

Friday 20th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another great week at both schools and we have all enjoyed ourselves outside in the glorious weather. We had special SPLASH assemblies where our visitors reminded us of the importance of being faithful friends and not letting each other down when we have made promises or commitments.

Today, I have been with Kestrel class (Years 3 and 4) to West's Wood Fair where we had a lovely time including going on a tractor ride in the woods, having a forest school session which included den building, fire making and toasting marshmallows and we also played crazy croquet with giant wooden mallets and balls.

I'd like to wish you all a happy long weekend as we have our INSET day on Monday when staff will have emergency first aid at work training.



Best wishes, Charles Beckerson

Next Week						
Monday 23rd June	INSET DAY					
Wednesday 25th June	Transition Morning 2 - New Reception Intake & current Year 2s to start at Duncton School	nt More details to follow				
Wednesday 25th June	Year 6 Leavers Service @ Chichester Cathedral 10.30am	All Y6 Parents are invited to come along to this service				
Friday 27 th June Year 6 Annual Pop-Up Fiver Market and NSPCC Childhood Mile.		Duncton children during school day. Please bring a few pounds to spend at the market. All profits to go to NSPCC and Cancer Research.				
	Future Dates					
Wednesday 2 nd July	ednesday 2 nd July Transition Morning 3 – For ALL children More New Reception Intake & current Year 2s to start at Duncton School					
Thursday 3 rd July	Re-Scheduled DUNCTON SPORTS AFTERNOON	Please join un from 1.15 for our sports day, there will be refreshments available by the FGD				

Tuesday 15 th July	iRock concert @Duncton School 2.30pm	iRock parents invited	
Wednesday 16 th July	School reports emailed out to all parents	Please do let the office know if you would like a paper copy sent home.	
Thursday 17 th July	SEND Tea and Chat with Callie Reid@ Duncton School 2.30-3.15pm Please see information below	Supporting parents over the summer holidays and transitioning	
Friday 18 th July	Dress rehearsal for the summer performance! Summer performance for all children @ Duncton 5.30pm	Can all Graffham children come straight to Duncton in the morning please - we will take them back to Graffham for lunch in the Minibus. Normal end of day. Please put this date in your diaries. Grandparents are also invited.	
Tuesday 22 nd July	Last day of term		

*New dates/additions are in GREEN

INSET DAYS 2025-26 Wednesday 3rd September 2025 Monday 3rd November 2025 Monday 5th January 2026 Friday 27th March 2026 Wednesday 22nd July 2026 TERM DATES Autumn term 2025 Starts: Wednesday 3 September Half term: Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October					
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Ends: Friday 19 December					
Spring term 2026					
Starts: Monday 5 January					
Half term: Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February					
Ends: Friday 27 March					
Summer term 2026					
Starts: Monday 13 April					
Half term: Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May					
Ends: Wednesday 22 July					

NOTICES

- We have another couple of children with *headlice at Graffham* this week. Please could we ask everyone to check and where necessary, treat their children's hair over the long weekend.
- We are looking for some *long cardboard boxes* (over 1 metre long) to make some props for our Summer Performance. If you have any, please pop them into the school at Graffham.

Thank you!

Year 3 Ice Cream Café — Wednesday 25th June



As part of their current topic on Ice Cream, Year 3 have been learning how to order and serve ice cream in French. To celebrate their learning, they will be opening a special Ice Cream Café on the afternoon of Wednesday 25th June for the children in Years 4, 5 and 6. This will be a fun opportunity for Year 3 to practise their French in a real-life context, develop their communication and teamwork skills, and share their work with the wider school.

To help cover the cost of the ice cream, we kindly ask for a small contribution of £1 per child (for all children in KS2). We look forward to a fun afternoon and seeing the children put their learning into action!

Wrens Class Years R and 1

Our amazing class have collected another 30 marbles in our pot for amazing work and behaviour! Ice cream was the delicious treat that we all enjoyed on Wednesday. This week we've been all working on writing and making a class minibeast fact book. Each child has a page to illustrate and write facts about their chosen insect. We've also been creating tye dye butterflies and Wild Wednesday was spent doing yoga and making worry dolls. On Thursday, Wren class spent the morning in their new class working with Mr Lloyd, Mrs Z, Miss Cece and Mrs Kenway

while the new reception children were in Wren class settling in.



