

The Parkland Federation

Aim High, Work Hard, Dream Big

31st March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome to our final newsletter of Term 4. We have been exceptionally busy once again with our Science Week being a highlight from this term. The Planetarium was a hit with everyone who visited and the children learned so much. A very big thank you to FOPs for organising it for us.

The Easter bunny hopped in on Wednesday this week to deliver some chocolate treats as well as lead an Easter Egg Hunt around the school grounds. Thank you once again to the FOPs Team for organising such a lovely event for the children. It was very much enjoyed by everyone who took part.

We would like to wish all of our families a very happy Easter break and look forward to seeing you when we return on 17th April.































EYFS have had a wonderful week learning about 'The Gingerbread Man'. We have been baking and decorating our own Gingerbread. Luckily, none ran away! We have also been acting out the story using puppets and made Easter bonnets. On top of that, we have been learning about the Easter story. We LOVED the Easter egg hunt with the bunny! Thank you FOPS!

In Maths, we have been learning about different capacities and explored this in the water tray as well as making our own potions. It's been a lovely week! We hope you have a lovely Easter break.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Peyton (Kerr) & Jasper (Inkpen) and also to our Dojo winners Theo (Kerr) & Jack (Inkpen).





Year 1

Year 1 have had a busy few weeks working on their new book in English, 'Dear Polar Bear'. They learnt the features of a letter and even wrote their own one addressed to Polar Bear. They created some wonderful felt squares in their DT lessons which they designed themselves. They have also been creating palm tree leaves in RE and have been thinking about how they would welcome a special person.

The children had a very exciting visit from the Easter Bunny on Wednesday and took part in an Easter egg hunt on the playground! We hope you all have a wonderful Easter break.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Milo & Mollie (Donaldson), Chloe & Daniel B (Blake) and also to our Dojo winners Daniel L & Franco (Donaldson), & Forrest & Daniel B (Blake).

Year 2

Happy Easter to our Year 2 families! This term has been a whirlwind of activity where the children have been immersed in their learning about The Great Fire of London. We have designed fire engines in Design & Technology after learning about the creation of the fire service after the Great Fire. We have explored the work of Samuel Pepys and even wrote our own diary entry. In consolidated have our multiplication, extending our knowledge into division of 10's, 2's and 5's.

During RE, we have learned about the Easter Story and have had enriching assemblies provided by The Spinnaker Trust to bring the Easter story to life.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Lillie and Logan (Beaty) & Rose and Honey (Santat) and also to our Dojo winners Alex and Cody A (Beaty) & Fin and Yasmin R (Santat).









Year 3

Year 3 have had an explosive term continuing our Extreme Earth topic. We have explored non fiction texts in English and created Tsunami warning posters in Geography. We have been learning all about fractions in maths and have explored healthy living during PSHE.. Our weekly swimming sessions have been a huge success and will continue for 2 weeks after the Easter break.

Our Extreme Earth topic came to a close with a DT project using pneumatics. The children all made their own working Earthquake!

Happy Easter, Year 3.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Amelia & Claire (Woodson) and Sienna and Ifei (Harrison) and also to our Dojo winners Caiden & Olivia (Woodson) Jack and Ruby (Harrison)







Year 4

As part of British Science Week. Year 4 were hard at work making their very own bottle rockets! Using a fuel source and a method of propelling the bottle upwards, the children were able to make two litre bottles fly! The children really enjoyed the investigation, as did an absolutely drenched Mr Thrower! A lot of fun was had and the bottle rockets flew a great distance! Year 4 were very grateful for a visit from Sam and Chrissy, who came to school to talk all about the Easter story. Sam took the role of John, one of Jesus' disciples, and answered questions in role to explain all about the Easter story. The children took the role of journalists and reported on the Easter story, interviewing one another to get information all about Easter. Some amazing headlines were written, as well as some brilliant reporting skills - well done, Year 4! Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Zachary & Isobel (Blackman) Faith and David (Walliams) and also to our Dojo winners: Abigail & Jayden (Blackman) Frankie and Logan S (Walliams)

