

## Arunside Announcements Week Commencing Monday 16th October 2023

### JL7SPORT Half-Term Football Sessions

Mr Lindsey will be offering two football sessions to those who are looking to improve their footballing skills, have fun and enjoy some time with their friends during the October half term.

The sessions are offer to:

- Year group: 1,2 and 3 on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October from 1:00 - 3:00PM
- Year group: 4,5 and 6 on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October from 1:00 - 3:00pm

Each sessions will cost £10 per day and bookings can be made by contacting Mr Lindsey on tel: 07749342474 or Email- [JL7SPORT@gmail.com](mailto:JL7SPORT@gmail.com)

### Starting School – September 2024

The application process for children due to start school in September 2024 opened on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023. As in recent years, parents are being encouraged to apply for their child's school place using the online system at [www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions). Applications must be submitted by the **national closing date of Monday 15 January 2024**. For parents who do not have access to the Internet at home, free access has been arranged at all West Sussex libraries and Children and Family Centers.

### Parent Consultation Evenings

We have set up the two parent consultation evening events and you will find these on MCAS.

The dates available are:

**Wednesday 1st November (late meetings)**

**Thursday 2nd November (early meetings)**

***If you previously booked onto the sessions that were incorrectly showing on MCAS last week, please can you rebook as these appointments have now been deleted. We apologise for any in convenience caused***

### Science Selfie

Science Selfie is back for the October half term! Please take a photo of your child doing something science-y over the break and email it in, with the subject **#ScienceSelfie**, to: [scienceselfie@arunside.school](mailto:scienceselfie@arunside.school). There will be a winner selected from Early Years, Key Stage One, Upper Key Stage Two and Lower Key Stage Two, with exciting Science prizes! The deadline for the photos will **be Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**. We can't wait to see your #ScienceSelfies!

### Year 6 EVACUATION DAY

As part of our History topic on World War 2, we have arranged for the Year 6 children to take part in an Evacuee Day to experience what other children may have felt whilst being evacuated during the war.

**Our Evacuation Days will take place on:**

*Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 for **Lime Class** and*

*Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023 for **Rowan Class***

We will be having lunch when we return to school. Families of children entitled to free school meals can order packed lunches from Easy Lunch via Ellen Gardner in the school office but the deadline for doing this is 20<sup>th</sup> October.

**Voucher Scheme – October Half Term 2023**

Utilising funding from the governments' Household Support Fund, West Sussex County Council is pleased to confirm that families with Free School Meal eligible children will once again be entitled to a voucher for each FSM child during the upcoming October half-term. **There will be a £10.00 voucher per child for the week.** For children who are not eligible for FSMs but whose families need urgent support with food, West Sussex are operating the Community Hub where help can be sought.

**Key Dates for the Diary**

- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Open Afternoon (1.15pm) for our EYFS in-take September 2024
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Open Morning (9.15am) for our EYFS in-take September 2024
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Year 3&4 Harvest Assembly (09.10) and Y1&2 (14.45)
- Half Term – 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> October
- Year 6 Transition to Year 7 – Application Deadline 31st October 2023
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Parents Evening (Late: 5.50 – 8.00pm)
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Parents Evening (Early: 3.45 – 5.55pm)
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Book Fair (different nights for different Year groups, timings TBC)