

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 6th June	First day of Term 6 Switch Taster Session for Sept 2016 Reception Children 1.15pm-2.45pm
Wednesday 8th June	Leaver's Service Rehearsal for Yr 6s at Blackboys School at 9.05am
Thursday 9th June	Eagles Class Assembly at 9.05am—all welcome
Monday 13th June	Safety in Action at Bowles—Yr 6 Switch Taster Session for Sept 2016 Reception Children 1.15pm-2.45pm
Tuesday 14th June	Branching Out trip for Puffins Class
Wednesday 15th June	Chichester Cathedral Visit—Yr 6 TOP Play at UCTC 1pm-3pm
Thursday 16th June	Peacocks Class Assembly at 9.05am—all welcome TOP Sport at UCTC 1pm-3pm
Monday 20th June	Switch Taster Session for Sept 2016 Reception Children 1.15pm-2.45pm Primary Liaison Literacy Event at UCTC 3pm - 4:30 pm
Tuesday 21st June	Puffins Class Assembly at 9.05am—all welcome Year 6 Leaver's Celebration Service at Crowborough
Wednesday 22nd June	Safety in Awareness, Luxford Field, Uckfield Yrs 3 & 4
Thursday 23rd June	Alliance Multi Skills afternoon @ Framfield School tbc
Saturday 25th June	PTFA School Fayre 11am—2pm
Monday 27th June	Switch Taster Session for Sept 2016 R Pupils 1.15-2.45pm
Tuesday 28th June	Eagles Trip to Ashdown Forest
Wednesday 29th June	Kingfishers Class Assembly at 9.05am—all welcome
Friday 1st July	Sports Day—details to follow
Tuesday 5th July	Transition Day 9am-1.15pm
Thursday 7th July	Kingfishers Class trip to Herstmonceux
Thursday 14th July	Eagles & Class 4 to Ardingly for 'Connect with the Countryside'
Wednesday 20th July	Last Day of Term 6 — End of year assembly - All welcome
Thursday 21st July	INSET DAY
Friday 22nd July	INSET DAY

Framfield News Week Ending 27th May 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,
Another busy term has drawn to an end. We trust you will have an enjoyable and restful break.

Term 6 promises to be equally busy, particularly for the Year 6 pupils. We also have the wonderful **Summer Fayre on Saturday 24th June 11am to 2pm** which is our big fund raising event and always great fun. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

Evie Jarrett's Winning Story



We are proud to inform you that Evie has recently won a writing competition for which one of the judges was Michael Murpurgo. Evie wrote an open letter to her three year old sister Lydia and her winning entry was chosen from 800 entries. You can find out more on the Uckfield News website. Well done Evie!

Rounders

We are delighted that all Year 6 pupils took part in the Uckfield Primary School Rounders Competition. Although we came in last place, Mrs Kent

was delighted with everyone's team spirit and resilience.

Hastings Trip

Bobbie writes: "On 20th May **Eagles Class** went to Hastings for a school trip to learn about the castle and smugglers. We went with our buddies because they were going to the aquarium on the same day. We went on the Funicular railway to the top of the cliffs; here we completed a fun quiz on the castle and its history. After lunch we had great fun exploring the Smugglers Caves. It was dark and a little scary—some of the girls went to scare the teachers and then one of the smugglers banged on their cell door and scared them all! It was so funny."

Peacocks Class had a lovely day at Hastings too. They visited the Fisherman's Museum and the Blue Reef Aquarium. **Daisy** said: "My favourite sea creature was the Puffer fish because they blow up when they are cross." Lorraine said "I loved the tunnel because I had never been in one before and I could see all the fish."

French Trip

The joint French trip with Yr 6 Framfield and Blackboys pupils was a huge success—more details to follow in our next newsletter!

Volunteer car drivers

We have a lot of trips this term which require parental support with transport. Can we please ask you to ensure that you hand in copies of your current MOT and insurance documents to the School Office. Many thanks.

As literacy leader across the Federation, Mrs Clarke is keen to make an impact in raising further our English standards. In the second of her regular literacy columns, Mrs Clarke explains reading.....

Reading Is Our Thing!

1. **Use phonics first...** Help your child to learn phonic sounds as pure sounds - sss not suh. Be aware that some sounds, like sh in shop is one sound but two letters (digraph).
2. **Play games...** Use phonic flashcards to help children to read letter sounds and blend them together to read words. Use flashcards that encourage play to help your child to learn tricky words by sight. Tricky words are those words that cannot be worked out by sounding out - like 'said'.
3. **Listen to your child practise reading...** It's really important that your child reads aloud to you. Reading from a levelled reading scheme book, usually one that has come home from school, means there is built-in progression so your child can steadily get more confident as they move through the reading scheme.
4. **Use book talk...** Talking about stories and using story language helps to tune your child into reading. Talk about the author, illustrator, cover, the beginning, the end, words, sentences, features on the page, for example speech bubbles and pictures - it's 'book talk'.

5. **Check understanding...** Use the pictures to help understanding, but also show your child how you might be able to predict what might happen next in a story from the words and pictures. Try to guess the ending! What clues were there? Ask questions about the book.

Think Outside the Book!

Talk together. Older children continue to need opportunities to talk with you about what they are reading or their reading interests. They may also be interested in what you are reading. Talking gives you both a chance to share and recommend.

Read together. There is never an age when this is not an enjoyable and useful way to spend 10 minutes a day - even your 11 year old will still enjoy the sharing opportunity if it's on offer. It's a great idea to get your older children to read with younger brothers and sisters too.

Revisiting favourites. It's important for children to know that it's OK to revisit old favourites and memories - even if this may seem like 'easy reading' - there's no mad rush to keep moving on, and we all like the comfort of a favourite book sometimes.

Publish your own book - Why not as a family write your own books and publish them on the computer. Give your children ownership of their very own book.

Making choices. It's important to still visit book shops, libraries and places where your child can browse and chat with you about their interests. They'll start to prefer certain authors or series, or types of reading such as comics, magazines or websites, and with your encouragement, they can learn to make choices for themselves too.

Helpful websites:

<http://booksforkeeps.co.uk/>

<http://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

<http://www.firstnews.co.uk/>

<http://www.lovereadng4kids.co.uk/>

<http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

<https://new.eastsussex.gov.uk/libraries/>

Class Assemblies

The children have really enjoyed their topics this term and we warmly invite you to attend their Class Assembly to see what they have been learning about:

Eagles:	Thurs 9th June 9.05am
Peacocks	Thurs 16th June 9.05am
Puffins	Tues 21st June 9.05am
Kingfishers	Wed 29th June 9.05am

Effort Awards

Peacocks

13th May

Daisy—for working hard this week
Theo C—for progress in his reading

20th May

Sofia—for great home learning
Thomas H—for great Athletics learning at home

Kingfishers

13th May

Kayleigh—for her generally improved focus and behaviour which has resulted in some excellent work
Theo G—for his hard work and great attitude to learning

20th May

Saffy—for working so hard on her "Man on the Moon" diary
Elena—for writing such an excellent Mars explorer story

Puffins

13th May

Spencer M—for having a mature attitude to learning
Charlie—for writing a brilliant piece of descriptive writing

20th May

Chloe—for being focused and trying hard in all lessons
Julia—for always trying hard with her spellings and great presentation

Eagles

13th May

All Year 6 for an excellent attitude and effort during SATs week
Millie—for showing good manners

20th May

Maria—for consistently working hard in all lessons
Millie—for showing perseverance in Maths

Mathletics Champions

13th May: Ethan Hawkins

20th May: Thomas Horscroft