Year 5

Year 5 had a fantastic visit from Portals to the Past and were able to learn all about the Anglo Saxons and Vikings. They were able to handle lots of exciting artifacts from that time period, as well as take part in a quiz and a game that the Anglo Saxons used to play. To finish the day, the children were taught how to fight in a battle between the Anglo Saxons and Vikings. I am sure they could be heard throughout the school! In DT, the children made their very own baskets using the technique of weaving - just as they would have done in the Anglo-Saxon period. We were very proud of their resilience and perseverance! We enjoyed a visit from the planetarium and loved learning more facts about Space!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Casey and Ethan (5 Wilson), Beth and Desaine (5 Zephaniah) and also to our Dojo winners Ruben and Carol (5 Wilson), Ethan and Amelia (5 Zephaniah).







Year 6

During Science week, Year 6 had a busy afternoon investigating fingerprints. The children printed their fingerprints using different media before analysing them, noticing how individual each one was. On Friday afternoon, we were transported into space where we travelled from planet to planet as well as coming frighteningly close to the Sun. It was an incredible experience! As it was neurodiversity week, the children spent time understanding what this meant and how to empathize with others. They created some wonderful posters to celebrate the importance of the week! After a busy final week of the term completing mock SATs assessments, the children ended the week by creating Mayan masks from clay and cooking up a tasty chilli treat! Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Sophia and Nevaeh (Rosen) Ebony (Mian) and also to our Dojo winners Jesse (Rosen) and all of Rosen Class and Poppy (Mian).

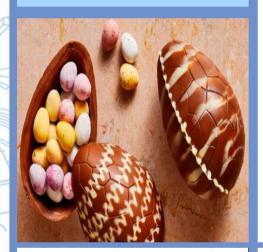
This week's Attendance:

Excellent attendance at school allows a child to have the best possible start in life. All pupils should aim for at least 97% attendance in order to ensure they do not miss out on their education.

Inkpen Class (YR)	Kerr Class (YR)	Blake Class (Y1)
95%	94%	96%
Donaldson Class (Y1)	Santat Class (Y2)	Beaty Class (Y2)
92%	95%	97%
Harrison Class (Y3)	Woodson Class (Y3)	Walliams Class (Y4)
91%	96%	93%
Blackman Class (Y4)	Zephaniah Class (Y5)	Wilson Class (Y5)
96%	93%	96%
Mian Class (Y6) 97%	Rosen Class (Y6) 92%	The Highest Attendance Award goes to Beaty and Mian class. Well done!











Eco Committee

Our **Eco tips** for the Easter holidays is to remember to recycle as much of your Easter wrappings as possible. Here is some guidance...

- Cardboard: A lot of Easter egg packaging is made of cardboard, and this can go straight into the recycling bin. Try to collapse boxes down first.
- Foil: If your Easter egg has foil, scrunch it into a ball before putting it into the recycling bin. This helps to stop little bits getting lost in the recycling process. If it's dirty (has chocolate on it) clean it first to prevent contaminating the other bits of recycling.
- Plastic: Most plastic can be recycled in the UK, but it's always best to check the label first. Individual chocolate/sweet wrappings, plastic films and windows generally can't be recycled. And again, clean it off if it has food on it.

Next term we are planning on having another 'Switch off Friday', more details to follow!

School Council

Our Junior **Citizen of the Fortnight** this week is Brody (Walliams class) for helping others and being a good role model! Well done, Brody!

Our Infant **Citizen of the Fortnight** this week is Grace (Kerr) for always being a role model to others.

BRAVO!

Online Safety

The Internet Watch Foundation has some useful information to support you to ensure your child stays safe online. Please take a look at the following link which has a useful downloadable checklist for parents.



https://talk.iwf.org.uk/

Please also remember that if your child has a device (mobile phone, tablet etc), it is important that you are checking this regularly to ensure appropriate use of search engines, messaging platforms and photos/videos.



