

## IMPORTANT DATES

TERM FIVE 2014

NEW DATES ADDED TO CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTED IN BOLD

4th April	INSET Day
22nd April	First Day of Term 5 Please ensure all children bring their PE kit in and keep the bag in school all week.
24th April	1.20pm PTFA Summer Fayre Planning Meeting in the Hall
26th April	10am-12.00 noon Framfield Market
28th April	RNLI Assembly, all welcome
29th April	9.10am Eagles Indian Dance Celebration Assembly. Parents welcome to come back to the classroom afterwards to look at children's work.
30th April	VSA Football Tournament—Mr Sullivan, Blackboys to advise team.
12th-15th May	SATs Week for Year 6
18th May	PTFA Bear Hunt
21st May	Blackboys/Framfield Joint Day Trip to France for Year 6
23rd May	INSET Day
5th June	Village Schools Association Poetry Day, Ashdown Forest, Y4
11th June	VSA Swimming Gala, Crowborough postponed from 2nd April. Teams to be arranged.
12th June	Eagles to Book Award Final Event—letter to follow.
18th June	10.30 am Leavers Service at All Saints Church, Crowborough Key Stage 1 Top Play, UCTC—letter to follow
19th June	Top Sport UCTC—letter to follow
20th June	Safety in Action—Year 6
24th June	Uckfield Swimming Gala for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6—Letter to follow
26th June	Puffins to Road Safety Event in Uckfield
Saturday, 28th June	PTFA Summer Fayre
3rd July	1.15-3.30pm Sports Afternoon on Recreation Ground
23rd July	INSET Day

Class Teachers will inform you of any additional learning events as they arise.

# Framfield

## News

Week Ending

3rd April 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parent View is an online facility launched by Ofsted in October 2011 that allows parents and carers to give their views about their child's school.

Parents and carers can give their views of our school at any time of the school year *and* at the time of a school inspection using this online system. At the time of an inspection, you can refresh or resubmit your views and the facility will overwrite your previous response so that only one 'view' for each parent, per school, is held.

Please register with an email address and a password at <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>. Once your login has been activated, it only takes a few minutes to complete answers to 12 short questions about aspects such as bullying, the quality of teaching, level of homework, etc.

Your views are important in helping us make decisions about our school

and also help us know what is going well and what could be improved.

We would be very grateful if as many parents as possible could register and complete the questionnaire as soon as possible. We need a minimum of 11 families to register, but would like to see everyone involved.

If you do not have a computer or an email address *or* if you would like help to use Parent View, please come into school and ask at reception. We are always happy to help.

What a successful couple of terms 3 and 4 have been! Here are some of the super events that have taken place:

I am sure you enjoyed working with your children on all the activities that were introduced at the KS 1 and 2 workshops.

We hope you found all of the workshops that we have offered so far, including the anti-bullying presentation useful; we will be letting you know of further parent workshops in the future.

Road Safety Week was a tremendous success: many thanks to Mani Gilbert-King and Kate Graham from ESFS for their unstinting support and help and to Mrs Davies and Mrs Rabson-Stark for heading the project in school. As a result of your support, a petition has gone through to County Hall.

We have been fortunate enough to have Mark Potter from the Football Association leading curriculum PE lessons for our oldest pupils, and we look forward to him working with us next term in Breakfast and After-School clubs.

Book Week was very successful and really had the long-term impact we intended: thanks to all of you who supported the Sponsored Read and buying books; as a result we have nearly £1000 worth of new books from Usborne in our class-rooms—a real legacy! During that week, Roxy Toyne, winner of the BBC Radio 2 story competition, dropped off further books as a contribution and acknowledgment of her time with us here.

Peacocks have enjoyed their joint project with Blackboys: Penguins will never seem the same again! Earlier in the term, Puffins welcomed a visit from Horsham Museum for an Egyptian Artefact extravaganza. Pupils loved the experience and writing and art work of a high standard was seen in their assembly.

Thanks very much for the contributions from our fantastic PTFA. Eagles enjoyed a morning of learning traditional Indian Dance. They look forward to performing this at the start of the following term. We were all impressed by Kingfisher's class assembly and the fantastic learning that

**has taken place—well done everyone!!**

**There have been many successful sporting events throughout the term including Sport Relief Day and we hope to have many more competitions running throughout the Summer Term.**

#### **Governor Update**

We do hope it has been a good term for everyone and you will all have a relaxing Easter holiday.

At our most recent meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> March we spent a lot of time analysing the school's progress towards meeting the targets on the school development plan. This is a three year plan agreed with all staff and governors at the beginning of a school year and focuses on the key targets for the school, always with standards and progress of pupils at its heart. The school are looking at ways of enabling parents to become more involved in this process and we will keep you updated.

As in every governing body meeting pupil progress was presented to us by the school and was discussed.

Recently some parents have said they are not sure what the role of governors is, this information is now back on the website but to give you a better idea the following are quotes from the DfE website: The purpose of maintained school governing bodies is to 'conduct the school with a view to promoting high standards of educational achievement at the school.

"Governors are the strategic leaders of our schools and have a vital role to play in making sure every child gets the best possible education." We do this by being involved in development planning, monitoring progress and safeguarding and agreeing policies etc

We also visit the school formally and informally.

We also have a role in overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

It is important for us as governors to know how parents feel about the school, however we are not school managers and it is vital that you speak to members of staff if you have any concerns so they can be dealt with quickly and appropriately. You do have elected Parent Governors - Katharine Rabson-Stark and Sharon Remington, who are always happy to answer any governor related questions. Governors are represented at most school events and hope to get to know you better through these. We would also like to receive 'Your View' by clicking the link below: <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/parent-view-results/survey/result/10689/current>—see the start of this newsletter.

Please remember and support the Governor Quiz Night on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at 7.30 in the Memorial Hall. For further information, please see flyer attached.

Christine Hayler, Katharine Rabson - Stark, Sharon Remington (on behalf of governing body)

#### **Please Remember!**

Should you have any worry or concern, do come in to see your child's class-teacher. Should you need further advice, then Mrs Davies is always available and you are welcome to make an appointment to see her in the office. Should the matter remain unresolved, please ensure you pop in and make an appointment with Mrs King.

#### **Effort Awards—28th March**

##### *Peacocks*

Charles Brocklebank for really 'taking off' with his writing and better listening in class.

##### *Kingfishers*

Rosemary Saunders for her concentration and hard work during Maths this week.

##### *Puffins*

Leon Holland-McGhee for persistent effort in all areas of the curriculum and a good attitude towards learning.

##### *Eagles*

Matti Clare for consistent good effort at all times.