



Friday Flyer : News

Friday 14th July 2017

Do remember ...

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<http://graffhamanddunton.w-sussex.sch.uk/newsletters-the-friday-flyer>

DO REMEMBER the Graffham Flower Show is **TOMORROW**, Saturday July 15th.
If your child has grown a pot of nasturtiums for the competition,
please take your pot to the Empire Hall **by 10am on Saturday.**

The School Council Mini Fete - Mr Beer writes :

A BIG thank you to everyone who donated toys to the School Council Mini-Fete on Monday and thank you to all those who brought money to spend. We raised £153 after expenses, and this money will be used towards the cost of the new lockers which the School Council have bought.

Particular thanks go to Angela Tysoe (Tristan's mum) for devising the Smoothie recipes, shopping for the ingredients and making them at the fete and to Anna Shawcross for her help running that stall. Many thanks to the Year 6 children who helped with the set up and to the Year 5 children who set up, ran the stalls and cleared away at the end. I am also very grateful to Mrs Mel Bates (Archie and Lawrence's mum) and Mrs Jo Thorne who volunteered to help with the clear up.

The current Year 6 are really enjoying having their own locker and I have already had requests from children who'd like to have them lower down the school.

Congratulations to Tom Mather whose ticket was drawn out and who gets to adopt the snuggly bear puppet.



Mrs Martin writes :
"Thank you very much Mr Beer for all your hard work in masterminding this lovely event!"

What a lovely evening for the Summer Performance!

Thank you to everyone who joined us, congratulations to the children who all performed so beautifully and well done to our super-hardworking staff who pulled it all together!



Year 6 Reflections on the Summer Performance

Freya: This year's summer performance will be remembered. I had lots of fun practising and performing it. Not only was it a fun thing to do on the evening. It was a great time with my friends.

Charlie: I really enjoyed the summer performance, however I was quite nervous. It was the last summer performance for me.

Oliver: I found it enjoyable and exciting. I loved performing my rap with Micah and Ewen.

Nathan: Last night was terrifying, when on stage and amazing when you were not! My favourite part was the Cha Cha Slide.

Izzy: The night of the summer performance was unforgettable. I overcame my nerves of speaking in front of crowds. We spent days practising and personally I think it was a successful show.

Micah: Last night was a fun occasion. I was nervous at points, but it will be something I always remember.

Sonny: Last night was really fun but a bit difficult to talk in front of everybody. We also did the Cha Cha Slide.

Tilly: Last night was the year 6's last summer performance as we move to secondary school. We did a variety of different acts, that all relate to hope, peace and kindness. I really enjoyed everything and we all had loads of fun.

Ewen: Amazing rainbow of peace. I loved the thousands of balloons and seeing the old year 6 Dunctonians.

Arabella: Last night was a special memory moment, which I know I will remember for ever. The atmosphere and theme was so peaceful, lovely and calming, which I will also remember. I loved how we all joined together as one, to create a beautiful time.

Ollie: The summer performance was an amazing experience and one I will remember forever. I loved performing my piano piece and the poem.

Felix: Last night, I loved the Cha Cha slide and the ice-cream!

Joseph: I really enjoyed last night at the summer performance. I was nervous about introducing my group's piece.

Rosalind: Last night was a memory I will always remember. I loved every moment of the performance.

Luke: The atmosphere last night was brilliant and something I really enjoyed was the guitar.

Last Monday, during Federation Day, a photographer joined us to take a picture of the whole school together.

We are still working on selecting the best images - next week we will tell you how you can buy a digital copy of these images (probably on a small memory stick) to print or display as you wish.

Meanwhile : here we all are, getting ready to be snapped!

We love the more informal look to our school photo this year : very 'us' !



A new morning routine from September

From September we will be changing our morning routine at both Graffham and Duncton schools.

All children will be able to come straight into school at **8.45am** to start their learning. This means there will not be a member of staff on duty in the playground, so parents will be responsible for their children until they come into school.

Children must be in school no later than 9.00am

Let's work together on improving our punctuality!

After School Childcare at Graffham

Treetops Clubs are going to start running an after-school club at Graffham next term. It will not start at the beginning of term as they have to register with Ofsted and this takes 12 weeks. So the starting date will be **Monday 25th September**. The club will run from Monday to Thursday each week running from 3:00 to 4:30 or 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Duncton pupils will be able to join the club from the minibus drop off at 3:30 p.m. There was little demand for a club on Friday afternoon, however, we will review this regularly and if there is sufficient need, the club will be expanded to 5 days a week.

These are the prices that Treetops will be charging. There is a 5% discount for siblings and childcare vouchers can be used to pay for the club.