Operation Encompass

We are part of the Operation Encompass Partnership, working with local police to ensure we have timely information that might help us support children. Please click on the following link for more information

https://www.operationencompass.org/



This is an Operation Encompass School





A **MASSIVE** well done and thank you to these wonderful ladies who are about to embark on covering 30 miles over the course of April. This is to raise vital funds for Breast Cancer Now, a charity committed to research in order to provide life changing care. If you would like to donate, please follow the link below or use the QR code. We will keep you updated with their progress in the next newsletter. Parkland Breast Cancer Now Just Giving Page Link

Sports Person of the Term

Congratulations to our fabolous sports people of the term. Phoenix from the Junior School and Rory from the Infant School have been nominated as a result of their exceptional performance and attitudes demonstrated during all PE sessions. Thank you for being such incredible role models for both of our schools. We are really lucky to have you to promote PE as well as being such an inspiration to your peers. Congratulations and well done!





Scientists of the Term

Congratulations to Rudy in Santat for being the Scientist of the Term in the Infant school. Miss Wilson says that you are always showing great enthusiasm during science and use the correct scientific vocabulary while learning!

In the Junior School, are top scientist is Bobby in Zephaniah. Mrs Bedi says you have shown great knowledge and understanding in the materials topic. Bravo!

Well done to both of our Science Stars!





Mental Health and Wellbeing Support



Support for Parents



As part of our pastoral provision, we are incredibly lucky to have a Family Liaison Officer, Dawn Wingett. Dawn is a qualified Triple P Practitioner for the Positive Parenting Programme. She works in the home as well as in school with parents to address any difficulties they have with their children using the Triple P approach. With many years of experience, she supports parents with housing issues, mental health concerns, behaviour at home (including sleeping and eating habits) and can sign post to external agencies as and when needed.

Dawn also holds informal termly coffee mornings in our Dahl Studio.

If you feel you would benefit from Dawn's support, please

feel free to contact alison.das@swale.at for further information.

Holding Space

Holding space is a local charity, based in the centre of Eastbourne who are there to support parents whose children are suffering from mental health difficulties. It is run by parents who have been on the journey. They offer a safe space where you can connect, talk, share and be supported. As they say, it is a `non judgemental place where you can know it's ok to not be ok.`

You can contact Holding Space directly, but please feel free to contact <u>alison.das@swale.at</u> if you would like to find out more about how support you.

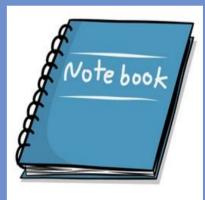
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Important Dates of NFORMATION

Diary Dates

17th April	First day of Term 5	
28th April	EYFS Vision tests plus Heights, Weights & Measures - please make sure you register on the parent portal	
8th May	School Closed - Bank Holiday	
9th May - 12th May	Year 6 SATS - good luck Year 6. You are wished all the best.	
18th May	Class Photos - Van Cols Photographers	
26th May & 5th June	INSET DAYS	













Beach School East Sussex Easter Holiday Club



Thursday 13th April and/or Friday 14th April 2023

10am - 2pm

Aged 5-11

Cost: £28 per child, siblings £24

Holywell, Eastbourne







scavenger hunts | rock pooling | arts & crafts mini shelters | mindfulness | marine museums games | drama | Easter treats

beachschooles@gmail.com | Tel: 07933-761389





hosted by St Peter's Bingo Club

Saturday 1st April 11am - 3pm

Raffle, Tombola, Cakes, Crafts, and many other stalls! FREE Soup & bacon/sausage rolls and other refreshments available!

in aid of The Children with Cancer Fund and our work in the community









Join us this school holiday for free food and fun!

Enjoy a tasty and healthy meal together and have fun joining in with a range of activities such as crafting, table games, sensory play, sports, dancing and cooking.

