

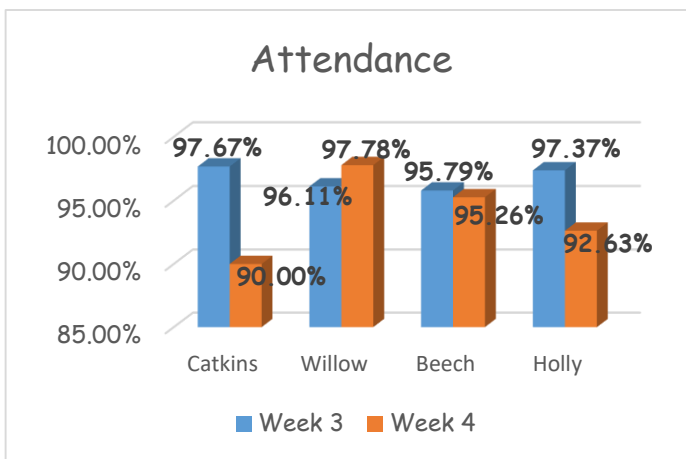
Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a really busy couple of weeks and we are very appreciative of all your support with the various events that have been going on. It was so lovely to see so many of you on our walk on Tuesday. The next 3 weeks are incredibly busy.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Catkins, Willow and Holly.

Our school target this year is 96.5%. Please can you make sure that your child is in school for 9.00 a.m. as a late registration affects their classes' attendance figures. Thank you



GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to the following children who have been mentioned in our Golden Book, which is shared in our Celebration Assembly.

20th June 2019

Catkins	Levon for working so hard on number bonds to 10 Shea for great progress in writing especially handwriting and spelling
Beech	Kai and Bea - enthusiasm and an excellent attitude to work during our 'Weslandia' topic morning
Holly	Lauren for excellent progress in writing and having a great attitude to learning Edie for her fantastic work on RE day

27th June 2019

Catkins	All Reception children for an impressive effort on their first whole school walk
Willow	Ollie H - fantastic design for a good sculpture! Detailed and well thought out! Ida - enthusiastic and hard working. She strives for her best work in every lesson!
Beech	Alex for fantastic effort with all his work, well done! Monty W for a positive attitude to every lesson, a great example to all
Holly	Lucy for showing wonderful respect for our new playground reflection space. Fergus for his excellent attitude to learning, asking good questions and setting a good example to the younger children.

Diary JUNE

28th Sports day
Catkins Bake Sale

JULY

4th KS1 & EYFS trip to Charleston House.
5th Yr 6 Patina Parade
9th Yr 6 Leavers service at Lancing College
12th **FoFS Summer Event**
17th KS1 Glynde Fun Day
19th Leavers Service
Last day of Term

COULD YOU BE A GOVERNOR FOR OUR SCHOOL?

As a federation, our governing board is responsible for both Firle and Laughton Primary Schools. We want to ensure there is equal representation from both schools on the board and are looking for someone from Firle to join us. School governors take part in deciding what the school priorities are and help support the school leadership in reaching their goals. The role does require commitment but the return is knowing you are helping to make things work and supporting our school to improve. You don't need to be an expert in education or have a teaching background. You need a willingness to use your skills to work with the other governors to support and develop the federation and as such, our children. We need a governor that is able to balance different views and be collaborative when making decisions. Training is provided and new governors are given a mentor. There are a number of different roles we are required to fill on our governing board. I currently hold the role of parent governor for Firle and we need to fill a vacancy for the role of co-opted governor, which can be a parent or carer. A parent governor is voted in by parents and carers and a co-opted governor is 'co-opted' by the governors without election. If you'd like to find out more I'm happy to chat with you to give you more information. If you do not think it's the right role for you but you know someone else in our community that might be willing to volunteer, please pass this message on and ask them to contact me or Mrs West.

Debra Vice-Holt

SCHOOL DINNER ACCOUNTS

Please can you ensure that all lunch is up-to-date. Chartwells are unable to operate on a credit basis and parents will be asked to provide a pack lunch for their child if the account is not settled by the end of each week. All outstanding lunch money needs to be paid by the 12th July.

KS1 MATHS WORKSHOP

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the infant parent's maths workshop, led by Helen Hackett. We have had some really positive feedback about the afternoon and hope that it has helped parents to understand more about the mastery approach and the way we teach maths now across the federation.

