

**Attendance: Year to Date %**

Catkins: 95.89%

Willow: 96.15%

Beech: 95.56%

Holly: 90.80%



Well Done to Willow Class!

**Happy Half-Term break!**

We've had a very busy term with lots of events and activities and the children, staff, (and parents!) deserve a week off to enjoy the sunshine and recharge their batteries ready for an extremely busy Term 6!

Have a lovely week and we look forward to seeing you again on the 6<sup>th</sup> June.



**Football Tournament and Football Kit**

On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May, the school team took part in the Alfriston School football tournament in Seaford. The team looked great in their new football kit! They came a creditable third in their group, played well, and generally had a good time. The children were a credit to the school. Well done!



**Violin Assembly**

The children currently learning the violin (Emerald, Alex, Flint and Maisy), together with Mr Giles their teacher, gave a special assembly to the school on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May to encourage other children to consider learning the violin. They performed brilliantly, playing solos and group

pieces. We were proud of them because they overcame their nerves and entertained us brilliantly!

If any children would like to learn the violin there are letters available from the school office. Lessons take place in the school hall on Friday afternoons.

### **Catkins Café**

Following on from our café focus which began with a visit to the café at Southover Gardens, Catkins class have been learning how to use money by 'buying' their snack every morning. Our maths focus on money, measuring and counting culminated this week in cooking food for the parents and then serving them in our Catkins Café. The money we raised here is going to Starfish Malawi. Thank you to all the parents for their support.

### **Bikability**

From Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> of May Year 6 started Bikeability with Bob and Diana, (who were our leaders) and helped us on the way. All of us passed level 1 but don't know yet if we passed level 2. It was really fun and hard (at the same time).

Thomas Moore and Grace Potterton

### **Whole School Walk**

A plea from Mrs Filtness, please return you completed permission slips as a matter of urgency! Many thanks.



This link is now available at the bottom of the homepage on our website. It would really help our school if you would join and nominate us as your chosen cause. You can find our school by typing 'Firle' into the 'Causes' search at the top of the homepage. The instructions are easy to follow. Then:

- You buy something at an online shop via TheGivingMachine.
- Your purchase automatically generates a sales commission
- As a charity and not-for-profit organisation, they turn the commission you've generated into a charitable donation and pass it on to our school. Thank you!



### **Maths Passport Workshop**

We will be running a Maths Passport Workshop on 20<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm for any parents/carers to attend to find out more about the new Maths Passports we have introduced across the school this term. You will be able to explore the materials, learn more about the rationale and ask questions. Please give your name to the office if you would like to attend.

### Website Film

At our Parent Forum meetings it has been suggested that we could make a short film for our website - to give prospective parents a sense of what it is to attend Firle School. Any such venture would of course be considered with strict adherence to Safeguarding guidelines and pupil welfare. If you would be prepared to help form a working party to explore the potential of this idea, please inform the school office. Thank you!

### Registration

We have reviewed our Attendance Policy, which has now been ratified by Governors. We would like to clarify the following information regarding registration to your attention:

Morning registration starts at 9am and the registers are closed at 9.05am. Pupils arriving during registration will receive L for late before closure of register. Pupils arriving after 9.05am when registers have closed will sign in late at the office and receive a mark which denotes 'Late after the register is closed'.

Afternoon registration starts at 1.15 pm and the registers are closed at 1.20 pm.

We would like to thank you for getting the children to school ready to start at 9am.



### Nut Free School

Please remember we are a 'Nut Free School' to ensure the health and well-being of children with nut allergies. Please ensure that any food sent to school for packed lunches or Bake Sales etc. is nut free. Thank you for your support!



### Free Concert

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May Lewes, Glynde and Beddingham Brass Band will be performing at the All Saints Centre, Friars Walk, Lewes

## Dates for your diary.....

5<sup>th</sup> June INSET Day

6<sup>th</sup> June First Day of Term 6

8<sup>th</sup> June Whole School Walk to Firle Beacon

14<sup>th</sup> June Hindleap Warren trip talk

17<sup>th</sup> June (Saturday) Firle Vicarage Open Garden Teas

20<sup>th</sup> June 2pm Maths Passport Workshop

23<sup>rd</sup> June whole school trip to Herstmonceux Science Centre

27<sup>th</sup> June Healthy Eating Talk for Willow and Holly

27<sup>th</sup> June Football tournament at Laughton

30<sup>th</sup> June Willow Class Bake Sale

30<sup>th</sup> June Sponsored fundraising event on school field for sports/play equipment

- 3<sup>rd</sup> July 9am Parent Forum in the hall
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July (afternoon) Sports Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> July (afternoon) Reserve Sports Day
- 7<sup>th</sup> July Patina Moving On Parade (Year 6)
- 14<sup>th</sup> July Firle School Summer Party - Selmeston Village Hall from 3.30pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> July Individual Pupil Reports out to parents/carers
- 17<sup>th</sup> July 3.15-4.30pm Parent drop-in session to discuss reports and meet new teachers
- 21<sup>st</sup> July last - day of Term 6
- 4<sup>th</sup> September - first day of new school year
- 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> November Holly Class Trip to Hindleap Warren

Details of these events will follow.....

**Children mentioned in our Golden Book and in Celebration Assemblies:**

**DATE: 18<sup>th</sup> May**



- Catkins:** Ollie - for thinking for himself and working independently.  
Bea - for consistently working on her challenges and for being a good sport
- Willow:** Georgie has a really sensible attitude to every aspect of school life and is very kind to other children.  
Emerald is working really hard on her maths
- Beech:** Noah B - for an excellent day on Wednesday, staying on task and working hard.  
Fergus - for making an excellent effort on his Narnia story and working independently
- Holly:** All of year 6 for excellent effort in their SATs!

**DATE: 11<sup>th</sup> May**

- Catkins:** All of Catkins class for being brilliant waiting staff at Catkins Café!
- Willow:** All of year 2 for working so hard on their SATs tests!
- Beech:** Flint - for having such a great day on Wednesday and working hard on his writing.  
Jayem - for improving his handwriting this week and working hard on his presentation
- Holly:** Jorji - for an excellent attitude and progress in all her work  
Mali - for very good progress in her spelling

A photograph of the children mentioned in the Golden Book and Celebration Assemblies is on display in the main reception. If you would like a copy of the photo, please ask at the school office.