



Arunside Announcements Week Commencing Monday 20th May 2024

Little Big Sing

Arunside were due to host the 'Little Big Sing', but sadly other schools have not signed up and so the event has been cancelled. However, as the Year 2's have learnt their songs, they will be performing them to the other classes shortly.

Year 5 - Shakespeare Rocks Production - Key Date:

- Monday 8th July Tech rehearsal 9-11.30am
- Tuesday 9th July Dress rehearsal 2-3pm
- Wednesday 10th July First performance 2-3pm
- Thursday 11th July Second performance 2-3pm
- Thursday 11th July Third performance 6-7pm

Sponsored Spell

In liaison with the PTA, the school are going to run the sponsored spell again this summer. We will shortly be sending the children home with some spellings for them to learn over May half term and then they will have their spelling test for these words on Friday 7th June. The letter with the spellings will be sent home shortly.

Sussex Sharks – T20 – Discounted Tickets!

The new cricket season is well underway and it has been a good start to the season for Sussex Cricket, who currently sit top of Division 2 in the Vitality County Championship!

Sussex Sharks begin their Vitality Blast T20 campaign on Friday 31st May, where they will host the Gloucestershire Gladiators at the 1st Central County Ground starting at 7.00pm. Led by a new T20 Captain, England star Tymal Mills, it promises to be an exciting competition and the team are offering a 20% discount off tickets for this game. To purchase a ticket please visit their [website](#) and enter the following code at the checkout: WESTSHARKS20.

Elmer Day 2024

On Friday 24th May, EYFS and KS1 will be taking part in Elmer Day to celebrate 35 years of Elmer the Elephant. During the morning the children will learn about Elmer and why David McKee first created him, as well as doing some fun Elmer related activities. More information about Elmer Day 2024 can be found here. <https://www.elmer.co.uk/elmer-day/>

Baby Goldsmith has arrived!

We are delighted to be able to share the news that Mr and Mrs Goldsmith's bay son was born on 9th May and that Mother and baby both doing well.

Inset Day 2024/2025

The following Inset dates have been entered in to the school diary for the next academic year:

- Monday 2nd September 2024
- Monday 4th November 2024
- Monday 6th January 2025



- Monday 24th February 2025 (TBC)
- Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Free School Meal Vouchers – May Half-Term

The West Sussex County Council is pleased to confirm that families with children eligible for Free School Meal (FSM) will once again be entitled to one £10.00 voucher per FSM child during the May school holiday. These have now been issued through the school. For children who are not FSM eligible but whose families need urgent support with food we would advise that the Community Hub is continuing to operate.

Horsham Parade

Year 5 are once again excited to be participating in the Horsham Parade. The theme this year will be 'The Olympics'. The event will take place on Sunday 7th July, with participants arriving at the assembly point at the Drill Hall Car Park, Denne Road at 10.30am. The parade itself will start at 11am, making its way through the town, to the finishing point at Horsham Park, for an approximate arrival of 12-12.30pm. Parents/carers will need to pick their child up from Horsham Park, but families are also welcome to join the general public as they watch the parade through the streets of Horsham.

As in previous years, we have spaces for 30 Year 5 children to participate in the parade itself and will allocate these on a first come first served basis. If your child would like to take part, you will be asked to request a place through the MCAS app which opened on Wednesday 15th May. If spaces remain after 23rd May, these will be offered to our Y6 pupils.

Week 6 – Fun with Words

Can you think of a Knock, Knock joke?

Key Dates for the Diary

- 20th May – Year 2 Little Big Sing
- 24th May – Sports Day (7th June Reserve Sports Day)
 - KS2: 9.15-11.45 - Parents to arrive at 9.10 am
 - KS1: 1.15-3.15 - Parents to arrive at 1.10 pm
- 27th – 31st May Half-Term
- 3rd June – Inset Day
- 6th June – Class Photos
- 19th June – EYFS New in-take Morning
- 26th June – Y3 International Morning
- 26th June - Y2 visit to Preston Manor
- 1st – 4th July Book Fair (after school)
- 5th July – PTA Summer Fair

PTA Messages and Dates for your diary:

Summer Fete - Teddy Tombola

If you are having a Spring sort through your soft toys, the PTA would like you to consider donating good quality, clean, reusable toys for their upcoming Summer Fete tombola stalls. Donations can be left at the school office, marked for the PTA's attention.

