



Arunside Announcements Week Commencing Monday 16th September 2024

After-School Clubs

We are pleased to let you know that the places requested for the teacher-led after-school clubs have now been allocated and with the exception of Forest School and Multisports, clubs will start week commencing Monday 16th September and run until week ending Friday 13th December. Forest School after-school club will not start until Tuesday 1st October and Multisports will start on Friday 27th September. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. Collection of children at the end of clubs will be on the back playground.

We are currently showing spaces in the following clubs:

- Young Voices
- Latin
- Eco
- Forest School and
- Sixers

To request a place in one of these clubs, please simply email comms@arunside.school. Parents may also like to know that with regards to our external providers, Jake also has spaces on his Thursday Football club for Years 1-3. Please contact Jake direct on Tel: 07749342474 or email JL7SPORT@outlook.com and Aspire Ballet have spaces. Eve can be contacted on Tel: 074977700747.

To secure the place offered on the teacher-led after-school clubs, payments are requested on the MCAS App. All payments must be received by Friday 27th September 2023, and any place that has not paid for by this date will be reallocate to another child on the waiting list.

Summer Reading Challenge

We are delighted to congratulate Clover class who have won the Summer Reading Challenge this time around as they returned the most challenges. We do hope that they enjoy their film afternoon with snacks!

Meet the Teacher

We remind you of the 'Meet the Teacher' session being held on Monday 16th September (with the exception of Year 5, whose sessions will be on Thursday 19th). Each session will last 20-30 minutes and will start at 3.45pm, 4.30pm and 5.15pm. As **EYFS** have already had an opportunity to meet their teachers at the very start of term, they are **not** included in these sessions.

Year 6 – Secondary School Places

We have been asked to make parents aware that applications for secondary school places in West Sussex for September 2025 are now open. The easiest way to apply is online via the West Sussex [website](#). The process is quick and simple to do, and you will receive an automatic confirmation when your application has been submitted. Applications close on **Thursday 31 October 2024** and it is vital that applications are made on time for the best chance of being offered one of your preferred school.

Horsham Rugby Club – School's Saturday – 21st October

Horsham Rugby Club are delighted to announce their first ever 'School's Saturday' on Saturday 21st September. There is a free ticket available to every primary school child in Horsham so that families can enjoy an afternoon of fun rugby activities, followed by a standout fixture in the calendar, the Horsham Men's First XV v Tunbridge Wells RFC.



The tickets, which have been distributed to the children, will offer attendees food & drink at members prices; a free tour of the club facilities; an opportunity to meet and chat with both team players and management and, when registered, will enter families into a raffle to win a free HRUFC match shirt!

Alongside the above, event sponsors 'Sports Stars UK' will be hosting a selection of fun coaching sessions prior to kick off where children of all ages can learn new skills or develop their existing rugby skills. For more information about Sports Stars UK, please visit <https://www.sportsstarsuk.com>. We hope you will be able to make use of your ticket.

Messages from the PTA

🌸 Back to School Picnic! 🌸

We are excited to welcome you to our Back to School Picnic to celebrate the start of another fantastic school year! 🍷

Date: Friday, 20th September
Time: 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM
Location: School grounds
Entry: FREE for all!

What's in Store:

- 🎵 Live music by Tim Newman to set the perfect mood
- 🍔 BBQ and Licensed Bar
- 🥋 A thrilling Martial Arts demonstration by Fortitude Taekwondo Academy
- 🧺 Bring your picnic blanket and favourite snacks!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- THE LAST DAY TO PRE-ORDER YOUR FOOD: WEDNESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER!

Pre-order here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/arunsideprimary>

- You are welcome to bring your own picnic along
 - We are kindly asking for cake donations for the Refreshments stall, these can be dropped off on the morning of the picnic.
 - Bringing your own alcohol onto school premises is strictly PROHIBITED and could result of your exclusion from the event!
 - Please note that the school grounds are a NO SMOKING OR VAPING area.
- Kindly respect this policy for the safety and well-being of everyone attending.

Volunteers Needed! 🙋🙋

We need your help to make this event a success! If you or a family member are available to help at the Bar, BBQ or Refreshments, we'd love your support. Please get in touch to sign up by emailing pta@arunside.school or follow the link <https://volunteersignup.org/QCYEX>



Come along for an afternoon of fun, food, and entertainment. This is a great chance for students, parents, and teachers to reconnect, meet new friends, and start the school year with a bang!

We can't wait to see you there!

Key Dates for the Diary

- Sunday 15th September - [Horsham Riverside Walk](#)
- Monday 16th September – Meet the Teacher (Except Year 5, whose session is Thursday 19th September). There are no sessions being held for EYFS families
- Friday 20th September – PTA Back to School Picnic
- Tuesday, 24th September – PTA Annual General Meeting at 7pm – School ICT Suite
- Friday 11th October – PTA Firework Display
- Monday 14th October – School Photos (individual)
- Monday 14th October – Deadline for the return of the children's Xmas4Schools Artwork
- Tuesday 15th October – Open Day Tours for EYFS in-take September 2025 9.30 – 11.00am
- Thursday 17th October – Open Day Tours for EYFS in-take September 2025 1.00 – 2.30pm
- Tuesday 22nd October – Harvest Festival (Y3&4 at 9.30 and Y1&2 at 2.30pm)
- Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November – **HALF TERM**
- Monday 4th November – Inset Day.