



Newsletter 6 – Friday 22nd November 2024

Welcome to our newsletter. The Nativity practices are in full swing - Christmas is coming!

Year 5 Conquer Bowles!

Year 5 had the most amazing time at Bowles this year! The weather was incredibly kind with the sun even making an appearance. All the children fully immersed themselves into each and every activity, learning new skills like skiing, bush craft, orienteering, archery, rock climbing and traversing. The Year 5s even developed existing skills such as teamwork and independence! 'Outstanding', 'legendary', '5 star' and 'epic' are just some of the words used by the children to describe Bowles. Since returning, the children have been reliving their amazing memories by creating a Bowles scrapbook. We look forward to inviting the year 5 families into school to view the scrapbook and many, many photos taken by our wonderful LPA staff who accompanied the children.



'Bowles was outstanding because we spent time with our friends and we were very brave trying new activities like skiing and rock climbing.' Jessica W



'In Bushcraft we had to collect a range of different sizes of sticks that we used to help build the fire. We learnt lots of different ways to start a fire and tested them out before getting to enjoy a toasted marshmallow to reward our hardwork.' Amara J



'I loved Bowles because we had more independence than ever before and we got to spend lots of time with our friends.' Josh B

'In archery we had to shoot a range of colours on the target to create a 'pizza'. E.g. if we hit yellow we got cheese!' Mabel D



'Bowles was amazing because we got to do lots of different activities that we may never have tried before.' William W



'Bowles was super fun and it helped me conquer my fear of heights. It also felt like a massive sleepover with all my friends,' Isaac T

Remembrance Sunday

On Sunday 11th November, ten of our Year 6 children attended the Remembrance Service at All Saints Church. Some of the children lay a wreath at the war memorial whilst others read poems written either by themselves or other Year 6 children. All the pupils showed themselves to be Respect Rangers throughout the service and carried out their roles incredibly well.

Frankie said, "It was an honour to lay the wreath. It made me feel respectful to all those who fought for us."

Eliza said, "I felt a bit nervous but it was a huge honour to read out a poem in front of everyone."



Community Assemblies

This week we have been lucky enough to welcome three visitors into our academy to lead community assemblies.

Richard Barefoot attended on Monday alongside his guide dog, Gene. Richard spoke to the children about his loss of vision and how being paired with a guide dog has changed his life for the better. The children had so many questions that Richard and Gene are planning on making a return visit!

Alex from Mid Sussex District Council visited on Tuesday to discuss our local nature reserve. He explained its history, the habitats that can be found within it and what work his team are doing to ensure its preservation.

Our pupil team of Phunky Food Ambassadors led by Caroline Cotton, Engagement and Development Co-ordinator from Phunky Foods, visited assembly on Wednesday to lead a 'Snack Attack' presentation. The children highlighted the sugar content in snacks such as milkshakes and chocolate bars and reminded us that we are a 'Healthy School' so snacks for breaktime should be fruit or vegetables wherever possible please.

We are so grateful to all our visitors for supporting us to learn together across our academy and within the wider community.



Rocking the Times Tables!

Year 3, 4 & 6 took part in the England Rocks Times Table Rockstars challenge this week. Well done to Zach Freeland-Downey, Jack Veysey and Eliza Hargreaves who topped the individual charts. Also well done to Ash Class who came in the top 7% of classes in the country.

LPA Over and Above

Jessica Hamer	Tilly Blanche
Aurora Balleny	Alexander Dymond
Benjamin Pembrey	Ed Hanid
Frankie Adams	Amber Sharpe
Poppy Dobson	Harriet Cooper
Harrison Ransley	Lydia Clay-Goard
Ivy Wylie	Lewis Glaister
Iris Cunningham-Clarke	Jacob King
Ru Elliott	Alice Lindfield
Tristan Wiltshire-Brown	Sophie Wooller
	Freddie Poulsen
	Finn de Ville

Well done to all of these Over and Above children who have been role models for our Ready, Respectful and Safe Behaviour Code this week.

PTA News

Thank you so much to everyone who attended our PTA meeting on Tuesday; we had a great turn out and it was fabulous to get such good feedback and discussions. Minutes will be sent out via ParentMail in due course.

A huge thank you must also go to Steve Coldwell and his team for an amazing first Toads Night. It was such a success and fun was had by all. Thanks also go to Andi for generously donating the space.

Upcoming events:

Wreath Making – 27th November

Lindfield Village Night – 3rd December

Christmas Fair – 7th December

Lights Trail – This exciting event will be coming back with a new twist and will run from **7th December to 28th December**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 25th Nov: Pupil School Photographs

Fri 29th Nov: CommuniTEA

Tues 3rd & Wed 4th Dec: Early Years Nativity

Tues 10th & Wed 11th Dec: Year 1 Nativity

Thurs 12th & Fri 13th Dec: Year 2 Nativity

Mon 16th Dec: School Christmas Lunch

Wed 18th & Thurs 19th Dec: KS2 Carol Concerts

Fri 20th Dec: Last day of term

Mon 6th Jan: Spring term begins