

Forge Wood Primary School

Newsletter

1 December 2016



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,



We would like to thank you all for helping to make Forge Wood Primary School's first term a very happy and memorable term. The children have already achieved so much and are showing their skills socially, physically and emotionally. We are looking forward to our Christmas events, especially the children's Christmas Nativity play.

Katharine Holman
Deputy Head



Night Time Story

Thank you to everyone who brought their children along to our night time story. The children had a great time and enjoyed experiencing night time at school.

Woodpecker Class' Trip

It was wonderful to see the children exploring nature and working together to build a camp fire. Their enthusiasm and knowledge was a pleasure to see you. The children's behaviour was also impeccable and all the staff felt extremely proud to be out with such respectful and enthusiastic children.



Forge Wood Development Project

We are very excited with the plans for our new building. The facilities and space will offer the children the opportunity to learn inside and outside in a purposeful and exciting environment. During the summer, ready for September 2017, we will be moving in to part of the new building while the rest of the building is finished over September and early October. From October half term (2017) we will be using the whole school building. As the build progresses we will keep you updated.

Outdoor P.E. kit

Please can we ask that all children have an outdoor P.E. kit, including tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirt. For more details of our PE kit please visit our school website.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<u>December 2016</u>	
7 th	7pm Prospective Open Evening for 2017
9 th	Post Box for Christmas Cards
12 th	Christmas lunch followed by Woodpeckers Christmas party
14 th	9.30am School Nativity
14 th	2.30pm – 8.00pm Parents Evening via appointments School will close early at 2.15pm
16 th	12.10pm End of Term
16 th	Christmas Fair 12.15-1.30pm
<u>January 2017</u>	
3 rd	Spring Term Begins

Was your child born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013?

If so then he or she is eligible to start school in September 2017. Apply online at www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions before Sunday 15th January 2017.

Tours for prospective parents 2017

We are holding open events on the following dates:

Monday 5th December 9.30am
Tuesday 6th December 9.30am
Wednesday 7th December 7pm
Friday 9th December 9.30am

Please feel free to pass this on to family and friends that may be interested.

Road Safety Week

On Thursday 24th November all the children took part in a local walk to help them learn to stay safe near roads. As well as crossing when they see the green man, the children looked for other safe places to cross the roads around our school.

Class Web Page

On our school website there is a special page for Woodpecker Class. We will continue to share photographs and information about some of the fantastic things the children have been learning in school. We have also added a few suggestions of websites that you may want to use at home to support your child's learning.

Children in Need



Thank you to everyone for your generous contributions for Children in Need. We raised £45.30.

Volunteers

Thank you to those parents who have already been in to help in school. We appreciate you giving up your time and it really does make a difference to the children. Thank you to all those parents who have offered help for next term; we look forward to seeing you in Woodpecker Class.

Torches and old mobile phones

Do you have a spare torch at home that you no longer need? If so, we would really appreciate it if you could donate it to Woodpecker Class.



We would also like old mobile phones for the children to use in their role play. If you have an old phone that no longer works, we would gratefully receive these too!

Celebrations from home

Thank you for sending in your WOW stars. We always enjoy hearing about the children's achievements at home. Please continue to send your stars in.

If your child attends a club and receives a certificate, badge or medal we would love to celebrate this in assembly. For example, your child might have received a swimming or gymnastics badge or been named player of the match during a football game. Please send this in with your child so the achievement can be shared and celebrated together.

Mrs Sargent

As you will all be aware, Mrs Sargent started her maternity leave a few weeks ago. We are very pleased to announce that Freya has arrived safely and mother and baby are doing well.



Nativity Play

Our Christmas Nativity will be take place on Wednesday 14th December at 9.30. Due to limited space we would ask that only 2 people attend to watch each child. Please can we also ask that no siblings attend this performance as it can be distracting for our performers. Thank you



Christmas Party

After eating their lunch on Monday 12th December, the children will be having a Christmas party in their classroom. During the afternoon children will take part in party games and activities. For Christmas lunch and their party, we would like to invite all children to make a Christmas hat at home and bring it to school on the morning of Monday 12th December. We look forward to seeing the children's hats.



Christmas Post Box

Our Christmas post-box will be out for the children to pop their Christmas cards in from Friday 9th December. Deliveries will take place from Monday 12th to Thursday 15th December.