Children	Timing	Cost
Graffham	3:00 to 4:30 p.m.	£7.50
Duncton	3:30 to 4:30 p.m.	£6.50
Graffham	3:00 to 6:00 p.m.	£12:50
Duncton	3:30 to 6:00 p.m.	£11.00

If your child is already registered with Treetops, they will not need to register again. Those children who have not been registered with Treetops will need to pay a £5 initial registration fee.

We will send out details on how to register your child/ren and how to book places in early September. If you think that your child will be an occasional user of the club, then you should register them with Treetops (see website, www.treetopsclubs.co.uk). We want to be as flexible as possible, so if your child is registered and for any reason you are unable to collect your child at the normal pick up time on a certain day, then they could join the club on that day.

**** **NURSERY SPACES AVAILABLE** ****

We currently have a few places available at Graffham Nursery starting from September 2017. If you are interested in a place or know someone who might be, then we would love to hear from you. Please contact us on 01798 867324 or email at nursery@graffhaminfant.org.uk. Don't miss out! Enquire now. Please spread the word to family and friends!

Joseph Steyn's Walk for Parkinson's



In the sweltering heat last Sunday, Joseph completed a 4.5 mile sponsored walk with his grandma, to help raise awareness and funds for Parkinson's research.

He has already raised £160 of his £355 target! If you would like to help him reach his sponsorship target and raise money for a very worthwhile charity, you can sponsor him via his justgiving page below.

https://www.justgiving.com/Joseph-Steyn?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraisingpage&utm_content=Joseph-Steyn&utm_campaign=pfp-email

LOST PROPERTY

As usual at the end of the year we have LOTS of lost property filling up the corridors! From next week (providing the weather is fine) we will put a table outside and we urge you to take a look and reclaim any items that belong to you.

Anything still left at the end of term will be put aside to go in the next 'Bags of Support' collection.

My name is Angela Tysoe (Tristan's mum in Y5 Kestrels) I am looking to raise awareness of using recyclable natural things in our every day lives and teaching our children about the importance of this. I would like to take a series of photographs of old plastic toothbrushes, I am looking for 100 or so just to make it powerful and make people think about the environmental impact.

I am asking for all the families of Duncton & Graffham schools to donate any old plastic toothbrushes they may have lingering under the sink. I can then start my photographic project in the summer. As a thank you, I would like to hold a raffle for the winner to win a pack of four bamboo toothbrushes, these can be medium or soft brushes or a mix (worth £12.99).

Please bring your old toothbrushes in a bag with a note stating your name and email address (to be used for the raffle) and also comment if you are interested in seeing the results or want to find out more. Drop them off to either of the school offices by Tuesday 18th July 2017. Thank you in advance. Angela
amtysoe@gmail.com



Reminder : the school lottery is now open for ticket sales

See this week's 'Additional flyers' attachment for more information about the 'Friends of Graffham and Duncton' school lottery - or check out this link :

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/graffham-infant-and-duncton-junior-schools>

With this week's Friday Flyer there is a bumper crop of information posters in our separate 'flyers' attachment. Do make sure you take a look, to find information on

- summer holiday activities (**netball** and **football** camps in the local area)
- **Graffham Food Festival** - which takes place next week
- A '**space**' festival coming up soon at Chichester University
- Graffham's ever-popular **Tennis Week** from 29th July - lots of fun events (not just tennis!) for all the family to join in - and there are still spaces available for junior tennis coaching
- The library's **Summer Reading Challenge**
- **Madhurst**, coming up at the end of the summer holiday
- **The Graffham run**, a new challenge for runners planned for September

Friends of Graffham & Duncton Postings - 14th July

A massive thank you to all who came and supported the Friends of Graffham & Duncton last night - we raised over **£2,000** between the BBQ, bar, silent auction and Pimms hamper raffle which is simply amazing. These funds go directly back into school either to buy new teaching resources, or to help send the children on their wonderful trips.

A well done goes to Sonja Smithers who won the Pimms Hamper!



****Cake Raffle News****



A massive thank you to Fran Batten who baked this wonderful cake for Graffham, and congratulations to Isla-Rose Batten (Year 1) who won it straight back! (A big thank you Fran for slicing it up so everyone could have a bit x)

And a really huge thank you to Lorna Wright and her team of helpers (Evie, Freya and Liz) for baking this wonderful cake for Duncton! A big well done to Tom Mather (Year 3) for winning. Now we also had crossed wires, so thank you goes to Ruth Boulton for also baking gorgeous brownies - well done to Evie Moore (Year 4) for winning!



Like and follow these Facebook pages to keep completely up to date with everything that's going on in our Federation!

Friends of Graffham and Duncton

<https://www.facebook.com/friendsofgraffhamandduncton>

Graffham and Duncton Parents - a closed group specifically for parents.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/425147974318865/>

Graffham Nursery

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=graftam%20nursery>

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