Have a fabulous weekend and stay cool.





Kingfisher Class Years 1 and 2

In Kingfisher class this week we're starting to think about our summer performance so there's been lots of singing and chatting about all the things we love about summer and the school. We've revisited some work about place value as a whole class and everyone in year 1 and 2 has worked hard on composing some poetry around minibeasts. Alongside that we've looked at life cycles, especially thinking about the lifecycle of local butterflies. We're all looking forward to a weekend in the sun. Stay cool everyone!



Kestrel Class Year 3 and 4

On Monday morning, we made pink lemonade by juicing lemons, crushing raspberries, dissolving sugar and mixing with water. It was a tangy, sweet, refreshing drink! We then met Henry the Hedgehog and we also met a baby hedgehog, she was so cute and kept squeaking.

We have been following Philleas Fogg's adventure around the world and this week we visited Italy and Egypt. We learned that Italy makes lots of delicious foods like pizza,

pasta and risotto and they grow grapes to make wine. We also learned about the Pyramids of Giza, Suez Canal and the Sphinx. Did you know that the Sphinx in Egypt's nose and beard have gone missing?

Year 3 had their first forest school session this week and today we have been on our trip to West Wood's fair, which we will report about next week.

Peregrine Class Year 5 and 6 by Amelia L, Amelia S and Maud

We have had a busy week, enjoying the lovely weather and being outdoors. On Monday year 6 baked cupcakes for maths. They sold them on Tuesday to raise money for The Sanctuary in Chichester, as part of Refugee Week. We raised £ 62.00. Thank you so much for all the donations.

On Monday afternoon, hedgehogs came to visit. It was lovely to see them and learn some facts. We found out that hedgehogs have about 5000 quills and are lactose intolerant.

We enjoyed exploring Mayan Gods and the creation story. We created our own Gods. In art we are making clay pots inspired by the Maya.

On Thursday Year 5 went to MRC for an inter-school sports event. It was a really fun day with many different activities.

Year 6 have spent this week working on their Fiver challenge in readiness for the Pop-Up market next Friday. They have been practicing for the leaver's service at Chichester Cathedral next Wednesday.

We are all busy creating poetry, music and dance for the Summer Performance. Happy Long Weekend!



Life Jackets



Following on from the visit from Peter Faulding last year to Duncton, who gave his important water safety talk and the donation of life jackets for families to borrow. Now with the weather becoming warmer and families might start to make visits to beaches and lakes, we wanted to remind you all, that we have brand new life jackets of different sizes for your children to borrow.

If you would like to borrow a life jacket for an upcoming activity in or on the water, or even a holiday, please do contact either office, who will be more than happy to lend you a one.













Cake Raffle				
	Polly Pannell (mum to Lottie \oint Liam in Yrs $\mathbb{R} \oint$ 3) went old school this week by baking this iced cake for us at Graffham – thank you! It looked so good this morning, that Lottie decided to enter the Cake raffle herself and she was super lucky to win it back. Enjoy it!			
	Thank you to the Lazaro family for bring Charlie the Chocolate Cake in for the Cake raffle at Duncton. Our lucky winner this week who is going to be enjoying it over the weekend is Woody.			

