructure staffing levels here at Northchapel. We wish to assure you that that your children's interests, education and wellbeing are at the heart of our plans, together with supporting our staff through this period of change. Anyone, who feels that they wish to discuss this further please contact the office to make an appointment with myself.

In the meantime, if you would like to help support the school and know anyone who is looking for a place for their child in Reception in September 2021 or any other year groups, please guide them to our website where they can see our short promotional video

https://vimeo.com/366458265

You will find a flyer attached with this newsletter today. Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 restrictions we are not accepting visitors at this time.

I appreciate that this is a lot of formal information to share this week, next week I look forward to sharing the fun and laughter of our talent show!. Have a good weekend all and enjoy the autumn air. What a lovely area we have to enjoy the outdoors in!

Deborah Coggin

PTA NEWS

What a fantastic **Halloween Pumpkin Trail** we had during half term! We hope you enjoyed spotting the various spooky decorations around the village while the kids enjoyed their treats – massive thank you to the 'Pumpkin Team' at PTA HQ for organising such a fun event. We managed to raise £265, so a big thank you to all who participated There are just a few days left to get your **Christmas Card Design sheets** back to school – the deadline is next **Wednesday 11**th **November**, so please send your child's/children's designs back to school with payment by then. We cannot accept late returns, sorry.

Save the date: Christmas Card Designs returned to school by: 11th November

Easyfundraising Deal of the Week: Iceland online – 2.5% donation for new customers, plus 50% sale OUR AMAZON SMILE LINK: https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1103225-0 USE IT. SAVE IT. SHARE IT!

Lottery Winner: Sharon Tracey £6.90 www.yourschoollottery.co.uk

BE IN IT TO WIN IT AND FUNDRAISE FOR THE SCHOOL AT THE SAME TIME!

A reminder that there are still spaces for Dragonfly Class members to join

the Gymnastics Club on Mondays after school until 4.15.

There are 6 sessions left (£36 to be paid by 16th November) directly to Ms Williams or to the office in a sealed envelope.

(Cost for the whole half-term was £42.00)

There are also spaces for Grasshopper Class members to join the Archery Club after school on Wednesdays. This also has 6 sessions still to run and the cost is £33. This can be paid by BACS directly to SCS - 77-65-91 a/c no 02311560 with the ref North+ childs surname.

Alternatively a sealed envelope with cash with SCS written on it (No cheques).

(Cost for whole half-term £38.50)

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