WHOLE SCHOOL WALK

We had a fabulous day on Tuesday walking up the South Downs, having a picnic lunch at the top and then heading back to the school field for a celebratory ice lolly. We were so proud of the children for their perseverance and resilience to complete the 6.4 miles!

A big thank you to Mrs Filtness for organising.



PATINA

The children in Year 6 will be parading through the streets of Lewes next Friday in their 'Moving On' Parade. They will be joining lots of schools from the local area in celebrating their time at primary school. This year the theme is children's literacy and Laughton and Firle School have the book 'Gangsta Granny'. Parents of Year 6 children should have received a separate letter regarding timings etc. Many thanks to all our parent volunteers who have been in to school to help make the structures and outfits, they are going to look fantastic.

OUR NEW REFLECTION SPACE

A huge thank you to everyone that helped to create this new space, either through donations or help on the day. We had a wonderful morning of clearing, making and creating to transform the space in the playground, behind the train. As well as parents, Goldcliff Nursery, Staverton Nursery and Paradise Park have all contributed plants and/or garden furniture. If you have not seen the space yet, please come and take a look when you get the chance. If anyone is able to take a few minutes to weed the pots and beds at drop off or pick up time, please let us know.

Thank you, also, to Paul Smith from Barcombe Nursery for chipping the buddleia.

If anyone were able to take a bag of garden rubbish for their garden bins that would be great. It is currently outside Holly class window.



Finally, we have an unclaimed screwdriver and hammer left from the morning.

EMAILS

Most of our letters to parents and carers are now sent electronically. Please check your emails regularly. If you are not receiving correspondence from us, please let Mrs Horan or Ms Ness know.

PRE SCHOOL VISITS

Mrs Fitzpatrick has visited the pre- schools to meet the new Reception children for September 2019 and they have had their first taster session in school, which went really well. She is now busy carrying out home visits to meet all of the children individually.

FIRLE TENNIS CLUB

In early 1980 a tennis court was built in a corner of Firle Park for the use of residents of Firle and the surrounding villages. Firle Tennis Club is a small, friendly club and would like to encourage people living in Firle, Glynde and Beddingham to become members. Anyone wishing to join the Club can pick up an Application Form from Firle Post Office or from Carro Wolstenholme (01273 858225). Annual membership (which runs from 1st May) is £30.00 per adult, £15 per junior and £70 for a family.

Players use the court at their own risk.

If you require any more details, please contact the Secretary - Annie Pile anniepile@hotmail.com

LEWES ATHLETIC CLUB SUMMER CAMPS

Each year, in August, the club organises a week long Summer Camp for young people usually aged between 7 and 11 (Yrs 3-6). The date for 2019 has been set for the week starting Monday 5th August until Friday 9th August. There will be the opportunity to Run, Jump and Throw all week long.

Each event is coached by the club's qualified athletics coaches with the opportunity to, partake in activities such as discus, long jump, pole vault, sprinting and many more.

Camp t-shirts and drawstring bags are included for everyone

Activities take place from 10.00am to 3.00pm each day and take place at the Lewes Athletic Track, Mountfield Road, Lewes, BN7 2XG

Parents can get more information on the Lewes Athletics Club website/what we do/Summer camp page or email me on summercamp@lewesac.co.uk.

FRIENDS OF FIRLE

Friends of Firle School AGM

Emily Bailey and Catherine Moore would like to thank everyone for all the support they have had as the Chairs of Friends of Firle School for the past 4 years. We are very excited to appoint a whole new committee and are actively looking for a few more Class Representatives to complete the team. We were overwhelmed with lovely messages, flowers and bubbly! Thank you.

Please see minutes attached for details and look out for more exciting plans!

£4,000 has been approved from Friends of Firle School for the development of infant area, including play equipment!

Look out for all the exciting plans for Cherry Class and the outdoor learning spaces!

Catkins Bake Sale TODAY in the school playground after sports day

FRIENDS OF FIRLE DIARY DATES 2019

CLASS BAKE SALE June 28th - Catkins class

SUMMER EVENT Friday 12th July *straight after school*

EVERYONE is invited to come and celebrate the year, welcome new people, let your hair down and say goodbye to Year 6.