Reverend Vivien writes:

We talked about disciples in our church assembly last week, someone learning how to live well by following the example of a good teacher, like Jesus. We can be like Jesus' disciples too when we follow his story and allow it to help us live well. When Jesus was born at Christmas and the shepherds and angels and kings realised Jesus was very special. When Jesus went about teaching and healing people and showing what God means, with his disciples following and learning from him. When people didn't like Jesus doing this and made him die on a cross, making the disciples sad. When Jesus was amazingly alive again, making them happy. And when Jesus went to be with Father God in heaven. Then Jesus' disciples were happy for Jesus, but sad for themselves, because they didn't have their teacher to learn from anymore and they missed him because they loved him. Then something amazing happened to them. Jesus gave the disciples a special gift from heaven. It was so exciting it felt like a rushing wind in the room and tongues like fire resting on them. It was his Spirit, the energy that made Jesus special. Instead of feeling sad and lonely, now the disciples felt full of energy and hope and excitement. It felt like Jesus was inside them, helping them to show people what God means and how to live well. So, they did this, and more and more people discovered the power of Jesus Holy Spirit to understand what God means and how to live well, right up until today. This is the special time of the year to think about Jesus' Holy Spirit. We put red things in the church, the colour of fire the gift of Holy Spirit felt like when they were inspired by it. We looked at the red things we could see, including Reverend Vivien's red robe which she had put on to show us. We can pray for Jesus' gift of Holy Spirit to be with us too, helping us to show people what God means and how to live well.



FAMILY FRIDAYS are back at Graffham Rec

Dear Graffham and friends,

Come and join us every other Friday through midsummer – to connect, chat and relax in good company with some communal childcare.

Bring a blanket, picnic dinner, stuff for the BBQ (coals will be hot from 5pm), good Dad jokes - and sunshine!

The pavilion bar will be open for refreshments and it's club night for Graffham Tennis Club, so don't forget your rackets.

We would love to hear from you, so do let us know if you are thinking of coming. Any thoughts and ideas are most welcome.

13 and 27 June, 11 July

We hope to see you there!

4-8pm

For further information etc, email graffhamrecpavilion@gmail.com

PLAYGROUND 50TH ANNIVERSARY ARTY IN THE PARK LIVE MUSIC FEATURING 60'S SHOWBAND UPERSONIC OUL

SUPPORTED BY LOCAL YOUNG TALENT VARIETY PERFORMANCE

GAMES - SILENT AUCTION - BAR - BBQ TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE UNICORN INCLUDES ENTRANCE & FOOD

19TH JULY 4PM START

COME AND ENJOY FANTASTIC EVENING OF MUSIC, FOOD AND DRINK Heyshott playground

TICKETS £15PP IN ADVANCE £17.50 ON THE DOOR CHILDREN UNDER 12 £10 IN ADVANCE £12.50 ON THE DOOR UNDER 5'S FREE ENTRANCE £5 WITHOUT FOOD

POP-UP ART EXHIBITION

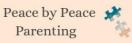
WEDNESDAY 16 to SATURDAY 19 JULY 10:00PM - 5:00PM EACH DAY FITTLEWORTH VILLAGE HALL RH20 1JB





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A Conscious Parenting Approach

Fridy June 27th 11am - 1pm The Old Library, Midhurst £30 - please book a space

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- Nurture empathy and emotional awareness
- Understand boys' unique needs and the stages of development of healthy masculinity
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	Age	Time	Price		 9.30 am 10 am – 12.30 pm 	Coffee & Bacon butties Mixed Doubles	
	YrR – Yr2 Yr3 – Yr4	9.30 - 10.30am 10.30 - 11.30am	£28.50 (non members £31.50) £28.50 (non members £31.50)	Sat 19 th July	 1pm 2pm 	Mixed Doubles final Parent and Kids 2 wicket cricket match Pavilion Bar Open / Bring Picnics	
U	Yr4 – Yr6	12.00 - 1.00pm	£28.50 (non members £31.50)				
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Ŭ	play, fun games and a mini tournament. Now open to non members!			Tue 22 nd July Wed 23 rd July	 4.30pm - 6pm 9.30am - 2pm 6.30pm 	Graffham v Rogate Juniors match Junior/Academy Coaching Ladies B Doubles Hampshire League Match vs Fernhurst	
D	To book a place on this course or for more information please get in touch			Thu 24 th July	 9.30am - 2pm 6.00pm - 8:00pm 6.00pm - 7.30pm 	Junior/Academy Coaching Men's Team vs Haslemere C Games Night including Volleyball, Table Tennis, Croquet, Boule	
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