Monday 3rd April, 2.30pm to 5.30pm - offering dinner

Thursday 6th April, 11.30am to 2.30pm - offering lunch

Tuesday 11th April, 2.30pm to 5.30pm - offering dinner

Thursday 13th April, 11.30am to 2.30pm - offering lunch

FREE FOR EVERYONE

Contact us to book your places or book online at: https://eequ.org/thetreescommunityassociation

Please do contact us at the Centre if you need help making your booking



Willingdon Trees Community Centre, Holly Place, Eastbourne, BN22 OUT

T: 01323 504438. E-mail: eastbourne@sussexcommunity.org.uk

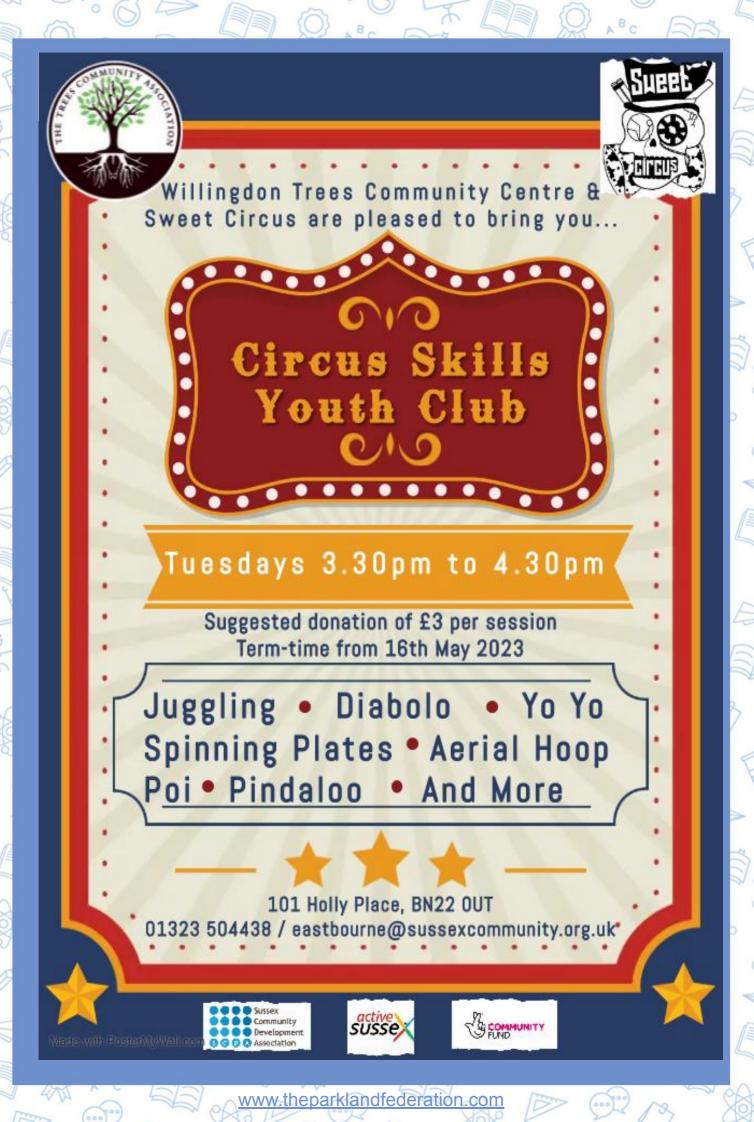


Places are limited and advance booking is essential.

Children under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.









Willingdon Trees Community Centre- Eastbourne Mondays
17th April -22nd
May 2023
1pm-3pm

Join us for 6 weeks of Music Makers.

Have fun with different ideas to support a range of musical experiences. We'll be singing, moving & painting to different music plus making & playing our own instruments and lots more.... Places are free to book your space email families@sussexcommunity.org.uk or ring or text 07796 869 402. See you there :-)











Willingdon Trees Community Centre - Eastbourne

THURSDAYS

20TH APRIL TO 25TH MAY 2023

10AM - 12PM

A course designed for you to get to know your garden and bring your child into the wonderful world of playing and planting. Learn how to bring family fun to gardening, and meet other outdoor loving families

Sussex Community Development Association

along the way!

It's FREE but you still need to tell us you're coming! Email:families@sussexcommunity.org.uk Phone or text 07796 869 402 or 01273517250 Places limited book today!