

20<sup>th</sup> April 2017

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## Upcoming School Events

Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	8.30am – 8.45am	FoAS Shake Up, Wake Up
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	4.30pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	All Day	Fishing & Rural Activities Day, Year 5
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	9am	Swift Conservation Project Update
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	2pm	May Day Picnic
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	All Day	School Closed – Bank Holiday

## Community Events

Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	4pm	Archway Choirs Concert, Eastbourne
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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you all had a wonderful break over Easter and are now ready for a busy term.

## Attendance

Our target is 96%.

Week Beginning	Attendances	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	Lates
27 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	92.82%	6.17%	1.01%	0.51%

## Clubs

A separate letter regarding clubs for this term was sent out at the start of the week. We still have spaces available in most clubs so please return your reply slip to the school office if you would like your child/children to participate in any of them.

## Swift Conservation Project

Next Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, Reverend Peter Blee will be joining us for celebration assembly to update us on the swift conservation project. All friends and family are welcome to join us.

## May Day Picnic

The FoAS are organising a May Day picnic on the Tye next Friday afternoon, 28<sup>th</sup> April. It sounds like it will be a lovely afternoon with lots of activities to take part in including Maypole dancing and stoolball. We will be taking the children to the Tye, where they will meet parents & carers to take part in the afternoon's activities. A separate letter was sent home last term with all the details.

## School Lunches

Invoices for school lunches have gone home in book bags today. Please can they be paid by next Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> April. Thank you.

## Healthy Meal Ideas

To continue our work around being healthy we thought it would be a nice idea to publish a healthy meal or snack recipe in the newsletter each week that has been provided by the children. If your child has a recipe they would like to share can they please send it in to the school office. To date we haven't received any!

## Charity Walk

Three of our pupils, Eva, Lucy & Nell, took part on a massive walk of half of The South Downs Way (that's 50 miles!) to raise money and awareness for The Brain Tumour Charity, a charity that has hugely supported their family over the past few years. They started the walk a couple of weekends before the Easter holidays and completed it over the first few days of the Easter holidays, with many friends and family joining them along the way. Mum, Bron, and Dad, Andy, walked the full 100 miles from Winchester to Eastbourne. The family are thrilled with their efforts. Eva said, "It was very hard but we did have an amazing time on the walk and we raised lots of money for The Brain Tumour Charity". They had hoped to raise £1000 but have smashed that target by raising £5110 to date. Amazing! Well done to all of them. There is still time to sponsor them if you would like to, please visit <http://www.justgiving.com/owner-email/pleasesponsor/cheethams-southdownsway> or contact their Mum, Bron, 07814 027955.

## Active Kids Vouchers

Many thanks for all of the Active Kids vouchers that you have been sending in to school. The Active Kids scheme that Sainsbury's operates each year enables schools and clubs to exchange vouchers for sports and cooking equipment. This scheme provides many additional items for our sports cupboard and playground activities. Please continue to bring your vouchers to the school office or place them in the collecting box within the entrance lobby.

## News From The Friends of Alfriston School (FoAS) Email [foaschool@gmail.com](mailto:foaschool@gmail.com)

**Forest School** – our Forest School sessions, together with the Sussex Wildlife Trust, start tomorrow, after school from 3.45pm - 5pm. The cost will be £5 each session (i.e. £30 in total per child). The flyer was emailed out last term and a copy is on the FoAS noticeboard in the playground.

**Car Boot Sale** - the car boot season is nearly upon us, so if you had a spring clean over the Easter holidays, please do donate your unwanted items to the Friends of Alfriston School. We are looking for books, DVDs, toys, clothes, unwanted presents ...anything that you think might sell at a car boot sale (children or adult items, doesn't matter which). Please bring donations to the school, or speak to Yvonne in the playground to arrange a collection from home. If you would like to volunteer as part of the car boot sale team, please let us know (Sunday mornings in Polegate). Thank you.

**Wake Up, Shake Up** – the first session for this will take place on the playground from 8.30am – 8.45am tomorrow, 21<sup>st</sup> April. We look forward to seeing you all join in.

Yours sincerely,



Lindsey Hudson – Headteacher

## Community Events

**Archway Choirs Concert** – Eastbourne and Seaford Archway Choirs, along with Chyngton School and St John's Meads School Choirs are holding a concert on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm at the Royal Hippodrome Theatre, Eastbourne. Tickets cost £12.50 each and £8 for under 12s. Tickets can be obtained from [www.royalhippodrome.com](http://www.royalhippodrome.com) Seaford Archway Choir is the choir that Mrs Bliss (Ruby Class TA) belongs to!